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INVITATION TO PILOT WEBINAR ON “EUROPEAN DEFENCE STANDARDISATION”, VIA WEBEX – 15 MARCH 2022

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I am pleased to invite the representatives from Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Europe (ASD-STAN), European Committee for Standardisation - European Committee for Electrotechnical Standardization (CEN-CENELEC), European Telecommunications Standards Institute (ETSI), European Organisation for Civil Aviation Equipment (EUROCAE), Organisation for Joint Armament Cooperation (OCCAR) and The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) to attend the **PILOT WEBINAR ON “EUROPEAN DEFENCE STANDARDISATION”**, which will be held on **15 March 2022**. The virtual event will take place **via WEBEX** video teleconference, starting at **13h30**.

Above mentioned invited Organisations and Institutions are encouraged to designate their experts having an interest in EDA defence standardisation training. Application should be gathered in a batch by EDSMG representatives to EDA dedicated mailbox for registration: edawebinarstan2022@eda.europa.eu and to custodian CDR Nikolaos MYRIOUNIS GRC (N) n.miriounis@hndgs.mil.gr¹ **at the latest by 01 March 2022 at 16h00 CET**.

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The details for participation in the pilot webinar on “European Defence Standardisation” and the event draft Agenda are here as annexes 1 and 2, respectively.

DETAILS FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE PILOT WEBINAR ON “EUROPEAN DEFENCE STANDARDISATION” (15 MARCH 2022)

1. The application of qualitative defence and civil standards are essential for the development of the interoperable capabilities needed to bolster EU readiness and responsiveness. In this, strengthening education and training of EDS Community is of the utmost importance.
2. According to the European Defence Standardisation Strategy (EDSS), one of the major challenges in European Defence Standardisation is the lack of awareness on the potential of the European Defence Standardisation process.
3. Awareness regarding European Defence Standardisation for participating Member States (pMS) and their standardisation-related stakeholders (knowledge access, use, sharing, promotion) needs to be promoted. In light of this, the European Defence Standardisation Committee (EDSC) defined as a priority the increased education and training to improve mutual understanding across EU's entire defence standardisation community, including their standardisation related stakeholders.
4. To meet this requirement, in the framework of the European Defence Standardisation Management Group (EDSMG), and under the custodianship of the EL/HNDGS, the pilot webinar on the European Defence Standardisation has been introduced. The pilot webinar will be conducted on **15 MARCH 2022**.
5. On completion of the pilot webinar participants will:
 - a. Improve their knowledge on European Defence Standardisation (EDS) Definitions, Governance and Activities;
 - b. Be familiar with EU legislation on Defence procurement and the application of the related standard EN 16341 “Selection of Standards and Standard-like documents for Defence Products and Services – Order of preference”;
 - c. Acquire information Civil Standards and their application/use in the defence sector;
 - d. Be able to access and promote European Defence Standardisation Reference System (EDSTAR);
 - e. Be familiar with the ways of collaboration of EU and national defence standards organizations with civil SDOs.

6. The pilot webinar is offered, first and foremost, to standardisation stakeholders supporting European defence capability development such as: members from pMS; EU institutions and bodies; EC; EDA; EUMS; European Standardization Organisations (ESOs); National Standards Development Organisations (SDOs); International Defence Standards Development Organisations (NATO); International Standards Development Organisations such as International Organisation for Standardization (ISO); Industry-SMEs; R&T-academia. Additionally, it is addressed to National representatives in EDA and EEAS Project Teams and national defence standardization personnel.
8. The webinar will be delivered in English. Attendees should have language proficiency Level B2 in English in accordance with the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR). This webinar is not classified.
9. A draft schedule of events (curriculum) for this webinar is hereby attached as per Annex 2. The final agenda of events will be included with the joining instructions in due time.
10. For organizational purposes, EDSMG representatives of invited organisations and institutions **are kindly requested** to forward **applications** of designated **candidates to the email address edawebinarstan2022@eda.europa.eu no later than (NLT) 1st March 2022.**
11. As this is the first webinar of this kind offered to EU and civil standardization community, hence joint and coordinated multinational effort is required to make it an event which brings undisputed value to the EDA pMS and their standardisation-related stakeholders. This pilot webinar is organized by EDA under the custodianship of Commander Nikolaos MYRIOUNIS GRC (N) from the Hellenic National Defence General Staff (HNDGS).
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**DRAFT AGENDA OF EVENTS FOR
“EUROPEAN DEFENCE STANDARDISATION”
PILOT WEBINAR – 15 MARCH 2022**

- 1. Pilot Webinar Introduction - Outline**
- 2. European Defence Standardisation: Documentation, governance and activities**
- 3. Civil Standards VS Defence Standards - synergies and benefits**
- 4. European Legislation on the use of standards in procurements**
- 5. EDSTAR - European Defence Standards Reference System**
- 6. Best Practices on the cooperation between defence and civil standardization communities**
- 7. Q&A Period – Panel Discussion**