

14-16 May 2025 – KRAKOW, PL

European Defence Innovation Days 2025

Building Tomorrow's Capabilities Today: From Innovation to Fielding

A European Defence Agency event under the auspices of the Polish Presidency of the Council of the European Union

CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Day 1, May 14

08h30 Registrations & Welcome Coffee

09h30 **Welcome & Opening Remarks**

09h45 **Keynote Speech**

10h00 **High-Level Institutional Panel**

Streamlining Defence Innovation Processes: Evaluating the Impact of Existing Procurement and Regulatory Framework on the Speed of Innovation

11h00 **Inspirational Keynote**

Rapid Response & Adaptation in Military Operations: Digitalisation of the Battlefield & Integration of Innovative Technologies

11h30 **Speech: Opening of the European Defence Innovation Exhibition**

12h00-14h00 Lunch

14h00 **Deep Dive Session 1**

Financial Instruments for Dual-Use Technologies

15h00 **Deep Dive Session 2**

Innovation at the Crossroads of Space and Defence: Goals, Challenges and Avenues

16h00 **Deep Dive Session 3**

Quantum Technologies in Defence

16h30-18h00 Networking Aperitivo

Day 2, May 15

08h30	Registrations & Welcome Coffee		
09h30	Welcome address		
09h45	Keynote Speech		
10h15	Roundtable Overcoming the Valley of Death: From Innovation to Deployment		
11h15	Coffee Break		
11h45	Makeathon Ceremony		
12h15-14h00	Lunch	/in parallel/	Makeathon Showcase & Race
14h00	Breakout Session 1 Focus on Ukrainian Innovators		
15h30	Breakout Session 2 Technical Talks: EU Cooperative Research Projects		
14h00	Breakout Session 3 Start-Ups & SME's		
14h00	Breakout Session 4 Start-Ups & SME's		
	/In parallel/		
14h00	Exhibition & Networking		

Day 3, May 16

08h30	Registrations & Welcome Coffee		
09h00	Welcome address		
09h15	Pitching Battle for Start-Ups		
11h00	Fireside Chat: Start-Up Success Stories		
12h00	Closing remarks		
12h30-14h00	End of conference & Networking Lunch		