INVITATION LETTER

5th EU - ASEAN Security and Defence Policy Seminar

Brussels, 28–30 June 2022

It is our great pleasure to inform you that the **5th EU - ASEAN Security and Defence Policy seminar,** will be held in Brussels, from 28 to 30 June *2*022, in collaboration with the EU *Enhancing Security Cooperation In and With Asia* (ESIWA**)** project, and under the aegis of the European Security and Defence College.

The event will bring together security and defence officials, and experts, from the EU and ASEAN.

This edition of the EU-ASEAN Security and Defence Policy seminar will focus on three thematic areas: *crisis management/peace-keeping operations, cyber security and maritime security*.

The objective of the seminar is to go beyond the mutual sharing of information and exchange of experiences. Participants are encouraged to identify and discuss concrete opportunities for cooperation activities between ASEAN and the EU in these thematic areas.

The three-day seminar will be held in English, with a maximum of 70 participants.

The event is open to mid-ranking and senior civilian, military officials from ASEAN countries and EU Member States. Participants will have the opportunity to exchange views, share best practices and network amongst themselves and with representatives from EU institutions and Member States. An additional opportunity for concrete exchanges could be offered through breakout sessions if the spectrum of participants' profiles makes it possible to organise them.

On behalf of the European Union and ASEAN, we are very pleased to invite you to this event. For further information, please refer to the annexes - registration until close of business 22 May 2022.

Igor Driesmans
EU Ambassador to ASEAN

Dirk Dubois
Head of ESDC

Annexes

1. Draft programme
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ANNEX 1– Draft Programme

EU-ASEAN Security and Defence Policy Seminar			
Day 0 (Monday 27 June)			
19.00 – 21.00		***Ice-breaking event***	
Day 1 (Tuesday 28 June)			
Brussels time	**Jakarta time**	**Activity**	**Speaker**
D1 - Morning			
09.00 - 09.30	14.00 – 14.30	Registration - coffee	
09.30 - 09.35	14.30 - 14.35	Opening remarks by EU	EU - TBD
09.35 - 09.40	14.35 - 14.40	Opening remarks by ASEAN	ASEAN - TBD
1st session: Global security context			
09.40 - 10.10	14.40 - 15.10	EU global security perspective	EU-TBD
10.10 - 10.40	15.10 - 15.40	ASEAN security view on the region	ASEAN (ASEC or from one specific ASEAN MS)- TBD
10.40 - 10.55	15.40 - 15.55	Q&A	
2nd session: EU and ASEAN Security and Defence Policy developments			
11.00 - 11.30	16.00 - 16.30	EU strategic compass	EU - TBD
11.30 - 11.40	16.30 - 16.40	Q&A	
11.40 - 12.10	16.40 - 17.10	Security and Defence Component of EU Strategy for Cooperation in the Indo-pacific	EU-TBD
12.10 - 12.20	17.10 - 17.20	Q&A	
12.30 - 14.00	17.30 - 19.00	Lunch break	
D1 – Afternoon			
2nd session: EU and ASEAN Security and Defence Policy developments (continued)			
14.00 – 14.30	19.00 – 19.30	ASEAN Political Security Pillar	ASEAN - TBD
14.30 – 14.40	19.30 – 19.40	Q&A	
14.40 - 15.10	19.40 - 20.10	ASEAN Outlook On the Indo-Pacific ; internal synergies	ASEAN - TBD
15.10 – 15.20	20.10 – 20.20	Q&A	
15.20 – 15.30		recommendations for next day and explanations of breakout sessions	ESDC

Day 2 (Wednesday 29 June)			
D2 – Morning			
09.00 - 09.30	14.00 – 14.30	registration - coffee	
3rd session: Maritime Security			
09.30 - 11.00	14.30 - 16.00	EU perspective Introduction Possible joint naval activities CRIMARIO / IORIS / SHARE.IT Maritime Law Enforcement Agencies Cooperation Exchange of experience	 SECDEFFPOL (TBC) ATALANTA (TBC), CRIMARIO (TBC) Advancing the EU's Role in Multilateral Fora in Asia (EU-funded) Project (TBC) ESIWA (TBC)
11.00 - 12.30	16.00 - 17.30	An ASEAN perspective	ASEAN - TBD
12.30 - 12.45	17.30 - 17.45	Q&A	
12.45 - 13.45	17.45 - 18.45	Lunch break	
D2 – 'Afternoon'			
4th session: Cybersecurity			
13.45 – 15.00	18.45 – 20.00	EU perspective	EU - TBD
15.00 – 16.15	20.00 – 21.15	ASEAN perspective	ASEAN (TBD)
16.15 - 16.30	21.15 - 21.30	Q&A	
16.30 – 17.30		2 breakout sessions: Maritime Security and Cybersecurity	EU and ASEAN experts - TBD
19.30 – 21.30		Official Dinner	
Day 3 (Thursday 30 June)			
D3 – Morning			
09.00 - 09.30	14.00 – 14.30	registration - coffee	
5th session: PKO and Crisis Management			
09.30 – 10.45	14.30 – 15.45	EU perspective	EU - TBD
10.45 – 12.00	15.45 – 17.00	ASEAN perspective	ASEAN - TBD
12.00 – 13.00		Breakout session: PKO and Crisis Management	EU and ASEAN experts - TBD
13.00 – 14.00		Lunch break	

D3 – 'Afternoon'			
14.00 – 14.15	19.00 – 19.15	Report of the maritime security breakout session	Rapporteur of the group to be chosen in session
14.15 – 14.30	19.15 – 19.30	Report of the Cybersecurity breakout session	Rapporteur of the group to be chosen in session
14.30 – 14.45	19.30 – 19.45	Report of the PKO – Crisis Management breakout session	Rapporteur of the group to be chosen in session
14.45 – 15.00	19.45 – 20.00	Q&A	
15.00 – 15.30	20.00 – 20.30	- ASEAN and EU Closing remarks - official picture	ASEAN – TBD EU - TBD

ANNEX 2– Participants Administrative Instructions

1. **Target group**
   - The seminar is open to mid-ranking and senior civilian, military personnel from ASEAN and EU Member States, exercising responsibilities for defence and security affairs in the areas of crisis management/peace-keeping operations, cybersecurity and/or maritime security, as well as relevant officials from the ASEAN Secretariat.

2. **Nominations**
   - ASEAN Member States may nominate up to three officers/officials: one working in the area of crisis management/peace-keeping operations, one working in the area of cybersecurity, and one working in the area of maritime security.
   - The ASEAN Secretariat may nominate three officials.v
   - EU Member States may nominate up to two officials.
   - Two or three academics, expert in the thematic areas, could also be invited.

   The total number of participants is limited to seventy.

3. **Applications**
   - Applications from ASEAN Member States should be submitted for processing to EU Delegations in ASEAN countries. EU Delegations will forward applications to ESDC (SECRETARIAT-ESDC@eeas.europa.eu), with cc the EU Delegation to ASEAN in Jakarta Col Sylvain Louvet sylvain.louvet@eeas.europa.eu)
   - Applications from the EU Member States and EU Institutions and Agencies should be submitted via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST, by designated nominators, under https://esdc.europa.eu/enlist/login. A list with relevant ENLIST nominators can be retrieved from the ESDC website at https://esdc.europa.eu/nominators/.

4. **Deadlines**
   - The deadline for nominating participants is 22 May 2022. Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat.
   - Acceptance of participants will be confirmed by 24 May 2022.

5. **Language**
   - The working language of the seminar is English, without translation.

6. **Dress code**
   - “Smart Business”
   - Military daily uniform (short sleeves)

7. Travel, accommodation and visa costs

Participants from ASEAN countries and the ASEAN secretariat

- The ESIWA project will cover the travel and accommodation costs of participants from ASEAN countries and the ASEAN secretariat, according to EU rules and regulations.
- As soon as the list of participants has been confirmed by ESDC, the ESIWA project team will contact each participant individually, to discuss their travel and accommodation needs.
- Participants should not make their own travel or accommodation arrangements until they have been contacted by ESIWA. Unless otherwise agreed, the ESIWA project team will be responsible for reserving international transport for participants to attend the seminar in Brussels and for reserving their accommodation in Brussels.
- Participants are responsible for checking that they meet all requirements for entry to Belgium (visa, PCR test….).
- If a visa is required, participants are responsible for obtaining it. Costs for visas and PCR tests, if they are required, will be reimbursed by the ESIWA project, upon presentation of the relevant invoices, according to EU financial rules and regulations.

Participants from EU Member States

- The travel and accommodation costs of participants from EU Member States will not be covered by the ESIWA project or ESDC.
- Participants from EU Member States are responsible for making their own travel and accommodation arrangements to participate in the seminar. Costs will be covered by each EU Member State according to their national regulations.

8. Attendance

- Ice-breaker reception (27th June evening).
- Seminar dinner (29th June evening).
- At the end of the seminar, participants will receive an official certificate of attendance.

9. Points of contact

ESDC

Maria-Grazia Romano is the main Point of Contact.

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Col Sylvain Louvet is the main POC for the ASEAN participation (liaison with the Philippines DA (as Philippines is the ASEAN country coordinator to the EU), the other ASEAN MS DAs in Jakarta and the EU Delegations in the ASEAN MS.

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