

2020-2021 Implementing Activities Progress Report

<p>2020 A1: The Aerospace & Defence Pact for Skills was launched on 10 Nov 2020 by Commissioners Breton and Schmit. The Pact formulated its strategic vision for upskilling and reskilling in the sector.</p>	<p>2020 B1: The EDSP was complemented in 2020 by the Assets+ project - Alliance for Strategic Skills Addressing Emerging Technologies in Defence. [Erasmus+]</p> <p>With the Aerospace & Defence Pact for Skills launched in Nov 2020, stakeholders got further involved covering the entire ecosystem.</p>	<p>2021 C1: European Student Challenge is Assets+ incentive to attract students to defence through annual competitions of teams from universities.</p> <p>1st edition was successfully concluded in June 2021. 2nd edition was launched on 20 Oct 2021. [Erasmus+]</p>	<p>2021 D1: EDSP/DEFIS conducted a study on how to build a one-stop-shop VET platform. Report delivered in Feb 2021. [COSME]</p> <p>Next step is on the industry with E&T bodies to create a project for building a fully-fledged platform.</p>	<p>2021 E1: The Commission opened in March 2021 an Erasmus+ call for Blueprint-relevant sectors.</p> <p>In Nov, new Erasmus+ calls opened for Partnerships for Innovation relevant for the sector: <i>Alliances</i> for the Blueprint, and <i>Forward-looking Projects</i> for the Pact.</p> <p>Digital Europe Programme calls opened in Nov on digital technologies, cybersecurity, and Digital innovation Hubs</p>
<p>2021 A1.2: Assets+ delivered Strategy Specifications with the methods for the analysis of tech, apps and skills used to define the needs for training. Based on this, they delivered a Strategy for developing HR in defence. It shares 4 objectives and includes actions that will additionally contribute to the implementation of this strategy. [Erasmus+]</p>	<p>2021 B1.2: Assets+ project introduced their first collaborative trainings for defence. More are in the pipeline. [Erasmus+]</p>	<p>2021 C2: Assets+ launched the 1st edition of the Tech4Kids event in October focusing on drones and the importance of cybersecurity to create awareness and raise the attractiveness of defence careers to pupils [Erasmus+]</p> <p>EDSP project for a brochure was cancelled in July 2021 due to covid-19. [COSME]</p>		<p>2020 E2: Mapping is delivered and a one-stop-shop EU funding section is created on the EDSP website to promote and facilitate access to funding. [COSME]</p> <p>2021 The EU funding section was updated in May to include new and pandemic response funds. [COSME]</p>

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