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Invitation to a  
**CSDP Orientation Course**  
in Kyiv, Ukraine, from 25 to 29 October 2021

Since 2014, the European Union, Austria and Ukraine has conducted a 'European week' at the National Defence University of Ukraine with three events within one week, namely a CSDP conference, a CSDP orientation course and a CSDP alumni seminar.

After a brief COVID-break in 2020, Austria and Ukraine are happy to invite you to send participants to the CSDP Orientation Course to be conducted from 25 to 29 October. This course is part of the European Union's Eastern Partnership programme and hence will reach out to all five partner countries.

The Orientation Course was designed for officials newly assigned to working with or within the Common Security and Defence Policy. It is one of the most popular training activities of the European Security and Defence College and provides participants with a thorough knowledge of the European Union, the security strategies, CSDP structures and procedures, and capability development within the EU environment, as well as CSDP missions and operations. The last two days of the programme are dedicated to regional aspects and horizontal issues regarding CSDP.

For sixteen years now, the European Security and Defence College has been providing first-class training based on real-time training needs and requirements. Thanks to its network structure, the college can call on about 160 training institutes in the EU's Member States and partner states. All participants who successfully complete the ESDC training activities will be awarded with a certificate of attendance signed by the High Representative of the European Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy. The certificate is recognised by all 27 EU Member States and the EU institutions. The EU, Austria and Ukraine would very much appreciate your participation.

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***GenLt Anatolii SYROTENKO***

Commandant of the National Defence University of  
Ukraine named after Ivan Cherniakhovskyi



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## Fact Sheet

- The course is **open to both civilian and military personnel** from EU Member States, EU institutions and agencies, all of which are invited to nominate up to two participants each, up to an overall maximum of 60 participants. Eastern Partnership countries may nominate up to 5 participants.
- The language regime of the CSDP will apply (**English and French without translation**).
- **Attendance at the course is mandatory** on all days. A certificate will be awarded to those course participants who have completed the residential course and the eLearning phase.
- **Nomination:**  
Only participants with a **valid proof of vaccination or convalescence** will have access to the location. Please make sure that your nominees fulfil these criteria.
  - EU member states and EU institutions/agencies are invited to make use of the ENLIST system (eRegistration).
  - Nominations from the Eastern Partnership countries should be sent not later than **26 September 2021** to [jochen.rehrl@bmlv.gv.at](mailto:jochen.rehrl@bmlv.gv.at). The nomination of one country (= up to five participants) shall be compiled in one document.
- **Costs:**
  - The CSDP orientation course is run within the Eastern Partnership panel on CSDP managed by the European Commission. All costs relating to participation by the Eastern Partnership beneficiaries are therefore covered by the European Commission. As soon as the organisers have received your nomination, a selection board will accept and confirm your participants. The European Commission will then contact the participants in order to arrange flights and accommodation (incl. a moderate daily allowance).
  - To facilitate this process, please make sure that each candidate has a valid **personal email address!**
  - The sending authorities of the other participants from EU member states and EU institutions/agencies will have to cover their costs related to the course (NO course fee).
- The **course venue** is the National Defence University (NDU) in Kyiv (<http://nuou.org.ua/>). Details of the programme, dress code, lecturers etc. will be made available in the practical information after the completion of the selection process.
- The course will start on 27 September with the eLearning phase. The residential part of the course will take place in Kyiv from 25 to 29 October 2021 (Monday 0930 to Friday 1400). The first two days are conducted in the format of a conference in order to allow more participants to attend the lectures.
- Attached you can find a draft programme. Before the course in Kyiv starts, an updated programme will be distributed. When the participants' list is finalised, the designated course director, Dr Jochen Rehrl, will contact the participants on their personal e-mail address.

### COVID measures:

- Participants and lecturers will require a proof of vaccination or convalescence. These requirements will be checked at the entrance. **No valid proof of vaccination or convalescence, no access to the activity.**
- Face masks must adequately cover the nose and mouth. "Adequately" is defined as when the mask is correctly positioned over the mouth, nose, cheeks and chin and the edges of the mask close tightly around the face, in order to minimize the amount of air entering and leaving around the sides of the mask. Face shields alone do not fulfill these criteria and are thus not permitted.
- Hand disinfectant dispensers will be permanently installed in the entrance areas.



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## Draft programme

# CSDP Conference, Orientation Course and Alumni Seminar

*Kyiv/Ukraine, 25 – 29 October 2021*

<b>Monday, 25/10</b>	<b>Tuesday, 26/10</b>	<b>Wednesday, 27/10</b>	<b>Thursday, 28/10</b>	<b>Friday, 29/10</b>
<b>0830 – 0900</b> Registration <b>0900 – 0930</b> Welcome <b>0930 – 1030</b> CSDP - State of affairs <b>1030 – 1100</b> Health break <b>1100 – 1200</b> EU's Global Strategy	<b>0900 – 1000</b> CSDP missions and operations <b>1000 – 1030</b> Health break <b>1030 – 1130</b> Strategic Communication <b>1130 – 1230</b> Green Deal	<b>0900 – 1030</b> Cyber Security <b>1030 – 1100</b> Health break <b>1100 – 1230</b> Conflict analysis I	<b>0830 – 1830</b> Study visit: Strategic Missile Museum near the town of Pobuzke  (bus will leave from the hotel)	<b>0930 – 1045</b> Panel: Future of CSDP <b>1045 – 1115</b> Health break <b>1115 – 1145</b> Evaluation and award ceremony
<b>1200 – 1400</b> Lunch break	<b>1230 – 1400</b> Lunch break	<b>1230 – 1330</b> Lunch break	<b>1230 – 1330</b> Lunch break	
<b>1400 – 1500</b> Why CFSP/CSDP? <b>1500 – 1530</b> Health break <b>1530 – 1630</b> Integrated Approach <b>1630 – 1700</b> ESDC	<b>1400 – 1500</b> Capability development <b>1500 – 1530</b> Health break <b>1530 – 1630</b> EU Policy towards Eastern Europe	<b>1330 – 1745</b> Conflict analysis II+III  <b>1630 – 1745</b> National alumni seminar: Green Deal		
<b>1800 – 2100</b> Icebreaker (hotel)		<b>1800 – 2100</b> Reception (NDU)		

**CSDP orientation course**

**CSDP conference**

**CSDP alumni seminar**

The events are conducted within the annual work programme of the EaP panel on 'security, CSDP and civil protection' and the academic programme of the European Security and Defence College (ESDC).