

Invitation to the course Civilian aspects of EU crisis management 6 – 8 May 2025

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The National Defence Institute of Portugal and the European Security and Defence College (ESDC) are jointly organising a training course entitled ‘Civilian aspects of EU crisis management’. The course will take place from Tuesday 6 May to Thursday 8 May 2025 in Brussels.

The primary objective of the course is to enhance a common understanding of the civilian aspects of EU crisis management among personnel from Member States, EU institutions, and EU agencies involved in EU crisis management. It aims to improve participants’ understanding of EU crisis management decision-making processes and to identify and outline relevant common security and defence policy (CSDP) instruments at the EU level, including the Civilian Compact, the Strategic Compass, and Lessons Learned.

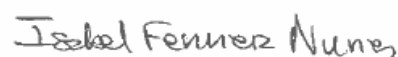
Tailored to professionals from various civilian and military institutions across Member States, EU institutions, and relevant agencies, the course will examine current and future trends, challenges and opportunities within the field of civilian crisis management. Through this initiative, it aims to raise awareness of how international organisations, regional, and local actors can foster enduring partnerships in the civilian crisis management domain.

Participants will have the opportunity to learn from experts from EU institutions and Members States, and to share best practices in civilian crisis management.

We cordially invite you to nominate participants for this course.



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Factsheet

Eligibility

The course is open to civilian and military personnel from EU Member States, EU institutions, and other relevant EU agencies. Invitations are also extended to non-EU countries and international organisations.

Application Process

- Applications must be submitted by **4 April 2025** through designated nominators via the ESDC ENLIST Nominators secure internet system.
- Registration is considered final only after the ESDC Secretariat sends confirmation and the designated participant completes the ENLIST registration form, including their **name, organisation, function, and personal email address**.
- A list of ENLIST nominators can be found on the [ESDC website](#).

Costs

There is no course fee. However, all costs related to participants' travel, accommodation, and meals are the responsibility of the sending authorities.

Attendance

Full attendance is mandatory. Certificates will only be awarded to participants who complete the **entire course**, including the **e-Learning phase**.

Working Languages

The course will follow the normal CSDP language regime: **English and French** will be the working languages, with no interpretation provided.

Further Information

Detailed information about the course will be shared via email once the participant list is finalised.

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