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# **Course Curriculum**

To be	Activity	EU Logistics Fundamentals Course	ECTS
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CORRELATION WITH CTG / MTG TRAs	EQUIVALENCES
Military CSDP Training Discipline 3	SQF-MILOF Level 1
(Multinational Logistics)	Focus: Pol Civ-Mil

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EU member States / Institutions /
Agencies / CSDP missions and
operations working in the field of

multinational logistics

Open to:

The training audience will be able to deal with EU logistics, either from a multinational or national position, by gaining increased skills to manage logistics requirements and challenges and by understanding dependencies, enabling processes and supporting functions.

	Learning Outcomes
Knowledge	<ul> <li>LO1. discuss the EU Strategic Compass and related developments, political-strategic measures, EU initiatives and processes;</li> <li>LO2. discuss the EU integrated approach to conflicts and crisis, and its civilian-military logistics capabilities;</li> <li>LO3. discuss the Concept Development Implementation Plan and the hierarchy of logistic conceptual documents;</li> <li>LO4. explain EU logistics and logistics related concepts;</li> <li>LO5. explain civilian-military logistics cooperation and support to EU Crisis Management Planning and Response, and its challenges in missions and operations;</li> <li>LO6. discuss CSDP logistics civilian-military training and education, and CSDP lessons learnt;</li> <li>LO7. discuss EU synergies with International Organisations (NATO, UN), interoperability, standardisation and multinational innovative logistics solutions;</li> <li>LO8. discuss EU disaster response and related EU internal/external cooperation's;</li> <li>LO9. discuss the Coordinated Annual Review on Defence, EDA capabilities, logistics projects, programmes and platforms;</li> <li>LO10. discuss hybrid threats on the example of cyber ecosystem situational awareness and resilience.</li> </ul>
Skills	LO11. assess EU civilian-military logistics structures, organisations, stakeholders, synergies, requirements responsibilities, instruments and challenges; LO12. assess the benefits of PESCO projects and related logistics support; LO13. assess mutual civ-mil and multinational logistic support and synergies for CSDP missions and operations;

	LO14. under limited guidance, advise commanders and superiors on the use of logistics assets,
Responsibility and Autonomy	considering EU's financial mechanism and other instruments, pre-mission solutions, and
	military technical requirements;
	LO15. consider the value of inter-institutional cooperation in logistics, with non-EU bodies (UN,
	NATO, AU, NSPA), third states (ACSA), and multinational organisations (MCCE, MLCC, EATC,
	AMSCC, EUROCORPS).
	LO16. identify logistics assets with cyber-vulnerabilities and conclude possibilities to enhance
	cyber-resilience.

## Evaluation and verification of learning outcomes

The course is evaluated according to the Kirkpatrick model: it makes use of *level 1 evaluation* (based on participant's satisfaction with the course).

In order to complete the course, participants have to accomplish all learning objectives, which are evaluated based on the active contribution in the residential Module, including their syndicate session and practical activities as well as on their completion of the Self-Study-Phases during the residential Module and the eLearning phases: course participants finalise the autonomous knowledge units (AKUs) and pass the tests (*mandatory*), scoring at least 80% in the incorporated out-test/quiz. Active observation by the course director/lead instructor and feedback questionnaire filled by course participants at the end of the course is used.

However, no formal verification of learning outcome is foreseen; proposed ECTS is based on participants' workload only.

The Executive Academic Board takes these factors into account when considering the award of *Certificates* to participants. Module leaders provide an evaluation report for each residential module. The Course Director is responsible for overall coordination, with the support of the ESDC Secretariat, and drafts the *final evaluation report* which is presented to the Executive Academic Board.

### **Course structure**

The residential module is held over five days (one week), and provides basic knowledge of EU logistic policies, principles, concepts and standard operating procedures in CSDP missions and operations.

Main Topic	Suggested Working Hours (required for individual learning)	Suggested Contents
1. EU and EU logistics fundamentals	5 (3)	<ul><li>1.1. EU Strategic Compass and other guiding principles.</li><li>1.2. EU integrated approach to conflict and crisis, and its logistic challenges.</li></ul>
2. EU logistics related functions	4 (1)	<ul> <li>2.1 EU logistics organisations, dependencies and enabling logistics concepts and instruments for Capability Development.</li> <li>2.2 EU logistics stakeholders, responsibilities, synergies and requirements.</li> <li>2.3 Logistics related PESCO projects.</li> </ul>
3. EU logistics enabling processes and supporting functions	8 (4)	<ul> <li>3.1. Logistics support to Crisis Management Planning and Crisis Response, and logistics planning and execution supporting IT-tools.</li> <li>3.2 EU financing mechanism-instruments, and pre-mission solutions.</li> <li>3.3 EDA capabilities, logistics projects, programmes and platforms.</li> <li>3.4 Standardization, codification and technical requirements.</li> <li>3.5 EU cyber environment in the logistic domain and cyber resilience.</li> </ul>
4. EU external relations related to EU logistics	4 (0)	<ul> <li>4.1. EU logistics synergies with other international organisations (NATO, UN) and multinational innovative solutions.</li> <li>4.2 EU logistics relationships and cooperation with third entities.</li> <li>4.3 EU disaster response and related cooperation</li> </ul>

TOTAL	49 (7)	
8. Syndicate topic 3	3 (1)	8.1 Multinational logistics cooperation in the field and on HQ level – discussion in syndicates and presenting/discussion of results to/with plenary.
7. Syndicate topic 2	3 (1)	7.1 Case study on using financial instruments in support of missions and operations – discussion in syndicates and presenting/discussion of results to/with plenary.
6. Syndicate topic 1	3 (1)	6.1. Cooperative logistics projects benefits and challenges for logistics – discussion in syndicates and presenting/discussion of results to/with plenary.
5. EU logistics in CSDP missions and operations	4 (1)	<ul><li>5.1. Introduction to EU missions and operations, and its logistics challenges.</li><li>5.2 EU Capability Planning Overview.</li><li>5.3 Multinational logistic arrangement.</li><li>5.4 CSDP logistics training and lessons learnt.</li></ul>

#### Materials

#### Required:

AKU 4 CSDP Crisis Management Structures and the Chain of Command AKU 6 CSDP Decision Shaping/Making Further course pre-study phases documentations AKU 55 EU Strategic Compass

#### Recommended:

AKU 1 History and context of CSDP.
AKU 2 EU Global Strategy.
AKU 7 Impact of Lisbon Treaty on CSDP.
AKU 21 Intercultural competences.
AKU 106 A, B, C, D, E, F Hybrid Warfare
ESDC Handbook on CSDP.
EU Missions and Operations.
EU Concept for Logistic Support for EUled Military Operations and Missions.

Other publications on logistics related issues, and supplemental material aimed to enhance knowledge on main topics and syndicate work.

#### **Additional information**

The maximum number of participants per course will be 40 (minimum number is 12).

The content of the course is LIMITE.

The principles of gradual development of proficiency in learning will apply. This course is a pre-requisite to attend the EU Logistics in Operations Course. It is further recommended to accomplish the CSDP Orientation course in advance.

In order to facilitate discussions between course participants and EU personnel, as well as speaker of different IOs, the Chatham House Rule is applied during the course: "participants to the EULFC are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speaker(s), nor that of any other participant, may be revealed".