

**FOR THE ATTENTION OF EDA PARTICIPATING MEMBER STATES' NATIONAL DEFENCE
INDUSTRY ASSOCIATIONS (pMS NDIAs) AND AEROSPACE AND DEFENCE INDUSTRIES
ASSOCIATION OF EUROPE (ASD)**

In the framework of the study commissioned by the European Defence Agency (EDA) on the European Defence Standard Reference System (EDSTAR), we are pleased to invite you and your members to participate to the first consultation through an online survey.

This survey includes seven sections and aims to collect information about needs, expectations, involvement and lessons learnt regarding EDSTAR's management, maintenance, content and use; and to investigate how useful EDSTAR and its content are for targeted stakeholders, especially for procurement, capability development and interoperability.

We would be grateful for your perspective on these topics, which will provide crucial input for our work. You can access the online survey [here](#) (**password**: #EDSTARisborn), which is open until the **16th March 2021**.

Respondents may wish to remain anonymous, providing only their country and sector of activity, or instead may opt to provide their full contact information, which will be processed in line with GDPR (please see « Privacy » section at the beginning of the survey). CEIS-Avisa Partners will conduct follow-up interviews with a selection of stakeholders to further refine the findings of this survey.

Should you have any question regarding the survey or the study, please contact CEIS' PO: Florence FERRANDO [florence.ferrando@avisa-partners.com].