



CENTRE FOR SECURITY COOPERATION



CSDP Orientation Course

Ohrid, Republic of North Macedonia

9 – 13 October 2023

Tentative programme

(23-24/3/3)

Austrian National Defence Academy, Vienna
Military Academy “General Mihailo Apostolski”, Skopje
RACVIAC Centre for Security Cooperation, Zagreb

Course Venue

Hotel Bellevue/Metropol Lake Resort – Ohrid

Course Directors

Ms Sandra Kick
and
Col Prof Dr Mitko Bogdanoski

Monday 9 October 2023

08:30 – 09:00	Registration
09:00 – 10:00	<u>Opening statements and course outline</u> • <i>Ms Sandra KICK</i> <i>Austrian National Defence Academy, Vienna</i> • <i>Col Prof Dr Mitko BOGDANOSKI</i> <i>Military Academy “General Mihailo Apostolski”, Skopje</i>
10:00 – 10:30	Group photo and coffee break
10:30 – 10:45	<u>Introduction</u> <i>Ms Jessica GUSSARVIUS</i> <i>The European Security and Defence College</i> <i>European External Action Service, Brussels</i>
10:45 – 12:15	<u>The European Union – European strategies and policies within the framework of the CSDP</u> <i>Dr Sven BISCOP</i> <i>Egmont Royal Institute for International Relations, Brussels</i>
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch break
13:15 – 14:45	<u>Recent developments in the CSDP</u> <i>Dr Jochen REHRL</i> <i>Austrian Military Representation to the EU and NATO, Brussels</i>
14:45 – 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 – 16:45	<u>The EU's integrated approach to crisis management</u> <i>Mr Marcus HOUBEN</i> <i>Netherlands Ministry of Defence, Amsterdam</i>
16:45	Summing up
18:00 – 20:00	Ice-breaker reception with words of welcome <i>Col Christian SMUTEK</i> <i>Austrian Defence Attaché, Skopje & Belgrade</i>

09:00 – 10:30	<u>CSDP Missions and Operations, Capability Development, EU Crisis Management Procedures and Crisis Response Mechanism</u> <i>Dr Jochen REHRL</i> <i>Austrian Military Representation to the EU and NATO, Brussels</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 – 12:15	<u>Regional aspects of the CSDP – perspectives on Ukraine</u> <i>Mr Christoph BILBAN (vtc)</i> <i>Austrian National Defence Academy, Vienna</i>
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch break
13:15 – 14:45	<u>Regional aspects of the CSDP – perspectives on Africa</u> <i>Dr Gerald HAINZL</i> <i>Austrian National Defence Academy, Vienna</i>
14:45 – 15:15	Coffee break
15:15 – 16:45	<u>Regional aspects of the CSDP – the Western Balkans</u> <i>Dr Predrag JUREKOVIĆ</i> <i>Austrian National Defence Academy, Vienna</i>
16:45 – 18:15	<u>North Macedonia's EU expectations</u> <i>Gen Prof Dr Metodi HADJI-JANEV</i> <i>Military Academy "General Mihailo Apostolski", Skopje</i>
18:15	Summing up
	Free evening

Wednesday 11 October 2023

09:00 – 10:30	<u>The EU Maritime Security Strategy</u> <i>Mr Marcus HOUBEN</i> <i>Netherlands Ministry of Defence, Amsterdam</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 – 12:15	<u>Security and irregular migration in the Western Balkans, expert facts and scholarly findings</u> <i>Dr Sandra CVIKIĆ</i> <i>Institute of Social Sciences Ivo Pilar Regional Center, Vukovar</i>
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch break
13:15 – 13:45	<u>Introduction to parallel breakout groups</u> <i>Ms Sandra KICK</i> <i>Col Prof Dr Mitko BOGDANOSKI</i>
13:45 – 17:00	Culture event in Ohrid
17:00 – 21:00	Hosted dinner

Thursday 12 October 2023

09:00 – 10:30	<u>Working with CSDP partners – experiences from the field</u> <i>Gen Prof Dr Metodi HADJI-JANEV</i> <i>Military Academy “General Mihailo Apostolski”, Skopje</i>
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break
10:45 – 12:15	<u>Panel discussion: emerging security challenges</u> • Challenges in cybersecurity <i>Col Prof Dr Mitko BOGDANOSKI</i> <i>Military Academy “General Mihailo Apostolski”, Skopje</i> • Challenges for the European energy sector N.N. (tbc)
12:15 – 13:15	Lunch break
13:15 – 15:00	<u>Parallel breakout groups</u>
15:00 – 15:30	Coffee break
15:30 – 17:30	<u>Parallel breakout groups</u>
18:30 – 21:00	Official dinner

Friday 13 October 2023

08:30 – 10:00	<u>Presentation of breakout groups results</u>
10:00 – 10:30	Coffee break
10:30 – 12:30	<u>Protection of civilians under the CSDP</u> <i>Ms Susanne GYÖRÖG (vtc)</i> <i>Austrian Centre for Peace, Stadtschlaining</i>
12:00 – 13:00	Lunch break
13:00 – 14:00	<u>Future prospects for the CSDP</u> <i>Dr Riccardo SCALAS</i> <i>Netherlands Defence Academy, The Hague</i>
14:00 – 15:00	<u>Closing remarks</u> • <i>H.E. Ambassador Martin PAMMER</i> <i>Austrian Ambassador to North Macedonia, Skopje & Belgrade</i> • <i>H.E. Ambassador Constantin-Mihail GRIGORIE</i> <i>Director of RACVIAC Centre for Security Cooperation, Zagreb</i> • <i>Representative from the North Macedonia Ministry of Defence (tbc)</i> <u>Certificate ceremony</u> • <i>Ms Sandra KICK</i> <i>Austrian National Defence Academy, Vienna</i> • <i>Col Prof Dr Mitko BOGDANOSKI</i> <i>Military Academy “General Mihailo Apostolski”, Skopje</i>
from 15:00	Individual departures



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