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## Launch of the first European Federation of Security Drones Drones4Sec

Drones and robots for land, air and sea Innovation / Experiments / Cybersecurity / New industrial sector

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The first federation of security drones DRONES4SEC was launched on

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At the Société d'Encouragement pour l'Industrie Nationale 4 Place Saint Germain des Prés, 75006 PARIS

Faced with the growing use of drones, European players in the field have decided to join forces by launching today the very first European federation for security drones, Drones4Sec. The stated objective? To defend a model of European sovereignty in the field of robotics and drones, by encouraging innovation and intra-European technological cooperation, and to convince decision-makers of the need for data protection.

Covering air, land and sea drones, Drones4Sec was founded on the initiative of major French players in the field: Obvious Technologies, Onera, Orange Cyberdefense, Parrot, Photonis, Shark Robotics, Wisekey. The PARROT group, represented by its head of security Victor VUILLARD, is the president, while Shark Robotics is the vice-president. The company ZENON7, specialised in European Affairs and Economic Diplomacy, will be the General Secretariat. Mr. Thierry BERTHIER will be the scientific advisor. The first working groups of the Federation have been created, and in particular the creation of the Automatic Flight group led by the company HOVERSEEN. Icarus Swarms by Dronisos also confirmed his wish to join the federation by taking the lead of the college on the swarm flight. DRONES4SEC thus brings together drone manufacturers, suppliers of components or strategic expertise, and suppliers of software solutions that orchestrate drone deployment or exploit the data from drones.

The use of security drones is increasingly becoming part of the daily life of companies and authorities, with a view to increasing their efficiency while protecting people. For example, aerial or ground drones are used to search for people following a natural disaster, or to support humans in dangerous situations such as fires. Drones are also increasingly being integrated by companies, some of which operate critical infrastructure for Member States, to map their facilities or public space, inspect infrastructure and buildings, or carry out physical or fire surveillance of their sites. Robotics and drones are an extension of humans and a valuable aid. Their contribution will grow in the coming years thanks to the autonomy made possible by progress in artificial intelligence.

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DRONES4SEC is a European action tank whose aim is to develop innovations and experiments in European territories with the support of the EU and to strengthen cooperation between European security drone stakeholders. These actions will make it possible to test frameworks of use, respecting European requirements, in order to contribute to the development of European regulations. At a time when the use of drones is becoming more and more a part of the daily life of companies and authorities, the creation of a sovereign, representative and expert federation will reinforce the development of this innovative industry, bringing together European technology companies with strong potential. DRONES4SEC aims in particular to define the criteria of trust, cybersecurity and protection of personal data that the use of drones requires for these new uses and to make decision-makers aware of the importance of choosing trusted drones. Indeed, the requirements of trust, cybersecurity and personal data protection become even more important with the increase in connectivity and autonomous operation, as well as the use of these drones for increasingly sensitive missions.

European users and actors of security drones can find the membership details on the DRONES4SEC website https://www.drones4sec.eu .

The multilingual European and international collaborative monitoring space open to Federation members will also be launched and presented: <a href="https://www.monitoring.drones4sec.com">www.monitoring.drones4sec.com</a>

www.drones4sec.eu https://www.linkedin.com/groups/12492856/ https://drones4sec.cloud/s/rF4jwPAXEdstAMY.

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