

Application Guide

Danish Space Technology Call for Request for Interest:

- **GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028**
- **GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028**

Deadline 13th March 2026

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Danish Space Technology Call - Request for Interest

This document outlines the Danish Space technology call for Request for Interest (RFI) for GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028 and GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028, including the process for submitting an RFI.

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1. What can I apply for?

The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science has allocated up to 3,4 M€ for the period 2026-2028 to support Danish companies and research organisations in submitting their interest in GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028 activities and GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028.

This call for RFI invites Danish entities to signal their interest in activities under the GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028 and/or in the GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection programme no later than **13th of March 2026**. The objective is to ensure alignment between ESA work planning and Danish space industry capabilities. Activities and/or (cyber)security products selected in the RFI will be included in open competitive procurements under the GSTP Element 1 Work Plan, leading to successful technology developments and products.

Technology development activities and (cyber)security products presented are 100% ESA funded enabling the cooperation of economic operators. Requests for partial support is acceptable. Collaboration with entities from other GSTP Participating States is encouraged.

Note: This call for RFI is complementary to the previous RFI – GSTP Element 1 “Develop” Compendia 2026 – 2028 OSIP Campaign opened for submissions between 19 September - 7 November 2025.

Entities that have already submitted an Expression of Interest during the earlier campaign have been fully considered and do not need to resubmit. If you wish to update or improve your previous submission, you are welcome to submit a new application form.

Priority selection: If you submit interest in more than one activity and/or (cyber)security product please indicate only one priority once (i.e., “GT17-XXXX” Priority-1; “GT17-XXXX” Priority-2...).

2. Who can apply?

Danish entities must be registered in [esa-star](#) to access the documents and apply.

To submit an RFI for the GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028 activities and GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028, Danish entities must meet the following eligibility requirements:

- Your company or institution must be registered in Denmark.
- Your part of the activity must take place in Denmark.

Invitations to Tender (ITT's) for the activities are issued in esa-star ([esa-star publication](#)) where applicants are responsible to check for updates.

3. Application Steps

Step 1: Read the “GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028” AND/OR the “GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028” documents published on esa-star:

- [GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-2028](#)
- [GSTP \(Cyber\)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028](#)

Step 2: Fill out and submit the form for each activity you want to submit an RFI.

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Link to:

[Danish Space Technology Call:
GSTP Element 1 Compendia 2026-
2028](#)

Link to:

[RFI - GSTP \(Cyber\)Security Prod-
ucts for Space Systems Protec-
tion 2026-2028](#)

Step 3: The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science and ESA will evaluate and announce the list of supported activities by April 2026.

Step 4: Danish entities must check esa-star for ITT openings, deadlines, and fulfil all requirements stated in cover letters and Statements of Work (once Denmark's supported activities are published, The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science has no role in ESA's bidding process).

Step 5: If awarded an ESA contract, inform The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science within five working days of signature and invite The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science to the final presentation after activity completion.

4. Evaluation

All RFI submissions to this call including the responses to the OSIP RFI Campaign held in September-October 2025 will be evaluated by the The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science and ESA.

The intention is to support at least three activities. Therefore, activities may receive partial support.

The evaluation will assess the following:

- Detailed justification for activity selection.
- Well justified activity and/or (cyber)security product priority selection and strategic importance (especially relevant when submitting RFI's for multiple activities and/or (cyber)security products).
- National or international partners (they are strongly encouraged, but not a requirement).
- Number of interest per activity and/or per (cyber)security product from different Danish entities received.

5. Special considerations

The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science will provide ESA with a letter of Authorisation of Funding (AoF) for selected activities, making them eligible for Danish entities. The AoF applies to the activity, not to a specific company; any Danish entity may apply, even without submitting an RFI.

Activities may involve international competition with other GSTP Participating States.

This is the only opportunity to submit an RFI to “GSTP E1 Compendia 2026-2028” activities as well as for “GSTP (Cyber)Security Products for Space Systems Protection 2026-2028” products until further notice.

6. The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science

Contact information

The Danish Space Technology call for RFI is managed by the Space Division in The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science.

If you have any questions concerning the call for RFI, you are welcome to contact The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science for clarification. Potential Danish entities who have no previous experience with the application process at ESA are encouraged to contact The Danish Agency for Higher Education and Science for guidance.

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