

EDIS Meeting with ASD Consultations - Overall paper

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EDIS

**European Defence
Industrial Strategy**



Why a European Defence Industrial Strategy?

Context

- Increasingly unstable geopolitical context marked by conflicts and technological race
- EU and its Member States are called to adopt a more assertive and deterrent posture (e.g. Strategic Compass, Post-Versailles initiatives)
- Ensuring EDTIB sustainable competitiveness, robustness and readiness.
- EDTIB remains weakened, due to insufficient investment and fragmentation along national lines

It is time for the EU to move from the emergency response to building the EU's long-term readiness!



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Expectations

1. Further support EDTIB in adapting to a new security situation
2. Incentivize MS defence cooperation along the whole defence product life cycle
3. Support a paradigm shift towards defence industrial readiness

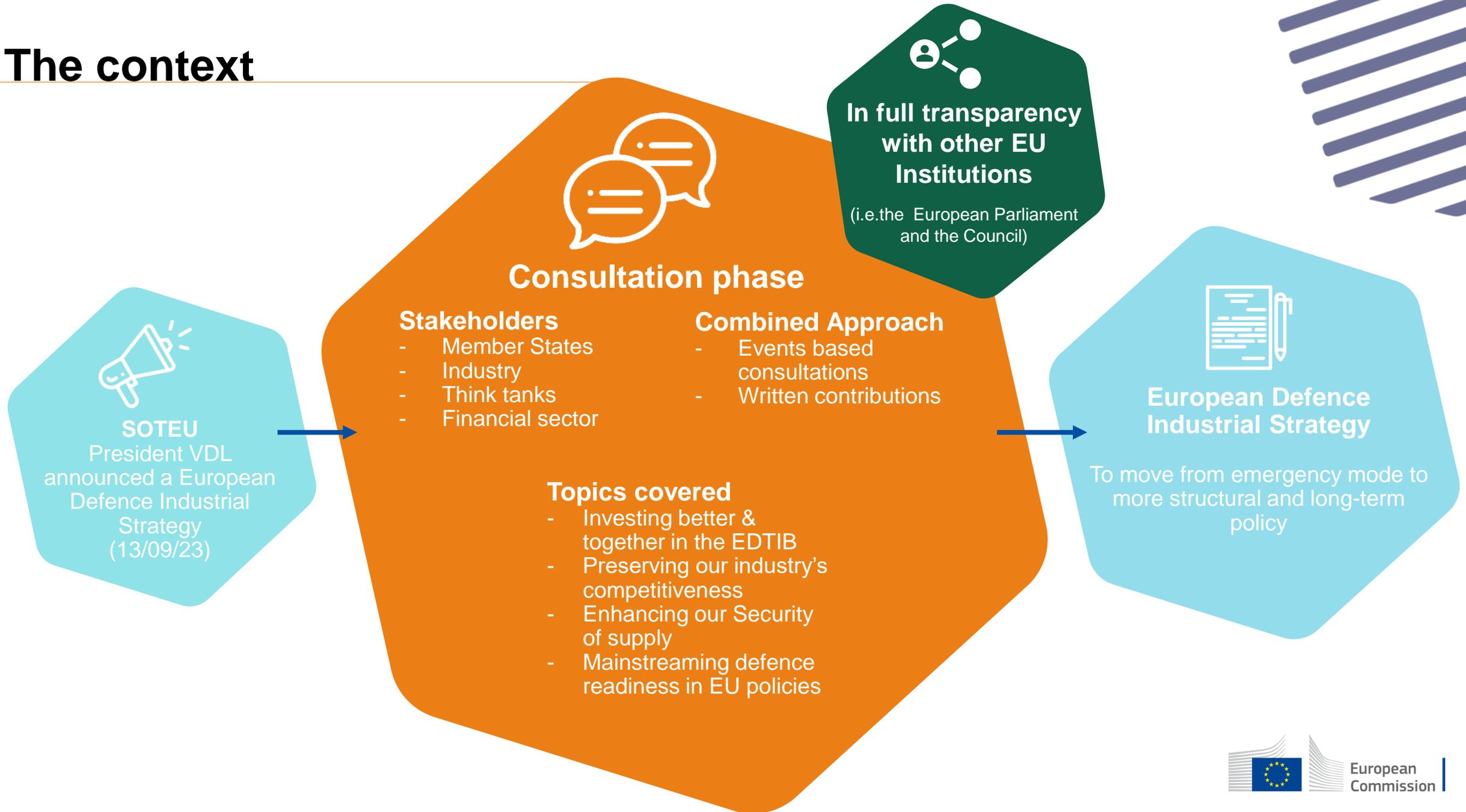
How?

- COM to comprehensively analyse key issues affecting the EDTIB focusing on different topics:
 1. Issue Paper #2 Investing better & together in the EDTIB
 2. Issue Paper #3 Adapting the Union's defence industrial base
 3. Issue Paper #4 Enhancing our Security of Supply
 4. Issue Paper #5 Mainstreaming defence industrial readiness culture in EU policies
- Stakeholder consultation to exchange on these topics and inform the future EDIS

Towards a European Defence Industrial Strategy

The Process

The context



How will we engage with Industry?

- Through written consultation:
 - Issue papers are there to support informal discussion with stakeholders. Commission together with EEAS in coordination with EDA will produce 5 issue papers to be shared with MS and industry.
 - DEFIS will send to ASD, NDIAs and RTOs network issue papers for further transmission to their members.
 - Industry will receive the papers in two batches
 - 22 November: Overall consultation paper #1, Investing better and together in the EDTIB paper #2, Adapting the Union's defence industrial base paper #3
 - 13 December: Enhancing our Security of Supply paper #4 and Mainstreaming defence industrial readiness culture paper #5
- Through two targeted meetings of the DEFIS' Defence Subgroup
 - 29 November: issue papers 1, 2 and 3
 - 20 December: issue papers 4 and 5
- Through three dedicated meetings with ASD task force (21 Nov., 6 Dec. and 9 Jan)

Your contribution to the written consultation

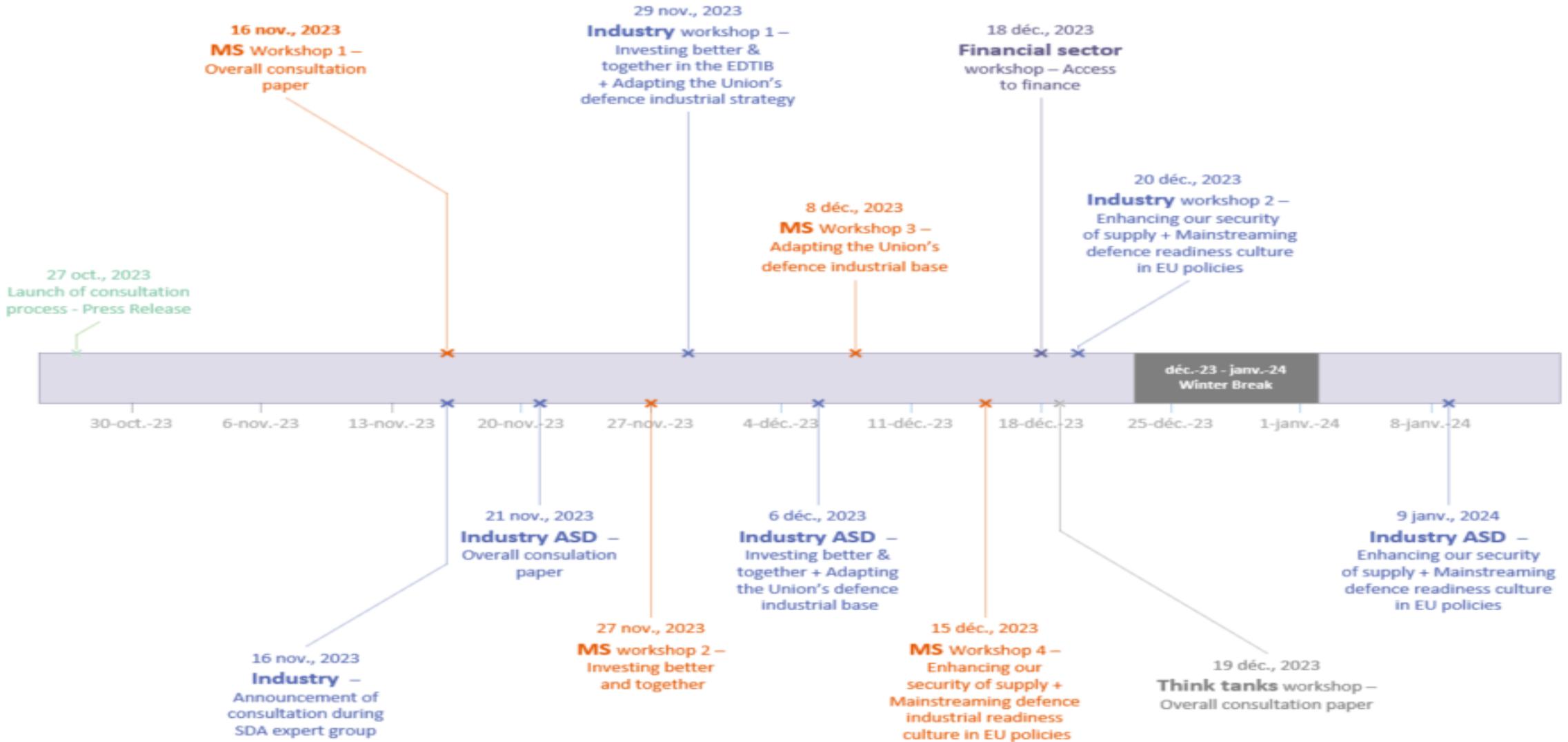
How?

- A template will be sent together with each issue paper
- Word format document, including the questions listed in the papers, regrouped according to different topics
- The intention is to harmonize and scope Industry's inputs and contributions to ease their analysis and consideration

When?

Paper	Date of receipt	Deadline for written inputs
Issue Paper 1 "Overall Consultation Paper"	22 November	29 December
Issue Paper 2 "Investing better & together"	22 November	29 December
Issue Paper 3 "Adapting the Union's defence industrial base"	22 November	29 December
Issue Paper 4 "Enhancing our security of supply"	13 December	29 December
Issue Paper 5 "Mainstreaming defence readiness in EU policies"	13 December	29 December

Consultation process overview



European Defence Investment Programme (EDIP)

- ✓ EDIS will set a path towards future EDTIB, strengthening **industrial readiness**.
- ✓ Stakeholders will be invited to express themselves on a possible defence investment programme (EDIP)
- ✓ ASAP and EDIRPA are meant to expire in 2025 – a bridging instrument towards next MFF might be considered.
- ✓ Possible tracks for interventions :
 - ✓ On **defence demand** – do we need to further incentivize cooperation in the procurement phase and beyond?
 - ✓ **On Supply** – Is there a need to replicate and enlarge ASAP logic to other sectors? Shall financial support also target the ‘industrialization phase’ of projects stemming from EDF?
 - ✓ **During crisis time** – does the EU needs a specific regime for SoS in crisis time?
 - ✓ **What would be an appropriate level of financial support from Union’s budget?**



DISCUSSION

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Conclusions

Way-ahead