

## Curriculum

To be reviewed by <i>February 2021</i>	Activity number <b>47</b>	<b>International Contracting Course</b>	<b>ECTS 4</b>
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<u>Target audience</u>	<u>Aim</u>
Participants should be senior level experts (civil and military personnel) working in areas related to <i>Contractor Support to Operations</i> (CSO). Priority is given to the personnel from EU Member States deploying to CSDP missions and operations.	<p>This three-weeks-course is aimed to enhance the knowledge and understanding of a comprehensive CSO approach within the EU framework. It also increases the information sharing, collaboration and cooperation among the different actors, namely military, civilian supplier, in the wider context of CSO.</p> <p>The course shall provide an opportunity to create a network of people working in fields of CSO.</p>

Learning outcomes	Knowledge	List frameworks, stakeholders, tools, processes, instruments and principles of CSO as well as the main structures and roles of European institutions Identify the main trends, capabilities and principles (e.g. ATHENA, NSPA/OLSP) in CSO Name the strategic management tools and the relevance of European organisations and networking
	Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Demonstrate intercultural awareness</li> <li>- Identify best practices and lessons learned</li> <li>- Diversify between European and international legislation, agreements and treaties</li> </ul>
	Competence	<p>Assess the concept and principles of CSO</p> <p>Evaluate the core soft skills of CSO</p>

### 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 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.

At the end of the course, the participants have to pass a written and oral test on the following topics: fundamentals of CSO; service provision in mission abroad; service provision via NSPA; Athena, international accounting; contracting exercise run during training. **However, no formal verification of learning outcome is foreseen; proposed ECTS is based on participants' workload only.**

### Course structure

Main topic	Recommended working hours (of that eLearning)	Contents
Basics Contractor Support to Operations (CSO)	43	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamentals of CSO on the base of on-going missions</li> <li>• Main key- players</li> </ul>

Service provision in mission abroad	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamentals of service provision in mission abroad</li> <li>• Fundamentals of contract law; case studies</li> </ul>
Partner instruments and tools	15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fundamentals of contractual service provision via NSPA</li> <li>• Operational and organisational structure of NSPA</li> </ul>
ATHENA -EU International Accounting	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Contractual service provision in mission abroad using the example of EUBG</li> <li>• Procurement regulations</li> </ul>
Contracting Exercise (ContrEx)	24	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Problem based learning; case studies as a ContrO in a theatre</li> </ul>
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<u>Materials</u>	<u>Additional information</u>
<p><i>Recommended eLearning:</i>  AKU 1 'History'  AKU 2 'EU Global Strategy'  AKU 4 'Crisis Management Structures and Chain of Command'  AKU 10 'Mediation'  AKU 15 'Armaments Cooperation'  AKU 21 'Intercultural Awareness'  AKU 29 'Working in Conflict Affected Areas'</p> <p>HANDBOOK ON CSDP  Handbook "International Contract Law"  English for contract and company law, 3rd Edition; Chartrand, Millar and Wiltshire; ISBN: 978-1-84703-446-5  Athena financial rules</p> <p><i>Suggested supplementary material:</i>  OLSP user manual final  Convention on International Sale of Goods (CISG)  Regulation No 1215/2012 of the European Parliament  Regulation (EC) No 593/2008 on the law applicable to contractual obligations (Rome I)  Regulation (EC) No 864/2007 on the law applicable to non-contractual obligations (Rome II)  LI/LL Ecolog  EDA- In theatre MEDEVAC  Procurement and contracting procedures  EU Concept for Contractor Support to EU- led military operations  EEAS 00754/14 agreed by the EUMC on 04 April 2014  EU generic minimum standards – EUMS dated 20/11/2006  LI/LL EUBG 2012-2, 2016-2</p>	<p>All course participants have to prepare for the residential module by going through the relevant eLearning preparatory phase, which is mandatory.</p> <p>In order to facilitate the discussion between course participants and trainers, experts, guest speakers etc., the <b>Chatham House Rule</b> is enforced during the residential part of the course: "<i>participants 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</i>".</p>