

# **ESDC Course on Strategic Planning for Civilian Missions**

Activity Number 2025/07/01

## **PROGRAMME Online 28 – 29 August 2025**

**Thursday, 28 August**

to join the course on day 1 – Link to the session.

09:00 – 09:45 Opening Session

- Welcoming by the Course Directors and Presentation of the Programme – “Why strategic – what strategic?”
- Presentation of Participants
- Presentation of ESDC by Training Manager Enver FERHATOVIC, ESDC

09:45 – 10:45 Ukraine and the EU

- Message from the EUAM Ukraine
- Team Europe in Kyiv – Ukraine in EU accession
- EU Security guarantees incl. EUMAM Ukraine and EU’s military support to Ukraine

10:45 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:00 “Security Union” - The recent security development of the European Union 2025

- EU Integrated Approach to conflict and crisis
- EU Strategic Compass and the White Paper of European Defence
- Preparedness Union strategy and Internal Security Strategy

12:00 – 13:00 Lunch Break

13:00 – 14:30 Civilian CSDP Compact

- The Concepts & Mini-Concepts
- The Civilian Capability Development Process

14:30 – 14:45 Coffee Break

14:45 – 15:30 Humanitarian Assistance – Development – Peace: Conceptual and operational aspects in relation with the Triple Nexus

15:30 – 16:15 Climate Change, Environmental Degradation, Security and Defence

16:15 – 16:30 Wrap-up and discussion with Participants

## Friday, 29 August

to join the course on day 2 – [Link to the session.](#)

09:00 – 10:30 Planning for Civilian CSDP: The role of the EEAS & the Crisis Management Procedures

EEAS, PCM.3

10:30 – 11:15 Crosscutting issue 1 - Cooperation with Civil Society Organisations (CSOs)

11:15 – 11:30 Coffee Break

11:30 – 12:15 Crosscutting issue 2 – The Human Rights & Gender Dimension in CSDP

12:15 – 13:00 CSDP Knowledge-Management as a key to more effective Civilian CSDP

13:00 – 14:00 Strategic planning in the course – aim and the mind-set 2025

- Presentation of the Exercise Scenario & the Skill Drills Project

14:00 – 14:30 Wrap-up and discussion with Participants

- Guidance to homework and residence course

End of online module

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### PROGRAMME Residential module 8 – 12 September 2025

Location: At the EU institutions, Schuman – address TBC

| Monday, 8 September 2025   | Tuesday, 9 September 2025   | Wednesday, 10 September 2025  | Thursday, 11 September 2025   | Friday, 12 September 2025   |
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| 09:30 – 10:00<br>Official Opening<br>Ambassador, AT<br>Ambassador, FI<br>10:00 – 11:00<br>Introduction to conflict analysis<br>11:00 - 11:15 Coffee Break<br>11:15 – 12:45<br>Conflict analysis/mapping<br>exercise based on the scenario<br>Ukraine (group work)<br>12:45 - 13:30 Lunch Break<br>13:30 – 15:30<br>Conflict analysis/mapping<br>exercise based on the scenario<br>Ukraine (group work &<br>reporting back)<br>15:30-15:45 Coffee Break<br>15:45-17:15<br>Civilian administration and<br>governance - which role for<br>CSDP – and Ukraine? | 09:00 – 10:30<br>Integrated Approach in planning<br>processes – ensuring the HDP<br>nexus<br>10:30 – 12:00<br>Strategic vs. Operational CSDP<br>Planning<br>- Cases, exercise<br>12:00-13:30 Lunch Break<br>13:30 – 14:30<br>Economy of War and Crisis<br>Management – financial, human<br>and other parameters<br>14:30 – 16:00<br>PeaceTech: Technology and RDI<br>for Conflict Prevention, Civilian<br>Crisis Management and<br>Peacebuilding<br>16:00 – 17:30<br><b>Simulation exercise:</b> drafting<br>the key elements of a Crisis<br>Management Concept CMC for<br>Civilian CSDP (group work) | 09:00 – 13:00<br><b>Simulation exercise:</b> drafting<br>the key elements of a Crisis<br>Management Concept for<br>Civilian CSDP (group work)<br><i>continued</i><br>13:00 – 14:30<br>Lunch Break<br>14:30 – 17:30<br>Simulation exercise: drafting the<br>key elements of a Crisis<br>Management Concept for<br>Civilian CSDP (group work)<br><i>continued</i> | 09:00 – 12:30<br><b>Simulation exercise:</b> drafting<br>the key elements of a Crisis<br>Management Concept for<br>Civilian CSDP (group work)<br>12:30 - 14:00 Lunch Break<br>14:00 – 17:00<br>Simulation exercise: conclusion<br>of group work | 09:00 – 12:00<br>Feedback Session on<br><b>Simulation exercise:</b> drafting<br>the key elements of a Crisis<br>Management Concept for<br>Civilian CSDP: presentations of<br>the groups to the plenary and<br>moderated discussion<br>12:00 - 13:00<br>Official Closing<br>Feedback discussion and<br>Handing of Certificates |