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"As the cost of weapons escalates - with each new militaryjet engine costing over \$1 billion to develop - even the biggest defence firms are looking at forming alliances. Many will be determined case-by-case depending on the systems involved."

- Lewis Cone, B2B Analyst

This report looks at the following areas:

- Technology aids equipment development but also provides new type of threat with cyberattacks on the rise
- Funding gaps are presenting several challenges to the industry

According to NATO, the UK's defence expenditure in 2017 was the equivalent of 2.14% of GDP - down from just over 3% in the early 1990s to just over the current 2%.

The UK is one of only six of the 28 NATO member states that currently spend at least 2% of national wealth on defence - the others are the US, Greece, Estonia, Romania, and Poland.

Pressures on the UK defence budget provide more opportunities for military outsourcing. Private firms can provide a range of military services often undertaken 'in-house' by military units. These comprise equipment support and other support services, including estates and facilities management services.

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