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Takeaways

- Social taxonomy & Eco-labelling
 - ASD referred to the FT articles attached and recalled the difficulties of the defence industry to access funding (facing refusals from banks) in many countries, Nordic countries, DE. This affects large and SME companies and not only those doing exports but also those working on national projects. At the moment the financial market operators are the ones deciding what is socially sustainable and they are being faster than the Commission on this.

ASD (1.12.21)

ASD has decided to be more vocal and is preparing an action plan vis-à-vis the financial actors (draft for submission in next ASD board).

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The eco-labelling file appears more worrying than the social taxonomy file but no decision has been taken yet. DEFIS will check the expected timeline of the Commission report on social taxonomy (likely early 2022 even if initially planned for end 2021). **A1 to follow-up**.

- Timo explained that the matter was also raised in the last FAC Defence and that he and François are ready to discuss it at all levels.
- ASD Expert Group and Industrial Forum

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SD asks for DEFIS' help so that the conclusions of the Industrial Forum reflect that (i) our sector is not only market-driven but also strategy-oriented and (ii) our market is properly defined in order to ensure that we are all working on the same page (there are apparent discrepancies on the number of employees

between ASD figures and COM internal market review). **01 to follow-up with GROW**. ASD also worried that civil aeronautics are not properly taken into consideration in the ASD Expert Group.

DEFIS explained how we are mainstreaming defence into general Commission policies (e.g. standardisation, competition policy). On civil aeronautics, it recalled our work with DG MOVE in the Zero Emission Alliance.



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