

## ESDC Basic Course on Security Sector Reform

### Logistic and Admin Details

1. In accordance with the ESDC policy, the course has no tuition-fees.
2. The costs for travel, lodging and meals shall be covered by respective sending authorities.
3. EU Member States, Bodies and Agencies are kindly invited to nominate their candidates and send their applications (via ESDC secure internet ENLIST system) by their respective designated nominators at <https://esdc.europa.eu/enlist/login>.
4. Personnel (full name and e-mail address) from EU Candidate Countries and other invited Countries may be admitted upon request to the ESDC Secretariat ([secretariat-esdc@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:secretariat-esdc@eeas.europa.eu)).
5. **Applications can be submitted until 10 September 2025.**
6. The final admission to the course is subject to the official confirmation by the ESDC Secretariat who will send an official e-mail for the registration on ILIAS platform.
7. The course will be run upon reaching the minimum number of 15 participants.
8. A specific **joining form** and a subsequent detailed **info-package** (to describe PCOSC premises and its access procedures) will be sent to all the admitted participants once registered on ILIAS.
9. The course will consist of the following two mandatory phases:
  - Internet-based Distance Learning (IDL) Phase:  
It will take place 15-29 September 2025. During this phase participants will be required to complete the following Autonomous Knowledge Units (AKUs):
    - ✓ *AKU 2 The European Security Strategy*;
    - ✓ *AKU 6 EU CSDP decision shaping/making*
    - ✓ *AKU 11A Gender and the UNSCR 1325 women, peace and security agenda*.
  - Residential phase  
Upon completion of the IDL phase, participants will be admitted to attend the residential phase which will take place from 30 September to 3 October 2025 in Turin at the *Italian Army Post Conflict Operations Study Centre - PCOSC* (Via Confienza, 16 – 10121 Torino). This phase will consist of frontal lessons and panel discussions during which participants will be encouraged to interact one each other and with the lecturers as much as possible.
10. English will be the working language during the course. Attendance is mandatory all days. Those participants who will have successfully completed the full course will be awarded with a certificate.
11. Points of Contact:
  - For Administrative Issues
    - ✓ ESDC Secretariat at [enver.ferhatovic@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:enver.ferhatovic@eeas.europa.eu)
  - For Contents and Logistics
    - ✓ The ITA Army PCOSC Secretariat at [infocspco@scuff.esercito.difesa.it](mailto:infocspco@scuff.esercito.difesa.it).



**THE EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE COLLEGE  
AND  
THE ITALIAN ARMY POST CONFLICT OPERATIONS STUDY CENTRE**

**ESDC BASIC COURSE ON SSR**

**PROVISIONAL SYLLABUS**

*Turin, 30 September – 3 October 2025*

DATE	TIME		ACTIVITY	NOTES
	From	To		
<b>TUESDAY</b> 30 September 2025	08:30	08:40	Admin Issues	
	08:40	08:55	The Italian Army Post Conflict Operations Study Centre (PCOSC)	
	08:55	09:15	Course Director's welcome address and round-table presentation	
	09:15	09:45	Introduction to the ESDC	
	09:45	10:15	Coffee Break	
	10:15	10:45	Course Introduction	
	11:00	11:45	Framing SSR – part 1	
	12:00	12:45		
	13:00	14:00	Lunch	
	14:00	14:45	Framing SSR – part 2	
	15:00	15:40		
	15:40	16:00	Course Picture	
	16:00	16:30	Guided tour of the “Arsenal Palace”	
	19:30	22:30	“Social Event”	

DATE	TIME		ACTIVITY	NOTES
	From	To		
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 1 October 2025	08:30	08:45	Admin Issues	
	08:45	09:30	The EU approach to SSR	
	09:45	10:30		
	10:30	11:00	Coffee Break	
	11:00	11:45	Building integrity	
	12:00	12:45		
	13:00	14:00	Lunch	
	14:00	14:45	Introduction to DDR	
	15:00	15:45		
	16:00	16:30	Open Discussion	

DATE	TIME		ACTIVITY	NOTES
	From	To		
THURSDAY 2 October 2025	08:30	08:45	Admin Issues	
	08:45	09:30	The Defence Sector Reform	
	09:45	10:30		
	10:30	11:00	Coffee Break	
	11:00	11:45	The EU military component in SSR (EUTM Somalia)	
	12:00	12:45		
	13:00	14:00	Lunch	
	14:00	14:45	The EU civilian component in SSR (EUCAP Somalia)	
	15:00	15:45		
	16:00	16:30	Open Discussion	

DATE	TIME		ACTIVITY	NOTES
	From	To		
FRIDAY 3 Ocother 2025	08:30	08:45	Admin issues	
	08:45	10:00	Open Discussion	
	10:00	10:30	Coffee break	
	10:30	11:15	Feedback	
	11:15	11:30	Closing remarks	
	11:30	12:00	Graduation ceremony	
	12:00		End of course	