

## ORDIN Principles and Rules of Procedure

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ORDIN is a process managed by Eurospace that involves the voluntary participation of European space supply chain stakeholders (RTOs, Labs, Private companies). By participating in the process, the involved parties adhere to the purpose and rules of procedure laid out herewith. The participation does not entail any financial exchange between participating stakeholders and Eurospace.

**The ORDIN process eventually supports a globally enhanced end-to-end European space technology strategy both for ESA and the EU.**

### ORDIN: Purpose

- ORDIN is a proactive consultation process open to all stakeholders from the whole European space supply chain. The process is driven by both bottom-up and top-down exchanges on technology needs, drivers, challenges and capabilities.
- The ORDIN objective is to streamline and enhance the capacity of the **supply chain to formulate clear and comprehensive recommendations** for future R&D and innovation programmes to ESA and the EU, in time and with the appropriate level of detail.
- With ORDIN the Eurospace objective is twofold:
  - Improving the communication with ESA and the EU institutions when it comes to support technology development and innovation<sup>1</sup>.
  - Improving the cohesion of the supply chain in particular by stimulating exchanges and knowledge dissemination within the European supply chain for the betterment of the sector through continued innovation.

### ORDIN: stakeholders

- The process is **open to ALL the European (EU+ESA member states) supply chain** involved in the design, development, manufacturing and test of space systems<sup>2</sup> (including RTOs, SMEs, newspace / emerging players, midcaps and large groups, primes and equipment suppliers, labs and research entities). Whether or not they are Eurospace members.
- **By their involvement in the ORDIN process, participating entities become de facto members of the Eurospace Technology Harmonisation Panel<sup>3</sup>. The THP membership guarantees their further involvement in the preparation and validation of any consolidated message on Space RDT&I formulated by Eurospace towards ESA and EU instances.**

### ORDIN: process and rules of participation and confidentiality

- The process is supported by a workshop-based approach to collect information on stakeholders, state-of-the-art, technology trends, requirements, challenges and drivers.
  - **Workshops are open, free, and voluntary.**
- Participating entities agree to the following:

<sup>1</sup> ORDIN takes an advance proactive approach to technology strategy aiming at reducing time constraints for stakeholder involvement and promoting wider scale consultations with a focus on voluntary information provision and a lesser administrative burden.

<sup>2</sup> Space systems include space launchers, spacecraft, mission & control ground segments and all equipment, parts and software involved in their development, production and test.

<sup>3</sup> <https://eurospace.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/asdeurospaceresearchandtechnologywgforapproved.pdf>

- **The ORDIN meeting and workshop will abide to EU competition law** and in particular TFEU Article 101. No information exchanged in the context of the ORDIN process will unlawfully disclose proprietary information or aim at creating a competitive advantage for the entities involved.
- **The ORDIN meetings and workshops will be minuted** by Eurospace: minutes will only be available to participants.
- **The ORDIN meetings and workshops will generate conclusions** prepared by Eurospace and **submitted to participants review**. The conclusion document will include the list of participating entities. After review, the conclusions can be made available, selectively, by Eurospace to European space institutions (in particular ESA and the EU).
- The presentations made in the context of ORDIN meetings and workshops will be collated by Eurospace
  - they will be made available to workshop participants, not subject to further dissemination.
  - they can be made available selectively by Eurospace to European space institutions (in particular ESA and the EU).

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#### ORDIN: Outcome

- **The outcome will be a supply chain-owned repository of technology requirements, capabilities, roadmaps and trends.** The repository will support the formulation of technology recommendations as required, on-time, and under joint stakeholders' control via the THP.
- **The repository will be accessible to all THP members** via online tools.
- **THP members shall treat all information gathered from the online repository as confidential and shall not disseminate it outside their organisation.**