

2010 04 Austria International PSO Module C

Within the programme “European initiative on the exchange of young officers inspired by Erasmus” Austria is responsible for the “PSO-Module”. From 12 April to 18 April, 2010 and from 19 April to 25 April, 2010 two equal Modules (PSO Sub-Module “C”) took place in the area of Wiener Neustadt/Austria as part of the Austrian academic education for basic officer training. Working language was English.



The goals for Sub-Module C (TEWT – Tactical Exercise Without Troops) on Company level were:



- IDL (self-studies for international students to be prepared for the Module);
- Principles of War, operational principles, troop-leading procedures (TLP), MDMP (Military Decision Making Process);
- Sustainability and Co-operation with combat support troops;
- Leadership training.

Students and instructors from Austria, *Croatia*, the Netherlands and *Switzerland* had the chance to exchange their experiences and got knowledge of the Austrian approach to deal with robust Peace Support Operations.

The first and second day were dedicated to MDMP for various phases of the scenario, terrain reconnaissance, creating basics for a decision, back-briefings, terrain briefings and how to guarantee sustainability. Especially during the last

day students had to prove their learning outcomes. They were tested in different scenarios under time-pressure.

LtCol Gell as the ORE (Officer Responsible for the Exercise) handed over a certificate to international students with 3 ECTS which are foreseen to be recognised at the home-institution.

To familiarize all the international participants with the country and its people, the Saturday before departure was dedicated to visit cultural places in Vienna. The tour was guided by OCdt Jezek.