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EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE COLLEGE

INVITATION TO THE “CLIMATE CHANGE AND SECURITY” COURSE

Paris, October 17-19, 2023 (Activity Number 23-24/52/1)

Ecole Militaire / Military School

(1 Place Joffre, 75007 Paris)

France and Germany have the honor to organize, with the European Security and Defence College (ESDC), a course dedicated to “Climate Change and Security”. This course is jointly organized by the French Institute for Higher National Defence Studies (IHEDN) and the think-tank *adelphi*, as part of the Climate Diplomacy initiative supported by the German Federal Foreign Office. This course will take place in Paris, from October 17 to October 19, 2023.

During the last years, we observed an acceleration of both global warming effects and initiatives to limit the climate crisis, which is increasingly posing risks to international peace and security. To help safeguard international security and stability, the European Union needs to connect climate change policies with crisis prevention and peacebuilding approaches and integrate these efforts into existing regional and sectoral policies. Climate change will also affect our armed forces, implying new challenges and missions.



To this end, the interactive training course/seminar will increase participants' understanding of:

- global climate change scenarios and the risks these imply for peace and international security ;
- key international and European actors, policies and critical debates in the climate change and security context ;
- the concepts of compound climate-related security risks and integrated action for resilience-building, how they are linked to conflict prevention, and what this implies for EU external action, peace operations and CSDP operations ;
- the adaptation of our armed forces to climate change, with new missions and a greener defence model ;
- how climate-related security risks play out in specific contexts (with a case study) ;
- how to account for climate-related security risks in the day-to-day work of EU and Member states' institutions and services.

The course is open to civil servants and military personnel from EU Member States and EU institutions, especially those dealing with strategic and operational aspects of climate change, defence and security issues interested in updating and deepening their knowledge on this matter. Academics and members of the business community from the EU Member States can also be nominated to participate in this seminar. Attendees will, throughout this seminar, have the opportunity to benefit from the expertise of various representatives and specialists from EU institutions and Member States on climate-related security risks, including the way defence can adapt without losing operational capacity.

The course will consist of an e-learning preparatory phase as well as a residential course in Paris which will be held from October 17 to October 19, 2023. Both parts of the course are mandatory.

The EEAS is committed to promoting gender equality and to preventing discrimination on any grounds.



Therefore, it is with great pleasure that we invite you to this “Climate Change and Security” Course. You will find below all the details regarding the registration process for this course.

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Annex A

“CLIMATE CHANGE AND SECURITY” COURSE

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Administrative Instructions

- The course will take place in Paris, in a residential format, at the Ecole Militaire, 1 place Joffre. It is open to civilian and military personnel from EU Member States and EU institutions / agencies.
- Application: are to be filled via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST, by designated nominators, under <https://esdc.europa.eu/enlist/login>, no later than 27th September 2023. A list with relevant ENLIST nominators can be retrieved from the ESDC website at <http://esdc.europa.eu/nominators/>. Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat and upon completion of the requested personal data on ENLIST by the confirmed participants.
- The participant's attendance during the course is mandatory on all days. A certificate will be awarded on the last day to the participants who have completed the whole seminar, including the e-learning modules.
- E-Learning: a mandatory eLearning module (Internet-based Distance Learning - IDL) will be scheduled from 02nd October 2023 and will have to be finalized before the course starts.
- All costs for travelling, accommodation and catering during the residential part of the course shall be covered by the sending authorities.
- Liabilities and Insurance: In case of medical emergencies, the costs should be covered by the participant's medical insurance provided by the sending country/organization. The organizer does not provide health or accident insurance for participants taking part in the event.
- Further detailed information regarding this course will be forwarded via e-mail directly to course participants as soon as the attendance list is confirmed.

POC: for any issue concerning the application, registration, nomination processes, please contact:

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Annex B

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TENTATIVE PROGRAM

Tuesday, October 17 th 2023	
Registration / Welcome coffee	
Opening address	
Global Climate change scenarios and impacts	
The relevance of the different global warming indicators	
Key international and European actors and policies	
The climate crisis as an impediment to peace	
Interactive group work: Climate-security hotspot mapping	
Wednesday, October 18 th 2023	
European Union action plan across Diplomacy, Development and Defence	
Armed forces and defense industry contribution to mitigate and adapt	
Energy: an issue of sustainable development, autonomy and operational effectiveness for Defence	
Training activity: Negotiating a UNSC resolution on climate security impacts	
Thursday, October 19 th 2023	
Shoring Up Stability in the Lake Chad basin: a case study of interlinking climate and security risks	
Interactive group work: Integrating climate-security risks into programs (linked to the Case study)	
The impact on climate change on Human security, Peace operations and CSDP missions and operations	
How can climate security risks be better integrated into professional routines?	
Closing speech	
Certificate hand-out	