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# **Defence Research & Development**

### **Austrian Armed Forces as Military End User**

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## **Defence Research**

Defence research is the interdisciplinary, scientific, technical or applied research for the purpose of Defence and Capability Development



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## **Responsibilities / Portfolio**



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### **Current Situation National Defence Innovation System**

<b>Industry</b> Mostly SME "Niche-Excellence" (Land Systems, PPE, Small Arms) Dual-use focussed	<u>MOD</u> HR available in Military-, Humanities- and Social Sciences Cooperation with RTO and Universities Actor Mobilization via KIRAS/FORTE	
Compr app to Defence	Comprehensive approach to Defence Research!	
<u>European / International level</u>	Emergent fields of Excellence	
Armed Forces with USP in testing and evaluation Open system of R&D well established	EDT: Quantum technologies, Artificial Intelligence, Human enhancement	

- **RTO** Research Technology Organisation
- **USP** Unique Selling Proposition
- **EDT** Emergent Disruptive Technology



#### **Defence Innovation:**

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Deliberate technological, organisational and doctrinal change in response to a new strategic environment to achieve advantage.

The choice of Defence Innovation or Defence Irrelevance



# **Military Innovation**

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## **Strategic Research Areas**

#### Critical Technology / Capability Areas

- Digital Transformation
- Cyber Defence
- Electronic Warfare
- Space Technology
- Navigation Warfare

- Autonomous Systems
- CBRN and Medical Countermeasures
- C-IED
- C-EAT
- Sustainability, Renewable Energy & Storage

#### Emergent Disruptive Technologies/ New Technologies

#### **Military Sciences**

- Security / Defence Policy & Strategy
- Military Leadership
- Operations Research, Modelling & Simulation
- Society, Armed Forces and Ethics

- Training & Education
- Military History
- Military Medicine and Human Factor



### **Defence Research – Integration into EU**



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### **Complementary use of Research Programmes**

#### **R&D Roadmap Example C-UAS**

Nat. Defence Programme

Nat. Security Programme

**EDA Projects** 

EDF Projects



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### Technology to Capability (an Example)



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### Use of the EDF for developing AAF

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## Impact Pathways

Impact Pathways	Short term Indicators 1-5	Mid term Indicators 5-7	Long-term Indicators 10-15
Capability	Successful R&D Projects	Demonstrator Prototypes	R&D related procurement
Know How Transfer	R&D projects with troops as End Users	Field testing, Focus on DOTMLPF-aspects of R&D	Change in doctrine and training
Technology and Industry	National and European cooperative R&D with industry	"foot in the door" of new system supply chains	Increased procurement with AT industry share

<b>D</b> Doctrine	M Materiel	DOTMLPF
<b>O</b> Organization	L Leadership	
<b>T</b> Training	P Personnel	F Facilities



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