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Invitation to the Training of Trainers Course on
**Investigating and Preventing Sexual and
Gender-Based Violence in Conflict Environments**

Böblingen, Germany, 16-27 October 2023

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The Baden-Württemberg State Police College, on behalf of the German Federal Ministry of the Interior and Community and in close cooperation with the Swedish National Courts Administration, is organising the **Training of Trainers Course on Investigating and Preventing Sexual and Gender-Based Violence in Conflict Environments** under the aegis of the European Security and Defence College.

The course aims to enhance the capacity of mission personnel to integrate a gender perspective into their work to prevent and address sexual and gender-based violence. Participants will gain the necessary knowledge, tools and skills to mainstream this perspective into their work, including when reporting and supporting ongoing investigations.

The European Security and Defence College and its partners are committed to an inclusive, gender-sensitive and discrimination-free environment. Therefore, we are pleased to receive applications from all eligible candidates regardless of age, gender, ethnicity, national origin, disability, religion or belief.

For more information, please see the administrative notice and the application form in the attachments.

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Administrative Notice

Target audience

Civilian and military personnel from EU Member States, EU institutions, bodies and agencies, as well as staff of CSDP missions/operations who wish to promote gender equality and end impunity in cases of sexual and gender-based violence. Applicants for this course should have a particular interest in conducting such training in fragile and post-conflict situations within and outside the mission structure. The course is also open to third countries and international organisations.

The course is particularly useful for staff in investigative or advisory roles who have experience in law enforcement, the judiciary and other specialist areas. It is also useful for gender and human rights advisers.

Selection procedure and criteria

A course admissions committee of subject-matter experts will examine all timely applications and seek to select a highly qualified group of participants to ensure the established course standard. The selection process will aim to achieve a balance in terms of professional and organisational background, age, nationality and gender. Qualified female candidates are strongly encouraged to apply!

Places

As places are limited to 16 participants, only the best-suited applicants will succeed. Only **selected applicants** will receive detailed joining instructions approximately two weeks after the closing date for applications.

Application

Use the application form provided to submit your application and include a CV and a short letter of motivation. Please provide an active personal email address to receive relevant course-related information. The duly completed application form and attachments must be sent by email to Mr Michael Müller, Michael.Mueller3@polizei.bwl.de, by the specified deadline.



Personal data protection

We will maintain the confidentiality of any information you provide to us and will only share it with fellow course organisers in accordance with the EU Data Protection Regulation.

Deadline for registration

15 September 2023

Course language and expected attendance

English is the working language. Participants must be fully proficient in English in order to participate in the discussions and benefit fully from the training. There will be no concessions for late arrivals or early departures from the course. Attendance is compulsory on all days. Absences from the course may disqualify the participant from receiving the course certificate.

Time

The course starts on Monday, 16 October at 10:00 and ends on Friday, 27 October at 14:00. Daily approximate times are 08:00-17:00.

eLearning

Participants are required to complete selected eLearning modules in the preparatory phase preceding the residential part of this course. The timely completion of these eLearning modules is a precondition for receiving the course certificate. A stable internet connection and ongoing availability via email are therefore compulsory for participants, particularly in the preparation (non-residential) phase.

Certificate

Successful participants will receive an official ESDC certificate at the end of the residential course phase. Participants must successfully complete both the pre-residential eLearning modules and the residential phase to receive the certificate.



Costs

The ESDC courses are a capacity-building measure by EU Member States for personnel working in, or soon to deploy to CSDP missions and operations. EU Member States have agreed on the following cost-sharing arrangement: the country where the ESDC course takes place is the course host and covers all general course-related costs, while the sending Member States cover the cost of the individual participants sent (see details below).

Travel and accommodation

The State Police College offers full board and lodging for a reduced fee to be borne by the sending authorities. The total amount for board and lodging is € 675. There is no catering available during the weekend. Participants are expected to arrive in Böblingen on Sunday, 15 October between 14:00 and 21:00. Please be aware that there is no compensation for travel expenses and there are no scholarships available. Participants must cover their visa fees and any extra costs incurred during the course (laundry, phone and other personal expenses).

Insurance

Participants must possess valid health insurance during their stay in Germany. The Baden-Württemberg State Police College and the course host will not cover any medical costs, even in an emergency.

Location

The course will take place in Böblingen, Germany (address: Wolfgang-Brumme-Allee 52, D-71034).

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