



Message
by the Minister of National Defence,
Mr. Nikolaos Panagiotopoulos

I would like to welcome you to the 2nd edition of the International Defence and Security Exhibition DEFEA «Defense Exhibition Athens» which will take place in Athens, between 9th to 11th May 2023.

DEFEA is organized by ROTA Exhibitions and the Association of the Hellenic Manufactures of Defence Material (SEKPY) under the auspices and the active collaboration of the Hellenic Ministry of National Defence.

Following its successful 1st Edition, in July 2021, which marked the dynamic comeback of Greece in the defence exhibition domain, «DEFEA» has been established as one of the leading exhibitions of its kind in the broader region of the South Eastern Europe and the crossroads between Europe, Middle East & North Africa (MENA) region.

At «DEFEA» an impressive number of foreign and local exhibitors, will demonstrate their full range of products, while the presence of decision makers, force planners, government officials and distinguished guests from EU members states , NATO nations and EU bodies, offer a great opportunity for networking, industrial collaborations and new synergies.

A large number of high-level events like «Round Table Discussion» and VIP-lectures will give the opportunity for analysis of the international situation, risk assessment and ways of dealing with the challenges, but also workshops, presentations and demonstrations will inform the visitors for new technologies and advanced defence systems.

Of course a tour and sightseeing in fabulous spring Athens, which combines the air of ancient culture with the amenities of a modern city, will compensate any visitor.

I am confident that your visit in «DEFEA 23» will be very interesting and productive and I am looking forward to welcoming you in Athens.

Nikolaos Panagiotopoulos
Minister of National Defence