



FRENCH INSTITUTE FOR HIGHER NATIONAL DEFENCE STUDIES  
EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE COLLEGE

## INVITATION TO THE COURSE

### “ INTELLIGENCE SECURITY IN THE EU: CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES ”

Brussels, 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> November 2021

A. Borschette conference center

The French Institute for Higher National Defense Studies (IHEDN) has the honor to organize, within the European Security and Defence College (ESDC), a course entitled “Intelligence security in the EU: challenges and opportunities”. This course will take place in Brussels, from November 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021.

If espionage has existed since the first civilizations, intelligence as an institutional asset has been developed during the 20<sup>th</sup> century. It's nowadays both a key element of strategic autonomy for powerful states but also it could be used by malicious entities to destabilized countries or institutions. The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) voted by the European parliament in 2016 or the toolbox set out to identified risks and established mitigating measures to address security risks related to the rollout of 5G, agreed by the Member States and endorsed by a Commission Communication in January 2020, are two examples of how the EU actively protects the data of its citizens, institutions and companies.

Moreover, to help safeguard international security and stability and also to build a strong and coherent Strategic Compass to protect its interests on a long-term view, the European Union needs to cooperate on this domain of active intelligence to disperse the fog of uncertainty.

To this end, the interactive training seminar will increase participants' understanding of: the diversity of intelligence challenges, from an historical approach to the last technological progress ;



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the cooperation already existing within Europe but also with NATO and how to improve its effectiveness ; the day-to-day way to better protect information and data.

The course is open to civil servants and military personnel from EU Member States and EU institutions, more specifically dealing with strategic and operational aspects of intelligence, Defence and security issues and willing to update and deepen their knowledge on that matter. Academics and members of the business community from the EU Member States can also be nominated to participate in this course. Attendees will, throughout this course, have the opportunity to benefit from the expertise of various representatives and specialists from EU institutions and Member States on intelligence security risks and opportunities.

The training will consist of an e-learning preparatory phase, on one hand, as well as a residential seminar in Brussels which will be held from November 23<sup>rd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021. Both parts of the course are mandatory. It will be delivered in the working languages of the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP), both English and French. No translation will be provided for this course.

Therefore, it is with great pleasure that we invite you to this “Intelligence security in the EU: challenges and opportunities” course. You will find below all the details regarding the registration process for this course.

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Brussels, 23<sup>rd</sup> – 25<sup>th</sup> November, 2021

### Administrative Instructions

- The course will take place in Brussels, in a residential format, at the Borschette conference center.
- It is open to civilian and military personnel from EU Member States and EU institutions / agencies.
- Applications are to be filled *via* the ESDC secure internet system *ENLIST*, by designated nominators, under <https://esdc.europa.eu/enlist/login>, **no later than November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2021**. 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 language regime of the CSDP – French and English without translation – applies.
- 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 course, including the e-learning modules.
- The course will be preceded by a mandatory e-learning module (**set to start from November 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021** on the ESDC e-learning platform *ILIAS*) **which needs to be finalized before the residential phase of the course starts**.
- All costs for travelling, accommodation and catering during the residential part of the course shall be covered by the sending authorities.



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- Due to the COVID-19 situation, social distancing rules and measures will be in place (additional information on that matter will be provided prior to the course). All participants must follow Belgian regulations and guidelines.
- POC
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### DRAFT PROGRAM

Tuesday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup> 2021	
Registration / Welcome coffee	
Opening address	
A short history of intelligence	
The diversity of fields	
Sensors and intelligence cycle	
The technological challenges	
Wednesday, November 24 <sup>th</sup> 2021	
Intelligence and democracy: the challenge of terrorism	
Intelligence cooperation within police	
The EU intelligence center	
The military intelligence coordination	
Intelligence college in Europe: a new way a cooperation	
Thursday, November 25 <sup>th</sup> 2021	
Intelligence in other cultures	
Cyber-intelligence in the EU	
How to better protect our data	
Closing speech	
Certificate hand-out	