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# Invitation to the ESDC/EDA European Armaments Co-operation (EAC) Course

## EAC Awareness Level (Activity Number 22-23/25/1) Brussels, 24 – 26 October 2022

## EAC Expert Level (Activity Number 22-23/25/2) Amsterdam and Den Helder, 21 – 25 November 2022

In the framework of the European Security and Defence College, the European Defence Agency and the Austrian Ministry of Defence are pleased to invite delegates to the **two modules** of the **European Armaments Cooperation Course for 2022**.

The aim of the **European Armament Cooperation (EAC) Course** is to enhance mutual understanding in armament cooperation by critical analysis of the armaments sector; identifying the frameworks, stakeholder's tools and processes, understanding the challenges at stake and benefits at EU level. The Course will deliver commonly educated EAC managers who are able to participate efficiently in international armament cooperation projects, predominantly in the CSDP-context.

The course is aimed at personnel working in related posts to national and international armament cooperation, who need to gain knowledge and experience in multilateral project management and acquisition processes. In addition, the course supports experts, able to perform in future leadership positions in the wider defence area.

The **European Armament Co-operation Course** is structured in two consecutive modules: a three-day residential **Awareness Level Course** running over the period 24 - 26 October 2022 at the **European Defence Agency** (EDA) in Brussels, and a five-day residential **Expert Level Course** conducted over the period 21 – 25 November 2022 at the Marine Etablissement Amsterdam (MEA) and the Royal Netherlands Navy Base in Den Helder, supported by the **Netherlands Ministry of Defence**.

The knowledge imparted from the Awareness Level Course forms the basis for the Expert Level Course. Participation in the Expert Level Course is therefore only possible if the Awareness Level Course has been completed first. Additionally, modules of the Internet Distance Learning (IDL) of the ESDC are prerequisites for attending the EAC course.

We are therefore very pleased to invite you to this ESDC training activity in support of the Common Security and Defence Policy. For further information, please refer to the outline curriculum and the administrative details in the annexes.

*Brussels and Vienna, 06 June 2022*



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## Administrative Details

### European Armament Co-operation (EAC) Course 2022 - EAC Expert Level - ESDC Activity number 22-23/25/2

#### Sending Parties

- The **European Armament Co-operation (EAC) Course** is open to participants from all EU Member States, participating Member States of the EDA (incl. Norway, Switzerland and Serbia), candidate countries, relevant EU institutions and agencies.
- Participation by course participants from candidate countries is subject to the existence of a **security agreement and an administrative arrangement with EDA** at the time when the course starts.
- For all participants, an EU Security Clearance "**Restraint UE**" is mandatory. This document has to be presented at the first day of the course.

#### Modalities

- The maximum size of the course will be limited to 40 participants.
- The course will be preceded by the European Armament Co-operation Course – Awareness Level. The residential part of the course will take place in the Netherlands (Amsterdam and Den Helder) from 21 to 25 November 2022.
- Participant's attendance at the course is mandatory on all days. A certificate of attendance signed by the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy will be awarded on the last day of the course.
- The completion of the Awareness Level Course is a prerequisite for attending the Expert Level.

#### Registration of participants

- EU Member States, EU institutions and relevant agencies are invited to identify their appropriate candidates via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST by their designated nominators.  
A list with relevant ENLIST nominators can be retrieved from the ESDC website at <https://esdc.europa.eu/nominators>.  
Confirmation of participation will not be final until provided by the ESDC Secretariat.
- Other invited parties are expected to **send the full name and the E-mail address** of their candidates to the **ESDC Secretariat** under [secretariat-esdc@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:secretariat-esdc@eeas.europa.eu) in order of priority. **The registration period will end on 19 October 2022.**

- Selection of the course participants lies in the responsibility of the organizers.

### **Support**

- Communication between participants, the organizers and the ESDC secretariat will make use of email and internet.
- Sending authorities will bear all costs related to the participation to the course, including accommodation, food and travel expenses.

### **Languages**

The language regime of the CSDP will apply.

### **Course venue**

The course will be hosted by The Netherlands Ministry of Defence jointly with ESDC, EDA and the Ministry of Defence of the Republic of Austria.

The course venue will be the **Marine Etablissement Amsterdam (MEA) from 21-24 November** and the **Royal Netherlands Navy Base in Den Helder on 25 November**.

### **Accommodation**

Accommodation at **Hotel Ibis Amsterdam Centre Stopera** is available for course participants at a rate of **€ 119.00 EUR** per room. The room rates include breakfast and excludes city tax (3.5 EUR per person per night).

Course participants are kindly requested to confirm booking of a room by **19 October 2022 COB**, using the attached booking form.

*Contact details for the hotel:*

*Mr. Thomas RIJKEN  
Tel: +31 6 8304 6300  
e-mail: [tf.rijken@mindef.nl](mailto:tf.rijken@mindef.nl)*

### **Costs**

Invitations by The Netherlands Ministry of Defence:

- Coffee breaks and lunches within the programme,
- Icebreaker Reception,
- Official Dinner;

All other costs outside of the programme are at course participants' expenses.

### **Transportation**

The hotel is located 10 min walking distance from the course venue.

### **Dress Code**

Dress code will be civilian business attire.

### **Note**

In case of food allergies or dietary restrictions, please inform Mr. Rijken.

## Points of Contacts

### **Administrative Issues:**

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Conference DMO  
European Armaments Cooperation Course- Expert Level  
20.11.2022 – 25.11.2022

**Hotel Reservation request for:**  
Hotel Ibis Amsterdam Centre Stopera  
Valkenburgerstraat 68  
The Netherlands  
Tel : +31 20 53 19 158  
Fax : +31 20 53 19 145  
Email : [H3044@accor.com](mailto:H3044@accor.com)

Arrival date: \_\_\_\_\_

Departure date: \_\_\_\_\_

All rooms have bathrooms with shower and toilet.  
All below mentioned rates are including breakfast and excluding 7% city tax

- Single room for 1 person      € 119.00
- Double room for 2 persons      € 139.00

Name Guest : .....

Address/City : .....

Country : .....

Telephone : ..... Fax number: .....

E-mail : .....

Credit card number : .....

Expiry date : .....

Conditions:

1. Please book your reservation before **19 October 2022**
2. After this date rooms will be reserved on availability basis only
3. All mentioned prices are inclusive of service and VAT.
4. The hotel only accepts reservations guaranteed with a credit card number and expiry date.
5. The payment will be done in the hotel directly.
6. The hotel room is available as of 14.00 hrs on the day of arrival.
7. The check out time is before 12.00 hrs on the day of departure.
8. Please note **if cancelled or modified later than 14 days before arrival, the first night of the reservation will be charged.**
9. Please note **if cancelled or modified later than 7 days before arrival, or in case of no show, the total price of the reservation will be charged.**
10. Please return the filled out form to e-mail: [H3044-RE@accor.com](mailto:H3044-RE@accor.com)

To be completed by the hotel:

Confirmation number .....

Confirmed by: .....

Date: .....