



## EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE COLLEGE

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*Dear colleagues and friends of the ESDC,*

I am pleased to invite you to the ESDC annual network event which takes place in Brussels on 6 and 7 November 2017, jointly organised by the ESDC, CMPD, EUMS, CPCC and Egmont – Royal Institute for International Relations as the **CSDP Annual Training and Education Conference 2017**. The event combines the *ESDC Network Conference*, the *Annual Meeting on Training of CSDP Mission & Operation Personnel* and the *EU Annual Military Training and Education Seminar*.

The 2017 edition of the annual conference is a unique opportunity to analyse lessons identified from the CSDP missions and operations, to discuss recent CSDP developments and emerging policies with a view to reflecting these in training opportunities, and to explore synergies. The conference focuses on the challenges for Security and Defence that have been identified in the Global Strategy for the European Union's Foreign and Security Policy, as well as on strategic communication in CSDP missions, in particular with regard to the increasing use of social media. In these two areas, we propose exploring the training requirements and the ways in which the development of policy and training will benefit from the lessons identified.

The **CSDP Annual Training and Education Conference 2017** promises to be an invaluable forum that enables people to expand their networks at EU level and with institutes in other Member States. With this in mind, we warmly welcome participants from the ESDC network institutes and relevant national ministries, EU institutions and agencies and from CSDP Missions and Operations, as well as representatives from other institutes that are involved in some form of CFSP/CSDP training and education but which have not yet taken part in ESDC activities.

Since its establishment in 2005, the ESDC has trained more than 18 000 diplomats, police officers and other civilian and military personnel. In so doing, the college has relied on a network that currently comprises 136 national and multinational training institutes from all 28 EU Member States. These include diplomatic, police and defence academies, as well as universities, think tanks and the *EU Institute for Security Studies*.

The draft agenda listing academic/training sessions of is attached. Please register for the conference by 20 October 2017 using the *online form* accessible via the **link** below.

*Yours faithfully,*



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Head of ESDC

**CSDP Annual Training and Education Conference 2017, 6-7 November 2017**

Palais d'Egmont, Place du Petit Sablon 8 bis, Brussels 1000

**REGISTRATION by 20 October 2016 at**

<http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=p7hlkxtab&oeidk=a07eemg8umg9cc7c780>

**Registration is mandatory**



## **CSDP Annual Training and Education Conference 2017**

### **Emerging Training Requirements in the implementation of the EU Global Strategy**

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### *Draft Programme*

Time	Academic/Training Session	Lead/Speaker
<b>Monday 6 November 2017 – Palais d'Egmont, Salle Arenberg</b>		
13.00-13.30	<i>Arrival of participants, security check, registration</i>	
13.30-14.15	Welcome of participants Opening speeches	Mr Dirk DUBOIS, Head, ESDC Amb Johan VERBEKE, Director General, Egmont Mr Gabor IKLODY, Director, CMPD LtGen Esa PULKKINEN, DGEUMS (TBC) Mr Kenneth DEANE, CivOpsCdr, CPCC
14.15-14.45	Overview of current developments in CSDP and their potential impact on training	Mr Jean-Pierre VAN AUBEL, Chair PMG (TBC) Ms Jana KALIMONOVA, Chair CIVCOM (TBC) Representative of CEUMC Office (TBC)
14.45-15.00	Looking back to the ATEC 2016: main findings	Mr Horst KOUKOL
15.00-15.30	<b>Coffee break</b>	
15.30-17.00	<u>Expert Panel 1</u> Implementation of EU Global Strategy on Security and Defence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Improving Crisis Management Structures and their associated training</i></li> <li>• <i>Addressing civ-mil areas deriving from challenges/threats identified in the EUGS (radicalisation, hybrid, cyber, climate change)</i></li> </ul>	<u>Moderator:</u> Prof Sven BISCOP, Egmont  <u>Panellists:</u> EEAS/Strategic Planning EEAS/Global CMPD, EUMS, CPCC
17.00-18.30	<u>Expert Panel 2</u> Emerging policies and concepts <i>Strategic Communication for CSDP: EEAS, CSDP missions and operations and Member States. Linking the CSDP Communication Strategy with the field level and exploring new media environments</i>	<u>Moderator:</u> Prof Sven BISCOP, Egmont  <u>Panellists:</u> EEAS/Strategic Communication CMPD academics journalists
18.30-20.30	<b>Award of the EU Global Strategy PhD Prize</b>	Egmont, ESDC, EUISS
	<b>Networking reception hosted by ESDC</b>	<u>Venue:</u> Palais d'Egmont, Salon de tapisseries

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<b>Tuesday 7 November 2017 – Palais d'Egmont, Salle Arenberg</b>		
08:30-09:00	<i>Arrival of participants, security check</i>	
09:00-09:15	Opening of the second day sessions	Mr Dirk DUBOIS, Head, ESDC
09.15-10.00	Lessons identified from missions and operations	CMPD, EUMS, CPCC
10:00-10:30	Policy on Training for CSDP – state of play and steps forward (implementation)	CMPD, CPCC, EUMS
10.30-11.00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
11:00-12:30	Training updates provided by training actors	ESDC, EDA, CEPOL, FPI, ENTRI 3, EUPST II
12:30-13:00	Voices from the field: New initiatives for training	EUMM Georgia, EUPOL COPPS Palestine EUNAVFOR MED Sophia, EUTM Mali
13.00-14.00	<b>Working lunch</b>	<b>Hosted working lunch</b>
14.00-15.40	<b>Joint civilian-military break-out sessions</b>	
	<u>Working group 1:</u> <b>Training requirements deriving from emerging EU policies, concepts and lessons learnt</b> <i>Review of existing civil and military training and mutualisation to be explored in new specific areas stemming from the EUGS (cyber, hybrid, ...)</i>	<b>Salle Orange</b> <u>Facilitators:</u> Chair EUMCWG/HTF and CPCC
	<u>Working group 2:</u> <b>Training requirements deriving from emerging EU policies, concepts and lessons learnt</b> <i>Training requirements for CSDP related Strategic Communication at the Member States level and in CSDP missions and operations</i>	<b>Salle Arenberg</b> <u>Facilitators:</u> CMPD
15.40-16.00	<b>Coffee break</b>	
16.00-17.00	Presentation and discussion of the working group outcomes	<b>Salle Arenberg</b> Moderators of the working groups
17.00-17.15	Wrap up, conclusions and way ahead	CMPD, CPCC, EUMS
17.15-17.30	Closing remarks	Mr Dirk Dubois, ESDC BGen Jo COELMONT, Egmont