To pursue a more structured and focused dialogue with industry and to facilitate industry engagement in EDA activities as decided by EDA Steering Board in May 2017, EDA organises workshops with industry on areas related to the eleven EU Capability Development Priorities approved in 2018 and the implementation of corresponding Strategic Context Cases (SCC).

On 5 February the 1st C-UAS workshop took place, organised jointly by EDA and EUMS, with participation from EDA participating Member States (pMS), the European Commission and other relevant stakeholders, with no industry participation at that stage. The workshop had a twofold objective: for the short-term, to identify feasible solutions that could be taken in support of on-going CSDP missions and operations, and for the medium to long term, to start discussing opportunities for capability development efforts in line with the Avenues of Approach included into the corresponding module of the SCC Air Superiority agreed by Member States. As an outcome of the workshop, it was agreed that EDA would organise a second workshop, this time with industry participation, within this year.
This 2\textsuperscript{nd} C-UAS workshop with industry\textsuperscript{1} participation is now planned to take place on \textbf{15 September 2020 at the EDA premises in Brussels}. It will be focused on continuing exchanges about capability development efforts related to Countering Unmanned Airborne Systems (C-UAS) while offering an opportunity to provide a deeper insight into the SCC and its avenues of approach, and to contribute to develop a common understanding. Industry would be expected to share its views on the SCC and suggestions on further perspectives which could inform capability development and R&T in the selected area. This should also include the long-term perspective (beyond 20 years) on the industrial and technological outlook in the selected areas, thus to make capability planners reflect on the ‘art of the possible’. Potential industrial aspects related to this specific capability domain and of relevance with the Key Strategic Area activity of EDA will also be addressed within the workshop.

The 2018 Capability Development Priorities and the related SCCs and KSA Reports are available upon request via pMS NDIAs and ASD through the EDA Prioritisation Platform\textsuperscript{2} to inform and facilitate the engagement of industry.

In order to prepare for the 2\textsuperscript{nd} C-UAS workshop, EDA invites NDIAs and ASD to reach out to their members and encourage them to respond to the call for papers at Annex. Please note that responses to the call for papers are to be submitted to the EDA at \texttt{CAP@eda.europa.eu} with a copy to \texttt{dion.polman@eda.europa.eu} by 3 July 2020.

During the workshop, selected industry representatives will be invited to present their views to Member States focusing on the topics included in the call for papers. Speakers will be selected based on their replies to the call for papers, which will be evaluated by the EDA.

Submissions are sought from a wide range of industries involved in C-UAS. Though responses to all questions in this call for papers are encouraged, submitters may develop answers to specific questions in greater detail based on their area of expertise.

Submissions will be judged on their innovativeness and relevance as well as ability to stimulate discussion on future C-UAS in both a military and civilian context. Participation in this call for papers is open to companies of any size as well as academic, research institutes and associations or groupings of industrial suppliers.

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\textsuperscript{1} Based on the EDA Industry engagement policy, when engaging industries on matters related to EDA prioritisation tools, EDA invites only industries that are established in the EDA participating Member States and that do not have limitations in terms of intellectual property rights, security of supply, security of information or export controls, stemming from mother companies or entities outside the EDA participating Member States.

\textsuperscript{2} https://prioritisation.eda.europa.eu/