

# Non-thematic actions targeting disruptive technologies for defence

European Defence Fund

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| CODE         | EDF-2026-LS-DIS       | SCOPE      | International |
| LOCATION     | Europe                | STATUS     | Open          |
| PROGRAM      | European Defence Fund | CURATED BY | Maria Macedo  |
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## Financial Details

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| SUPPORT TYPE     | Non-Refundable | MAXIMUM FUNDING RATE   | 100%      |
| BUDGET           | 27M€           | ELIGIBLE PROJECT VALUE | Up to 3M€ |
| MAXIMUM DURATION | 24 months      |                        |           |

## Dates & Deadlines

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| PUBLICATION DATE | March 10, 2026 | OPENING DATE | April 15, 2026 |
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## Application Phases

- Phase 1: September 29, 2026 at 03:00 PM (126 days left)

## Objectives

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This call supports collaborative research and development projects aimed at delivering disruptive technologies for the European defence sector. The objective is to foster innovative or radically enhanced defence technologies that can bring about paradigm shifts in defence operations and capabilities. Targeted beneficiaries include consortia of legal entities (public or private) established in EU Member States or EDF-associated countries, particularly those with expertise in artificial intelligence, quantum technologies, autonomous systems, robotics, and advanced materials. Entities must demonstrate potential for a disruptive effect within realistic military scenarios, and all proposals must clearly align with at least one key defence domain and present a compelling technological vision.

### **Funding**

The total available budget for this call is EUR 27,000,000. Project grant requests must not exceed EUR 3,000,000, with reimbursement of eligible project costs at a funding rate of 100% via lump sum grants. Projects are expected to last between 12 and 24 months, with a possibility for longer duration in justified cases. Support to third parties is permitted under specific conditions. Only depreciation costs for equipment are eligible under this call.

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## **Eligible Expenses**

- Personnel Costs
- Travel costs
- Equipment costs
- Other goods, works and services costs
- Subcontracting
- Indirect Costs
- Financial support to third parties (capped as per call conditions)

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## **Eligibility**

### **Eligible Sectors**

- Aerospace & Defense

### **Company Sizes**

- Micro
- Sme
- Small Mid-Cap
- Mid-Cap
- Large
- Private non-profit entities
- Public entities
- Non-business entities of the R&I system (ENESII)

### **Application Mode**

- Consortium / Copromotion

### **Action Types**

- Disruptive technology research
- Defence product design
- Knowledge creation and integration

- Efficiency improvement of defence technologies

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## EU Programme Details

### CALL ID

EDF-2026-LS-DIS

### EXPECTED PROJECTS

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### SUBMISSION MODE

Single-stage

### FUNDING RATE RULE

100% reimbursement of eligible costs for all beneficiaries;

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## Official Links

Official Regulation:

[https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/edf/wp-call/2026/call-fiche\\_edf-2026-ls-dis\\_en.pdf](https://ec.europa.eu/info/funding-tenders/opportunities/docs/2021-2027/edf/wp-call/2026/call-fiche_edf-2026-ls-dis_en.pdf)

Grantavia page: <https://grantavia.com/en/incentives/non-thematic-actions-targeting-disruptive-technologies-for-defence>

Information Video: [https://youtu.be/zt\\_WT5RCbQY?si=LH47a4ha533liCAX](https://youtu.be/zt_WT5RCbQY?si=LH47a4ha533liCAX)

Schedule a meeting: <https://calendly.com/ines-carreira-fi-group/reuniao>