



## INVITATION

to the ESDC Course

### «Disaster Relief in CSDP Context»

ESDC activity no. 18-19/44/1

**Bucharest, 8-12 July 2019**

Within the framework of the European Security and Defence College, the *Department for Emergency Situation* of the Romanian Ministry of Interior and the *Diplomatic Institute* to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria, in cooperation with the *Romanian National College of Home Affairs*, the *Romanian Diplomatic Institute* and the *Crisis Management and Disaster Response Centre of Excellence*, are organising the **Disaster Relief in CSDP Context**.

The course is designed for personnel with civilian (diplomatic/consular, police, judicial, intelligence of humanitarian NGOs' staff) and military backgrounds, having expertise and operational experience in civil protection, disaster relief and/or humanitarian assistance. The course is open to participants from Third Countries, with a focus on the participation of experts from the Eastern Partnership countries. The experts from the CSDP Missions and Operations or those from EU Member States, relevant EU institutions and agencies and the EU Delegations that can be deployed in *Fact Finding Missions* in disaster stricken areas as teams of EEAS/EUMS or DG ECHO, are encouraged to attend.

The course organised in Bucharest, Romania from 8 to 12 July 2019 will provide basic knowledge about the impact of man-made, natural and climate driven disasters on the European Security (and in particular on conduct of CFSP/CSDP). Participants will learn about the EU institutional structures, mechanisms and instruments employed in disaster relief, rescue and humanitarian activities (with emphasis on synchronization of diverse civilian and military CFSP/CSDP assets in disaster response). Field practitioners will share their experience in disaster relief operations, from diplomatic, civilian and military perspectives. The comprehensive/integrated approach to crisis management (with emphasis to civ-mil coordination in disaster relief) will be given due consideration. In the same time, the EU partnerships and cooperation in terms of policies and practices with stakeholders in the field (UN, NATO, leading humanitarian NGO) will also be addressed.



The practical dimension of the course will be accomplished through a syndicate session and a simulation exercise (covering planning templates and learn techniques on how to deal with disasters). Throughout the course, participants will have the opportunity to benefit from the know-how of European institutions and Members States experts and to network and share views with professionals in disaster relief, building on the *European security culture*.

It is therefore with great pleasure that the *Department for Emergency Situation* of the Romanian Ministry of Interior and the *Diplomatic Institute* to the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Bulgaria invite you to nominate suitable candidates for the ESDC course on **Disaster Relief in CSDP Context**. Deadline for registration is **21 June 2018**.

The planned schedule and practical elements for registration, with specific details for participants coming from the Eastern Partnership countries, are enclosed as annexes. The final programme and the detailed information will be provided to all confirmed participants.

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### Practical information

- The training programme is open to both civilian and military personnel from EU Member States, relevant EU Institutions and Agencies, CSDP Missions and Operations, Third Countries and International Organisations. Participants from the Eastern Partnership countries are especially welcomed. The course could host up to 40 participants in total (out of which 18 coming from the 6 Eastern Partnership countries).
- The language regime of the CSDP will apply (English and French without translation).
- Attendance of the course is mandatory at all times; a certificate signed by the HR/VP will be awarded to participants who complete the course, including the e-learning phase.

#### Nomination:

- EU Member States, EU structures and CSDP Missions and Operations are invited to nominate participants using the ENLIST registration system until 21 June 2019.
- Applications of participants from the International Organisations and Third Countries, other than the Eastern Partnership countries, shall be sent by the competent authority directly to the ESDC Secretariat and to [ovidiu.simina@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:ovidiu.simina@eeas.europa.eu) mentioning name, organisation, function, personal e-mail address and motivation to follow the course.
- Eastern Partnership countries shall send their nominations (*up to 3 participants each, preferable representatives of ministries of interior, defence or foreign affairs, priority having experts from law enforcement, fire and civil protection services, plus diplomats in charge with the humanitarian and disaster relief cooperation*) for the course not later than 21 June 2019 to [ovidiu.simina@eeas.europa.eu](mailto:ovidiu.simina@eeas.europa.eu) and [george.manea.dsu@mai.gov.ro](mailto:george.manea.dsu@mai.gov.ro) (mentioning name, function, institution, personal e-mail address). Confirmation of participation will not be final until final confirmation is provided by the ESDC Secretariat.

#### Costs:

- The sending authorities of the participants from EU Member States, EU institutions and CSDP Missions/Operations, or from the International Organisations and Third Countries, other than Eastern Partnership countries, will have to cover all related (costs travelling, accommodation and catering/meals, NO course fee).

- The course will benefit from support from the Eastern Partnership panel managed by the European Commission, hence all costs relating to participation by the Eastern Partnership beneficiaries would be covered by the European Commission. As soon as the organisers have received nomination, a selection board will accept and confirm participants. The European Commission will then contact the participants in order to arrange flights and accommodation (incl. a moderate daily allowance). To facilitate this process, please make sure that each candidate has a valid personal email address!

Details:

- The course venue, programme, dress code, workshop scenario, lecturers etc. will be made available in the practical information after the completion of the selection process.
- The course will start on 24 June 2019 with the eLearning phase. The residential part of the course will take place in Bucharest from 8 to 12 July 2019 (Monday 13.00 to Friday 13.00). The tentative schedule is attached; an updated programme will be distributed before the course starts.
- When the participants' list is finalised, the designated course director/person of contact will be in touch with the participants on their personal e-mail address.

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Tentative schedule:

Course venue to be confirmed; info will be provided to course participants in due time

**Monday 08 July 2019**

11:00-13:00 Arrival, registration,

13:00 Course opening

13:30-17:00 Lectures, panels

**Tuesday 9 to Thursday 11 July 2019**

09:00-17:00 Lecturers, panels, syndicate work, study visit, practical activities

**Friday 29 March 2019**

09:30-10:30 Working group debrief

10:30-12:00 Lectures

12:00-12:30 Evaluation, certificates

13:00 Closure. Departures