

Nordic EDF Info Day and Matchmaking

28 and 29 January 2026

Venue: [Clarion Hotel Oslo Airport](#), Hans Gaarders veg 15,

2060 Gardermoen, Norway



The Norwegian Defence and Security Industries Association (FSi) (member of the EOA consortium), in cooperation with NORDEFECO, chaired by Norway, is organizing a Nordic EDF Info Day on 28 January 2026, to be followed by an on-site EDF matchmaking event on 29 January 2026.

Programme – Agenda

Day 1: 28 January 2026 - Nordic EDF Information Day

0900 – 0905 Welcome and introduction

Mr. Torbjørn Svensgård,
SVP International Relations, FSi,
Alternate National EDF Focal Point

0905 – 0915 Keynote address

State Secretary Marte Gerhardsen
Norwegian Ministry of Defence, NORDEF Chair

0915 – 0945 Update on the implementation of EU defence industrial initiatives including SAFE, the European Defence Industry Programme (EDIP), and The Defence Industry Transformation Roadmap. - Overview of the Commission's proposal for defence industrial programmes in the next MFF.

Mr. Krastio Preslavsky, Deputy Head of Unit
Defence Industrial Programming Coordination
European Commission

0945 – 1015 Overview of the EDF programme and the work programme for 2026.

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1015 – 1045 **Networking Break**

1045 – 1245 Nordic governments approach to the EDF work program and application round

1045 – 1105 Denmark
Ms. Sasha Scheele Sandberg, EDF Project Manager/Head of Section, The Danish Ministry of Defence Acquisition and Logistics Organisation (DALO)

1105 – 1135 Finland
Mr. Niklas Backlund, Senior Specialist, FI MOD

1135 – 1215 Norway
Mr. Andreas Quamme Nielsen, Senior Adviser, NO MOD/
Mr. Nils Skarland, Defence Industry Councillor, Norwegian
Delegation to the European Union

1215 – 1245 Sweden
Ms. Louise Lindwall, International Advisor, The Swedish Defence Materiel Administration (FMV)

1300 – 1400 **Networking Lunch**

1400 – 1430 How to submit a successful EDF proposal
Mr. Benoît Chauchepat and Mr. Romain de Calbiac, C&V Defence, Brussels

1430 – 1550 Lessons learned and best practices for EDF

Nordic beneficiaries and coordinators share experiences and best practices from joining and participating in consortia and leading a consortium.

1430 – 1450 Denmark
Mr. Emil Jøhnke Handberg, EU funding expert, Danish Technological Institute

1450 – 1510 Finland
Mr. Matti Saarikko, Chief Technology Officer, Patria Group

1510 – 1530 Norway
Mr. Runar Kvamme, Chief Business Officer, NFM Group

1530 – 1550 Sweden
Ms. Hanna Lindvall, Program Manager Innovation, SAAB AB

1550 – 1610 **Networking break**

1610 – 1630 An example of military user engagement in EDF Projects?
Mr. Kim Mathiassen, Research Manager, Norwegian Defence Research Establishment (FFI)

1630 – 1650 The Norwegian model of secure-communication in EDF-projects
Mr. Lars Borgos, Chief Information Security Officer/Mr. Idar Johan Adolfsen, Senior Advisor, Norwegian Defence Material Agency (NDMA)

1650 – 1700 Wrap-up /closing remarks

1830 - **Social event hosted by FSi**
All participants to the **Nordic EDF Information Day** (Day 1) are invited

Day 2, 29 January 2026 – EDF Matchmaking

The matchmaking day (29 January), organised within the framework of the EDF EOA project, will provide opportunities for structured dialogue between participating entities with the aim of identifying opportunities for cooperation and establishing consortia in preparation for responding to calls in the EDF 2026 work programme.

The event is supported by the European Commission (EC) and the matchmaking on 29 January is organised within the framework of the EDF project [Enhanced Opportunities for All \(EOA\)](#).

Registered participants to the Matchmaking event on 29 January have received instructions for registration in B2Match and booking of matchmaking appointments by e-mail.

Programme

0845 – 0900 Welcome, administrative remarks

0900 – 1130 Matchmaking Session 1

1130 – 1230 Lunch

1230 – 1430 Matchmaking Session 2

1430 – 1445 Break

1445 – 1600 Matchmaking Session 3

Accommodation

Accommodation is **not** included in the conference fee. Participants requiring accommodation may make their reservations directly with [Clarion Hotel Oslo Airport](#) (28-29 January only) or [Comfort Hotel Runway](#) (27-29 January) (Located next to Clarion Hotel Oslo Airport)

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[Scandic Oslo Airport](#)

[Park inn by Radisson Oslo Airport Hotel West](#)