

Press release

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Ammo Symposium 2026 @Enforce Tac: High-Level Exchange on Resilient Ammunition Supply

Right before the international Enforce Tac exhibition, one of the leading trade fairs for security and defence, opens its gates, the Ammo Symposium 2026 unveils this year's full agenda and presents its prominent speakers. The RWS GmbH, in collaboration with Enforce Tac, will once again host the international event and have high-level guests present as well as discuss pressing issues with a selected professional audience.

Building on the successful inaugural edition in 2025, this year's Ammo Symposium continues to provide a **unique platform to discuss the most pressing challenges and solutions in ammunition procurement**. Leading representatives from industry, politics, and the military will convene to highlight progressive and proven strategies, as well as innovative approaches to support a resilient ammunition supply.

Titled **“MASTERING THE AMMUNITION PROCUREMENT IN TIMES OF COMBAT READINESS: From Strategies and Solutions to Joint Planning and Supply,”** the symposium focuses on strategic procurement, joint planning, and supply considerations in an increasingly complex environment.

The international speakers include

- high-ranked members of the armed forces, such as Lieutenant General Kai Rohrschneider (Commander Allied Joint Support and Enabling Command, NATO) and Major General Adrian Ciolponea (SACT Representative Europe, NATO),
- representatives of governmental or executive bodies, e.g. Ignas Marcinkevičius (Defence Stream Lead, Invest Lithuania) and Micha Comnick (Policy Assistant to the Director-General, European Commission, DG DEFIS),
- and expert speakers from the defence industry, for instance Joakim Sjöblom (CEO, Sweden Ballistics) as well as Wolfgang Kudoke (Vice President Operations, RWS GmbH).

The program brings together **leading experts from across Europe and beyond** for an exclusive, high-level exchange, featuring expert presentations, best-practice insights, and a

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concluding panel discussion with key stakeholders from across the ecosystem - designed for a selected audience shaping the future of ammunition procurement.

Alexandra Cristea, Vice President Sales/R&D of the RWS GmbH and moderator of the event, emphasizes the importance of joint planning and the role of innovation in meeting evolving requirements: “Ammo Symposium 2026 is about connecting strategy, industry, and armed forces to strengthen Europe’s alertness. Combat readiness starts long before the first round is fired: it starts with strong partnerships, joint planning, and strategic procurement.”

THE KEY INFORMATION:

- **WHAT:** Ammo Symposium 2026 @Enforce Tac
- **WHEN:** February 24, 2026 | 10:30 AM – 03:00 PM
- **WHERE:** NürnbergMesse, NCC Ost, Room St. Petersburg, Nuremberg, Germany
- **HOW:** Registration for attendance required:
<https://www.enforcetac.com/en/programme/expert-symposia#ammo-symposium>

Enforce Tac and the Ammo Symposium address a professional audience from armed forces, authorities, and relevant institutions. Media representatives may apply for journalist accreditation.

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FROM STRATEGIES AND SOLUTIONS TO JOINT PLANNING AND SUPPLY

After its success in 2025, the Ammo Symposium 2026 follows the footsteps of its predecessor providing a unique platform to discuss the most pressing challenges and solutions in ammunition procurement. Leading representatives from industry, politics and the military will come together on February 24, 2026 at the Enforce Tac exhibition in Nuremberg/Germany, the annual international trade fair for internal and external security, to highlight progressive and proven strategies as well as innovative approaches for a resilient ammunition supply.

Join leading experts from across Europe and beyond for an exclusive, high-level exchange – featuring expert presentations, best-practice insights and a concluding panel discussion with key stakeholders from across the ecosystem, designed for a selected audience shaping the future of ammunition procurement.



Petra Wolf, Member of the Executive Board and Senior Vice President Product Management, Nürnberg Messe GmbH
“As innovation cycles accelerate and requirements grow increasingly complex, the Ammo Symposium and Enforce Tac provide a safe space for in-depth exchange and responsible discussion among experts.”



Dirk Prehn, General Manager, RWS GmbH
“Innovation is the key to a more secure future of ammunition production. To meet the rising requirements, we need to rethink technology, quality, and speed of production.”



Alexandra Cristea, Vice President Sales/R&D, RWS GmbH
“Ammo Symposium 2026 is about connecting strategy, industry, and armed forces to strengthen Europe’s alertness. Combat readiness starts long before the first round is fired: it starts with strong partnerships, joint planning, and strategic procurement. Proud to moderate this year’s session on February 24 at Enforce Tac in Nuremberg.”

A FIRST GLANCE AT SOME OF THE TOPICS:

Lieutenant General Kai Rohrschneider
Commander Allied Joint Support and Enabling Command, NATO
“Enabling deployment and sustainment of largescale NATO forces is one of our greatest challenges. The ammunition industry is playing a decisive role in strengthening NATO’s capability to deter and defend by ensuring credible, ready, and sustainable forces.”

Major General Adrian Ciolponea
SACT Representative Europe, NATO
“The war in Ukraine has fundamentally changed how we think about ammunition: scale, speed, resilience, and interoperability are no longer planning assumptions – they are operational imperatives.”

Ignas Marcinkevičius
Defence Stream Lead, Invest Lithuania
“Regulation is only the starting point. Real acceleration happens when governments learn from live projects and actively remove bottlenecks without compromising safety. Lithuania’s experience demonstrates that speed in defence manufacturing is built on coordination, trust, and adaptive governance. Not shortcuts.”

Joakim Sjöblom
CEO, Sweden Ballistics
“As CEO of Sweden Ballistics, I’ve spent the last years obtaining a detailed understanding of energetics supply chains. To achieve combat readiness and mastering access to large caliber ammunition, security of supply and production capacity is essential.”

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