



Practical Information

EUROPEAN SECURITY AND DEFENCE FORUM

Debate on the Future of European Security and Defence: from Vision to Action

Athens, May 11 – 12, 2018

GENERAL INFORMATION

The **European Security and Defence Forum 2018** (ESDF 2018) is a high-level conference organized by the Institute of Research and Training on European Affairs (I.R.T.E.A.) under the topic: *“Debate on the future of European Security & Defence: from vision to action”*. The event is held under the auspices of the European Security and Defence College.

The conference is open to individuals and relevant institutions or companies with a high interest in the topics under the debate during the Forum. Working language is English.

TOPICS

- The EU Global Strategy and the Future of CFSP: Challenges Ahead
- Strengthening EU External Security in a More Complex World
- Towards the Development of the EU Internal Security in Light of the *New Terrorist Norms*
- NATO's Role as a Security Provider and the Impact on the Common Foreign and Security Policy
- Migration: A Destabilization Factor for the European Union?
- Energy Security Challenges
- Cyber Threats for European Union in the 21st Century

DATE OF THE FORUM

ESDF 2018 is held in Athens, Greece from 11 to 12 May 2018.

VENUE OF THE FORUM

The ESDF will be held in Athens, Greece.

REGISTRATION & ADMINISTRATIVE FEE

For registration, please visit I.R.T.E.A. website www.esdf.irtea.gr and fill the online *Application Form*. Applications are accepted until **30 April 2018**. There is a participation fee of 90€ which covers administrative expenses (coffee breaks, lunches and material distributed).

TRAVEL & ACCOMODATION

Travel, local transport and accommodation are at participants' own expense. For information about recommended hotels, you may contact the organizers.

DRESS CODE

The suggested dress code is business attire.

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF ESDF 2018

Friday 11 May 2018

10:00 – 10:30 Opening remarks

10:30 – 12:30 **The EU Global Strategy and the Future of CFSP: Challenges Ahead**

12:30 – 13:00 Coffee Break

13:00 – 15:00 **Strengthening EU's External Security in a More Complex World**

15:00 – 16:00 Lunch

16:00 – 18:00 **Towards the Development of the EU's Internal Security in Light of the *New Terrorist Norms***

18:00 – 18:30 Coffee Break

18:30 – 20:00 **NATO's Role as a Security Provider and the Impact on the Common Foreign and Security Policy**

21:00 Social event (by invitation only)

Saturday 12 May 2018

10:30 – 12:30 **Migration: A Destabilization Factor for the European Union?**

12:30 – 13:00 Coffee Break

13:00 – 15:00 **Energy Security Challenges**

15:00 – 16:00 Lunch

16:00 – 18:00 **Cyber Threats for the European Union in the 21st Century**

18:00 – 18:30 Wrap-up and final debate

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