Poland is entering another year of increased tensions in its international environment. Therefore, the Sobieski Institute and the Eastern Flank Institute have decided to publish a second report addressing the issue of Poland's security.

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Rising defense spending and growing interest in the debate on national security are becoming an integral part of our everyday life. No one questions the sense of these expenditures, but questions are increasingly being asked:

Is taxpayers' money being spent optimally?
Do multi-billion dollar purchases also strengthen Polish entrepreneurs?
How many jobs are created in the defense industry?
Can the arms industry become an engine of economic growth?

Building a strong defense industry serves many purposes at once. First and foremost, it is about security -as evidenced by the war in Ukraine, which shows how important it is to have your own production capacity. It is also about economic development—through innovation, job creation, and arms exports. Poland's defense industry should reflect our national aspirations and role on NATO's eastern flank. The long-term goal is to create a strong domestic industrial and technological base that will meet the needs of the Polish Armed Forces, generate Polish innovation, and compete effectively on global markets. In 2025, a record 4.7% of GDP was allocated to defense.

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We encourage you to read the report!



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