



# 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary meeting of the LoD-12 International Air Force Semester

### 20-21 June 2019

### in Athens /Greece

## **Draft minutes**

1) The Commandant and the Dean of the Hellenic Air Force Academy welcomed the 13 participants from 5 EU Member States and 5 institutions presence.

Air Force Institution/Member state	Participants	
Aviation Faculty, National Military University/BG	2 persons	
European Security & Defence College/EU	1 person (via zoom)	
Hellenic Air Force Academy/GR	6 persons	
Polish Air For e University/PL	1 person	
Portuguese Air Force Academy/PT	1 person (via zoom)	
Air Force Academy "Henri Coanda"/RO	2 persons	

## 2) Elaborations on the Project (International Air Force Semester-IAFS)

The Dean mentioned the importance of this Strategic Partnership Project (SPP), underlined that this is the tool to start cadets' exchanges without facing problems to recognize the studies have done abroad.

The ESDC Training Manager, Lt Col Symeon Zambas added that the development and the integration of the International Air Force Semester to the curriculum of the involved Institutions, will ensure the smooth continuation and pass from week to semester exchanges of military students among the Air Force institutions.

The chair emphasized to the objectives of the meeting, which are to finalize the participants and continue elaborating on the proposed curriculum.

<u>Participating Institutions</u>: He started by presenting the admin/financial part of the project (see attached file) and announced that the ESDC received the following Letters of Intention from Bulgaria, Greece, Portugal and Romania. The last Letter of Intention has already received a week ago from French Air

Force Academy clarifying that there is no possibility to participate to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Plenary meeting. However, a team will be soon established responsible for working on this project and taking place into the following meetings of the LoD-12, starting from September. The representative of the Polish Air Force University mentioned that the Commandant-Rector of the University needs more information in order to decide to participate or not in the project. He promised to provide an official answer NLT September IG meeting.

<u>Pool of courses:</u> Representatives from the Bulgarian, Hellenic, Polish, Portuguese and Romanian Air Force Institutions discussed and identified the pool of modules as possible content for an International Air Force Semester (see following table). It is decided to reduce the ECTS from 30 to 24 in order to have a spare month (January), to fulfil the national requirements (simulator, military & sports training). Pending approval of the learning outcomes, it is expected that the courses composing the IAFS will be approved at the 43rd IG meeting.

Title of the course	<u>ECTS</u>	Duration in weeks	<u>Changes</u>
Aviation English	4	2	Reduced from 6 to 4 ECTS
Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP)	2	1	-
Cyber Security	2	1	Reduced from 4 to 2 ECTS
Avionics systems	4	2	Former electronic warfare
Aviation Meteorology	2	1	
Flight and Ground Safety	2	1	Reduced from 4 to 2 ECTS
Propulsion Systems	2	1	Reduced from 4 to 2 ECTS
Space Applications for Security and Defence	2	1	-
Military Ethics	2	1	-
Aerial Navigation	2	1	New added course
Total	24	12	

## 3) Road map:

- Next meeting of the LoD-12 will take place in Brussels on the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September in the context of the 43<sup>rd</sup> IG meeting.
- Elaboration and finalization of the proposed curriculum (Sep 2019)
- Finalization of the participating Air Force Institutions (Sep 2019)
- Presentation of the IAFS at 44<sup>th</sup> IG meeting in Romania (Dec 2019)
- Presentation of the final proposal at 45<sup>th</sup> IG meeting in Brussels (Feb 2020)
- Submission of the proposal (Mar 2020)