



**EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE COLLEGE
(the European Union Military Staff)**

**Invitation to the
CSDP Orientation Course
(Activity Number 21-22/3/1)**

taking place in Brussels, from 20 to 24 September 2021
organised by the European Union Military Staff and the
European Security and Defence College

The EU Military Staff and the European Security and Defence College have the honour to organise the 10th iteration of the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) Orientation Course, to be held in Brussels, 20 – 24 September 2021.

The CSDP Orientation Course is a major component of EU training activities in the field of the Common Security and Defence Policy. It aims to develop and promote a better understanding of CSDP as an integral part of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) of the European Union. The course will provide you with an overview of the civilian and military aspects of European Security and Defence Policy, and going into more detail as it unfolds.

Within this context, we would like to invite you to participate to the CSDP Orientation Course and support the accomplishment of the ultimate goal of the course: *providing Member States and EU institutions with knowledgeable personnel able to work in CSDP related fields.*

Please find below details concerning the registration process and a draft programme.
The course will be open to third countries and international organisations.

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Annexes:

- Administrative Instructions
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Administrative instructions

- The course is open to both civilian and military personnel. The EU Member States, EU Institutions and Agencies and the CSDP Missions and Operations are kindly invited to nominate each, one participant. However, more seats could be allocated, based on the total number of applications.
- Third countries and international organisations are welcomed to put forward suitable candidates.
- The course capacity is 60 seats, with up to 35 participants from the EUMS (newcomers). **However, the maximum capacity will be dictated by the rules of social distancing in force at the deadline for applications.**
- Applications are to be filed via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST, by designated nominators, under <https://esdc.europa.eu/enlist/login> no later than **6 August 2021**. A list with relevant ENLIST nominators can be retrieved from the ESDC website at <https://esdc.europa.eu/nominators/>.
- Applications from the third countries and international organisations should be sent to the ESDC Secretariat at SECRETARIAT-ESDC@eeas.europa.eu, by the institution/ organisation that receives this invitation. The application should indicate: full name of the candidate (as in official documents used for accessing course venue); personal e-mail address (functional mailboxes will not be accepted); nationality, passport number, validity of passport, date of birth, institution; reason how this course benefits the applicant.
- Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat AND upon completion of the requested personal data in ENLIST by the confirmed participants
- The language regime of the CSDP - *English and French without translation* - applies.
- The course consists of an **eLearning** part done on the ESDC eLearning platform ILIAS, as well as a **residential session** held in Brussels, both parts being compulsory. Attendance of the course is mandatory on all days. A certificate will be awarded to those course participants who have completed the full course, including the eLearning phase.
- The course starts on **16 August 2021** with the eLearning phase. The residential part of the course takes place in Brussels from 20 to 24 September (Monday 13.00 to Friday 12.30). Information on the course venue will be provided in due time to all registered participants.
- All costs for travelling, accommodation and catering during the residential part of the course shall be covered by the sending authorities.
- You can consult the CSDP Orientation Course standard curriculum on the ESDC Website at <https://esdc.europa.eu/curricula/>.

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Draft Programme

Monday, 20/9/2021	Tuesday, 21/9/2021	Wednesday, 22/9/2021	Thursday, 23/9/2021	Friday, 24/9/2021
	<p>08.45-09.00 Overview of the day</p> <p>09.00-10.00 EEAS and Crisis Management Structures</p> <p>10.00-10.30 Coffee Break</p> <p>10.30-11.30 CSDP Decision Making and Crisis Management Procedures</p> <p>11.30-12.30 The EU Rapid Response and EU BG</p>	<p>08.45-09.00 Overview of the day</p> <p>09.00-10.30 EU Missions and Operations</p> <p>10.30-11.00 Coffee Break</p> <p>11.00-12.30 Cooperation with partner organizations and countries. EU-UN/ EU-NATO</p>	<p>08.45-09.00 Overview of the day</p> <p>09.00-10.30 EU Civilian and Military C2 Options.</p> <p>10.30-11.00 Coffee Break</p> <p>11.00-12.30 Emerging threats: Cyber Security, Hybrid Threats & Strategic Communication</p>	<p>08.45-09.00 Overview of the day</p> <p>09.00-10.30 EU Security and Defence Culture</p> <p>10.30-11.00 Coffee Break</p> <p>11.00-12.00 Future of CSDP</p> <p>12.00-12.30 Evaluation Closing remarks Certificates</p>
13.00-13.30 Registration	12.30-13.30 Lunch Break	12.30-13.30 Lunch Break	12.30-13.30 Lunch Break	
<p>13.30-14.00 Intro to Course ESDC Presentation</p> <p>14.00-14.20 Welcome remarks</p> <p>14.20-15.30 The EU Global Strategy</p> <p>15.30-16.00 Coffee Break</p> <p>16.00-17.30 Group Discussions</p> <p>17.30- 19.00 Cocktail reception</p>	<p>13.30-15.00 EU Integrated Approach to Conflict and Crisis</p> <p>15.00-15.30 Coffee Break</p> <p>15.30-17.00 EU civilian and military capabilities. EDA and EU Capability Development</p>	<p>14.30-16.00 The role of the European Parliament in CFSP/ CSDP (visit to the EU Parliament) <i>European Parliament Visits and Seminars Unit</i></p> <p>Group Photo</p>	<p>13.30-14.30 Horizontal issues in CSDP missions and operations (gender and human rights)</p> <p>14.30-15.00 Coffee Break</p> <p>15.00-16.30 EU Intelligence</p>	