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on behalf of the European Commission
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The most recent analysis of EU collaborative procurement (2024-2025)¹ performed by the European Defence Agency, stated that ‘only 12 out of 27 Member States reported their EU collaborative equipment procurement data, making it impossible at present to provide a comprehensive analysis of EU collaborative defence equipment procurement and to adequately assess the state of the EU defence landscape in this area’.

Currently, around 40% of defence expenditure by Member States is directed at the US Foreign Military Sales Mechanism, while less than 50% of defence procurement is sourced in the EU².

Several EU initiatives support collaborative procurement. The European Defence Industry Reinforcement through Common Procurement Act³ allocated EUR 300 million to offset the costs of cooperation, leveraging more than EUR 11 billion of collaborative purchases. The Security Action for Europe⁴ instrument is designed to foster collaborative procurement, while the European Defence Industry Programme⁵ supports actions on common procurement. Both instruments are in early days of their implementation and do not allow measuring their impact on the collaborative procurement.

The Defence Readiness Omnibus proposal⁶ aims at, *inter alia*, facilitating common procurement by simplifying procedures.

Member States’ report on their exports of military equipment which includes data on intra-EU transfers. The Commission will present in 2026 a report evaluating the impact of Directive 2009/43/EC⁷.

¹ https://eda.europa.eu/docs/default-source/brochures/2025-eda_defencedata_web.pdf.

² https://economy-finance.ec.europa.eu/publications/2026-european-macroeconomic-report_en.

³ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2023/2418/oj>.

⁴ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/1106/oj/eng>.

⁵ <http://data.europa.eu/eli/reg/2025/2643/oj>.

⁶ <https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/?uri=celex:52025PC0823>.

⁷ <http://data.europa.eu/eli/dir/2009/43/oj>.