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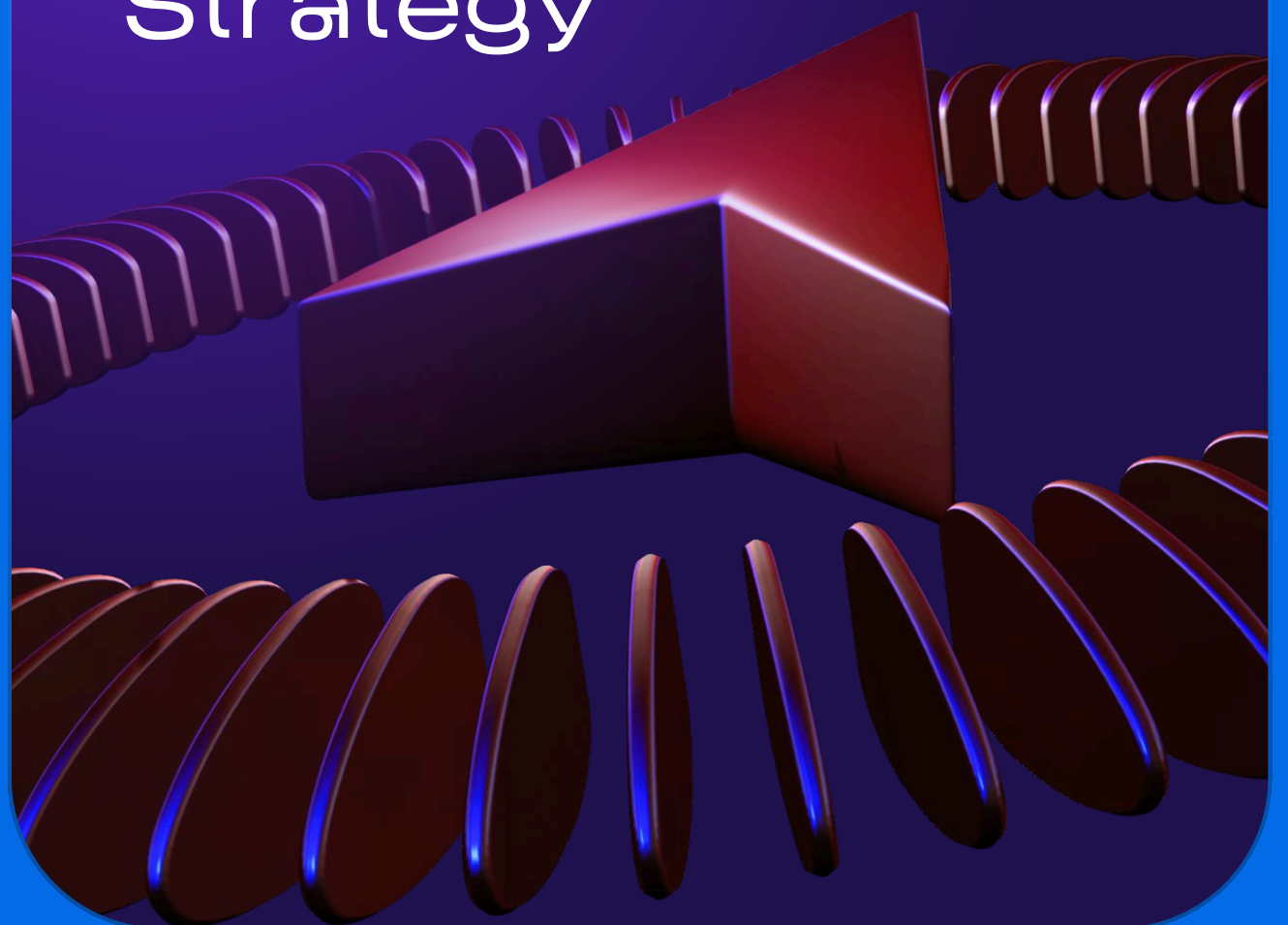
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# Weapons for Allies: Is Ukraine Ready to Become an Exporter of Security?

Ukraine is at a unique point in the development of its defence-industrial complex: dozens of manufacturers have emerged, unique skills have been developed, and some Ukrainian solutions already compete with the best Western models.

In [an article](#) for Ekonomichna Pravda, Oleksii Dorohan, CEO of BRDO, and Taras Yemchura, Head of the Defence Policy Sector, presented the model of controlled export — a solution that minimizes risks while prioritizing the needs of the Armed Forces.



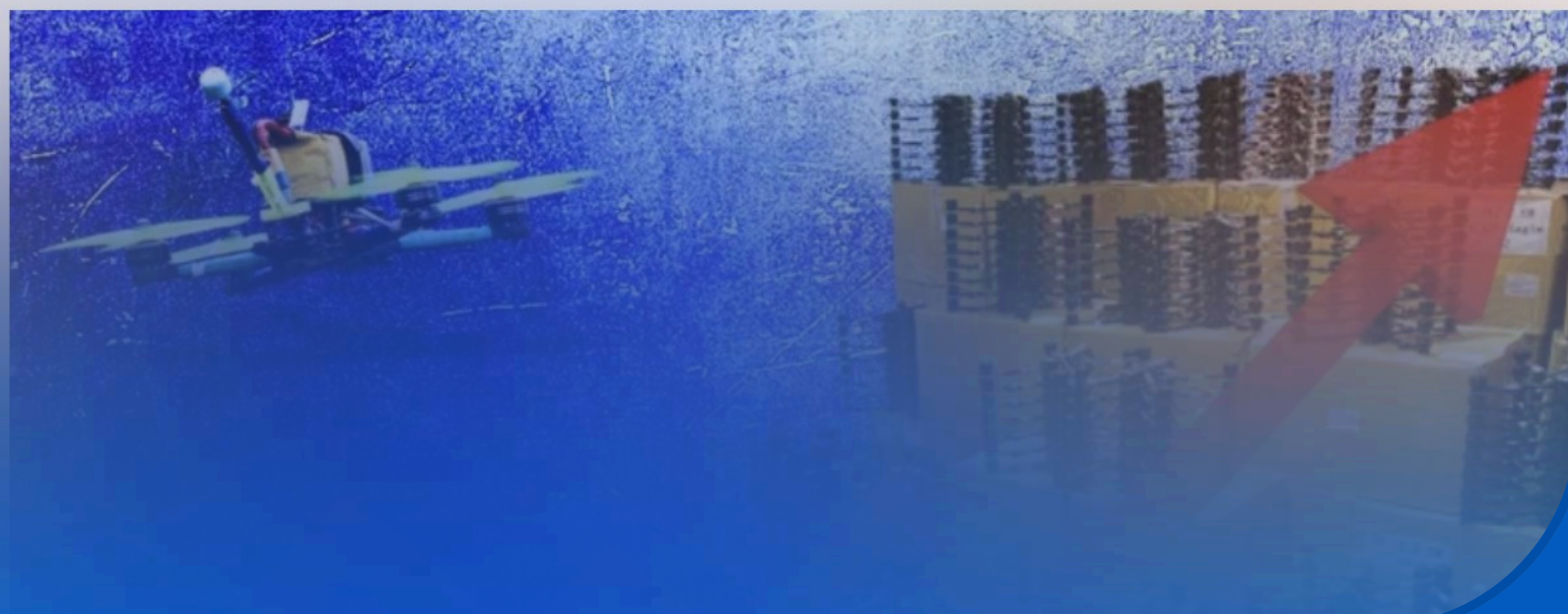
# Defense Valley: How Ukraine Can Become a Security Provider for Itself and Europe

Over the past two years, arms production in Ukraine has increased tenfold: 500 new models, 800 enterprises, and 300,000 specialists. This sector has already become one of the drivers of the economy and holds strong potential for further scaling.

The successes and prospects of the new “Defence Valley” were highlighted by Oleksii Dorohan, CEO of BRDO, [in commentary](#) for BBC News Ukraine.



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# Parliament supports the draft laws for the creation of Defence City

The Parliament has approved draft laws No. 13420 and No. 13421, which provide for the creation of Defence City — a special legal regime for defence-industrial enterprises. Its launch will increase the production of Ukrainian weapons and equipment, foster the development of innovative technologies, attract investment into the sector, and strengthen the capabilities of Ukraine's Defence Forces.

Enterprises of strategic importance to national defence that meet transparency criteria will be able to join Defence City. Residents will benefit from tax incentives until 2036, simplified customs procedures, as well as support for relocation and production security.



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# 97% of private defence industry producers expect lifting of export restrictions – results of the analytical report by Tech Force in UA and BRDO

BRDO, together with Tech Force in UA, has presented a report on the development of Ukraine's private defence industry. The document is based on surveys and interviews with TFUA member companies and highlights the key trends in the sector.

97% of companies are waiting for exports to open up, the median capacity utilisation rate is only 55%, and most innovations are created in direct cooperation with military units.





# The first AI-supported public service has been launched in the ePermit system

Ukraine has launched its first government service using artificial intelligence for automatic document verification. The pilot area is the procedure for obtaining a veterinary licence in the ePermit system.

The system can process documents of varying quality, including handwritten records, by applying a hybrid approach that combines open models, synthetic data, and adaptive algorithms developed specifically for the public sector.



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# BRDO Launches AI Assistant for Exploring the Government's Action Plan

The BRDO team has created an online assistant powered by ChatGPT to help users quickly navigate the new Government Action Plan, presented on August 18.

In a user-friendly format, the assistant explains the government's objectives for 2025–2026, the planned reforms and changes across 12 strategic areas, as well as the specific actions, timelines, and performance indicators set out in the document. The service functions as a regular chat: you can ask any question in any language or choose from a list of suggested queries.

+ Ask about the Government's plans  



# Innovation as a driver of economic growth: Ukraine implements the WINWIN Strategy

In 2024, Ukraine approved the Digital Innovation Development Strategy through 2030 (WINWIN), which defines 14 priority areas — from DefenceTech and MedTech to AgroTech, GreenTech, and AI. To ensure its implementation, the WINWIN Project Office was established.

BRDO contributed to the development of WINWIN and is now actively working on its implementation: analysing barriers to innovation, developing roadmaps, and proposing legislative changes. The areas of focus include AgroTech, MedTech, EdTech, and Semiconductors.



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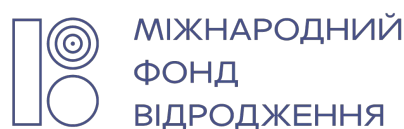


European integration

# Ukraine Prepares Negotiation Position on Fisheries and Aquaculture

Ukraine is forming its negotiating position with the EU on Chapter 13, “Fisheries and Aquaculture”. Regional hearings involving BRDO experts began in August, where businesses can provide feedback on the adaptation of legislation.

Topics include the challenges of industrial fishing, state support, and harmonisation of standards with the EU. The proposals developed will form the basis of Ukraine's negotiating framework.



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# Court Sentences Under the Microscope: What AI Found in Pornography Sentences

Since 2022, BRDO has been advocating for the decriminalisation of adult pornography and has been analysing court practice under Article 301 of the Criminal Code of Ukraine. What did we discover with the help of AI? A quarter of court rulings cite a document that Ukraine has never signed, and one in ten is based on a law that has already been repealed.

How technology helps identify systemic problems in court decisions — in a column by Ihor Samokhodskyi, head of the IT and Telecom sector at BRDO, for Ukrainska Pravda.





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