

AGENDA

EDF DAYS 2023

BRINGING TOGETHER AUSTRIA'S DEFENCE R&D COMMUNITY

DATE/TIME: September 19-20, 2023
LOCATION: Austrian Federal Economic Chamber
Wiedner Hauptstraße 63, 1040 Vienna
NOTE: The event will be held in German and English

TUESDAY, 19. 09. 2023

03.00 p.m. **WELCOME AND KEYNOTE TALKS** (Julius Raab Saal)

Welcome by the WKO | *Reinhard Marak, WKO*
Welcome by the FFG | *Margit Noll, FFG*

European defence in a new geopolitical environment | *Sven Biscop, Ghent University*
EDF basics and Austrian participation | *Thomas Zergoi, FFG*
The Ministry of Defence as an end-user | *Rudolf Zauner, BMLV*
Austrian security & defence research programmes | *Ralph Hammer, BMF*

EDF players & priorities | *Pitches from EDF National Focal Points from Germany, the Netherlands, Spain, Czechia and other countries (tbc)*

06.00 p.m. **NETWORKING RECEPTION** (Christoph Leitl Lounge)

Austria's economy in the defence sector | *Wolfgang Hesoun, Vice-President, WKO*
Welcome address by the National Director of Armament | *Harald Vodosek, BMLV*
European defence policy | *Lukas Mandl, Member of the European Parliament*

WEDNESDAY, 20. 09. 2023

09.00 a.m. **WELCOME AND OPENING**

The EDF's political context | *Sylvia Kainz-Huber, DG DEFIS, European Commission*
Successful EDF project TDRIC | *Reinhard Puffing, Pegasus*
The hub for European defence innovation | *Federica Valente, EDA*
EU synergy programmes: Horizon, Digital Europe | *Max Arends, FFG*

PANEL DISCUSSION: EDF – THE LEARNINGS SO FAR

Sylvia Kainz-Huber, DG DEFIS ; Reinhard Marak, WKO ; Federica Valente, EDA ; Lukas Mandl, European Parliament ; Reinhard Puffing, Pegasus

12.00 p.m. **CLOSING REMARKS & NETWORKING LUNCH**