INVITATION TO THE ESDC COURSE

THE CHALLENGES OF EUROPEAN CYBERSECURITY

November 22nd -24th, 2017 - Brussels

Within the framework of the European Security and Defence College (ESDC), France has the great honour of organising a course dedicated to the challenges of European cybersecurity, to be held in Brussels from November 22nd to 24th 2017. This course is organised by the Institute for Higher National Defence Studies (IHEDN, France) with the support of the ESDC Secretariat.

At a time when cyber-attacks are multiplying and the European Union wishes to launch revisions of its cyber security strategies, this course will allow participants to become acquainted with diplomatic, institutional, legal and operational issues related to the mainstreaming of cybersecurity at EU level. This training will also seek to broaden the discussion by addressing all cyber security dimensions and will be based on concrete examples in close touch with topical events.

This course will therefore aim at:
- understanding the notions and concepts related to cybersecurity;
- presenting the actors dealing with cybersecurity issues at the European level (European institutions and agencies, Member States) and their respective roles;
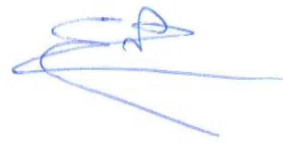- identifying the challenges of cybersecurity at the European level and the way ahead in this field.

This training is open to civil servants and military personnel from EU Member States and EU institutions who are currently employed in positions dealing with cyber issues or

willing to discuss and update their knowledge on these matters. Participants will have the opportunity to benefit from the know-how of experts of European institutions and Member States.

It is therefore with great pleasure that France invites you to this course on "the challenges of European cybersecurity".

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Director of the Institute for Higher National Defence
Studies and Advanced Military Education

Ambassador Nicolas Suran
French Permanent Representative
to the Political and Security Committee

ESDC course – *The challenges of European cybersecurity*

November 22nd -24th, 2017
ESDC activity: Conference Center
Albert Borschette, room 1.C, Brussels

Fact sheet

❖ The course is open to civilian and military personnel from EU Member States, EU institutions/agencies. EU Member States, EU institutions and EU relevant agencies are invited to nominate participants and put them in to priority order.

❖ Applications are to be filed via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/ENList/web/app.php/login, by designated nominators, **no later than November 3th.** Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat and upon completion of the registration form by the nominated participant.

❖ An eLearning module (Internet-based Distance Learning) will be scheduled before the beginning of the course**.**

❖ The language regime of the CSDP will apply, **i.e. the working languages are French and English. No translation will be provided.**

❖ Attendance of the course is mandatory each and every day. A certificate will be awarded to those course participants who have completed the full course, including the IDL phase.

❖ All costs for travelling, accommodation and catering shall be covered by the sending authorities.

❖ Further detailed information on the course will be forwarded via e-mail directly to the course participants as soon as the attendance list is complete.

DRAFT PROGRAMME

Wednesday, November 22nd, 2017
Registration / Welcome coffee (8:30 – 9:00)
Opening address
Cybersecurity, cyber threats and critical infrastructures
Towards a strategic autonomy for EU in cyberspace
Issues of cybersecurity on private infrastructures
National cybersecurity policies
Thursday, November 23rd, 2017
Assessment and perspectives of the EU's progress in the cybersecurity field
Which cybersecurity/cyberdefence needs for the European institutions and for the CSDP?
What legal framework for cyberwar?
EU-NATO cooperation for cybersecurity
The digital combat in the conduct of military operations
Friday, November 24th, 2017
Towards an European Cyber diplomacy
Preventing cyberwar: role of confidence-building measures
Closing speech
End of the course (13:00)