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## **REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS (RFP) ON THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE DEFENCE INDUSTRY FUND (DIF) – Reference: DIF1117**

The South African Parliament approved the Defence Review in June 2015, which is designed to ensure that the South African National Defence Force (SANDF) has adequately capacitated and equipped for all ordered operations in South Africa and the rest of Africa. This requires the local defence industry to embark on extensive research and development, and massive production of relevant equipment. However, one of the key challenges to local SMMEs in the defence industry is access to finance. It was against this background that Armscor and the AMD – the defence industry association – set out to establish an independent Defence Industry Fund (DIF). It is envisaged that, through the DIF, the local SMMEs in the defence industry will be able to compete in the global defence market; it will also help with the transformation of the industry by introducing new entrants into the industry, while ensuring security of supply of strategic and sovereign capabilities to the SANDF.

Proposals are requested from licenced financial service providers who will be able to structure and operate the DIF. This Request for Proposals (RFP) seeks to appoint an operating company that will manage the DIF and provide financial services to the defence industry. The DIF operating company will be able to source and disburse funds in line with its own policies and criteria.

The original RFP can be downloaded (free of charge) from the following websites:

- [www.amd.org.za](http://www.amd.org.za)
- [www.armscor.co.za](http://www.armscor.co.za) **RFP document (RFP for DFI)**

**Compulsory Briefing Session:** 29 November 2017 at 13h00 – 16h00

**Venue for the Briefing Session:** Armscor Building, 370 Nossob Street (cnr Delmas Drive and Nossob Street), Erasmuskloof Ext 4, Pretoria, 0001.

**Closing Date:** 31 January 2018 at 11h00.

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