Save the Date! – Nordic Defence Industry Seminar 2018

Ensuring Future Capabilities – Nordic Armaments Cooperation in a Competitive and International Context

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22–24 May 2018 Djurönäset Conference & Hotel

The Ministry of Defence of Sweden, in cooperation with the Swedish Defence Materiel Administration (FMV) and the Swedish Security & Defence Industry Association (SOFF), kindly asks you to mark the dates of 22nd–24th of May 2018 for the Nordic Defence Industry Seminar 2018 at Djurönäset Conference & Hotel.

In a time when the security situation has gradually deteriorated, the need for strengthening Nordic, bilateral and multilateral defence and armaments cooperation has become increasingly important to meet the envisioned challenges of the future battlefield. The theme *Ensuring Future Capabilities – Nordic Armaments Cooperation in a Competitive and International Context* puts emphasis on the future capability needs and aims to examine how these can be identified and realized in both the Nordic and in the competitive and international contexts.

In the Nordic context, there is a need to increase knowledge and understanding for each country's specific prerequisites, particularities, priorities and future capability needs, both between governments and on to the Nordic defence industries.

By overcoming differences, generating the right conditions for cooperation and identifying common future capability needs, the Nordic countries can become an increasingly important actor in external bilateral relations (e.g. the transatlantic link), in multilateral fora (EU and NATO) and on the competitive international market. This includes issues such as formulating common Nordic positions that ensures that the specific Nordic conditions are taken into account in multilateral policy formulation and decisionmaking, as well as identifying common future capability needs and projects to meet the challenges of the future battlefield.

