

International projection

In addition to the activity which Isdefe carries out at the national level on behalf of the Administration in areas of technological and strategic interest, it also carries out activities in abroad and in international organisations, especially at the European level in which it does not act as an in-house technical service provider (<20% of its activity).

The Spanish Administration in general, and the Ministry of Defence in particular, have numerous interests in the international arena and a constant global presence.

Isdefe is a tool of the Administration in its Foreign Action Strategy. Isdefe's action strategy focuses on European multilateral organisations and the administrations of allied countries.

Objectives

The following objectives have been set:

- Ensure participation in initiatives and organisations in the interests of defence and security.
- Align the activity with the interests of the General State Administration (AGE) in general and the Ministry of Defence in particular, following the lines of the State's Foreign Action Strategy.
- Support MINDEF and its European representatives, and strengthen partnerships and relationships of trust with European companies.
- Focus the activity on the company's areas of excellence.
- Acquire knowledge to reinforce the activity of Isdefe as an in-house technical service provider.





In 2020, our international activity has mostly taken place in the European arena, focused on increasing participation in the programmes of European Union bodies within the new European security and defence framework, and on supporting the administrations of allied countries, derived mainly from bilateral relations and interministerial agreements.

In 2020, Isdefe was the first organisation to officialise its entry into the NATO Not-for-Profit (NfP) framework, to provide consulting and project management services, research studies and the development of future capabilities.

Isdefe has promoted the concept of a European Government In-house Provider by promoting alliances with other equivalent European organisations (IABG, Fraunhofer, TNO, FOI, etc.).

During this period we have acted as one more tool of the Ministry of Defence and the General State Administration to help promote Spain's position abroad.

Areas of action by sectors of activity

Defence and Security

- European Commission.
- European Defence Agency (EDA).
- European Border and Coast Guard Agency (FRONTEX).
- Organisation for Joint Armament Cooperation (OCCAR).
- NATO: Communications and Information Agency (NCIA), Airborne Early Warning & Control Programme Agency (NAPMA), Support and Procurement Agency (NSPA), Cooperative Cyber Defence Centre of Excellence (CCDCOE).
- Peruvian Armed Forces Procurement Agency (ACFFAA), Ministry of Defence of Peru.
- National Office of Cataloguing of the Ministry of Industry and Energy of Saudi Arabia.
- National Office of Cataloguing of Peru.

Transport

- European Union Aviation Safety Agency (EASA).
- Single European Sky Joint Undertaking (SESARJU).



Space

- European Space Agency (ESA).
- European Union Agency for the Space Programme (EUSPA).
- European Global Navigation Satellite System Service Centre (GSC).
- Galileo Security Monitoring Centre (GSMC).
- European Union Satellite Centre (SatCen).
- National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA).

Public Administrations

Technical assistance in international projects co-financed by the Spanish Administration, to supervise the correct planning and execution by Spanish companies (Egypt, Jordan, Kenya, Senegal, Madagascar, Bolivia, Uganda, Honduras, Ivory Coast).

