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The Common Module “**Law of Armed Conflict**” was organised by the Post Conflict Operations Study Centre (PCOSC) in Turin, Italy .The course was held at the Italian Army Training Command and School of Applied military Studies from 28 March to 1 April 2022 under coronavirus precautions. This common module was attended by civilian students, cadets and young officers from 7 nations, under the “**European Initiative for the exchange of young officers**”

inspired by Erasmus” of the European Security and Defence College. The Common Module’s thematic focus was international implementation of Law of Armed Conflict and basic knowledge of the legal context of military operations.



Throughout the week, the syndicates discussed current and significant topics relating to Law of Armed Conflict such as impact on military operations, challenges in modern conflicts and importance for military leaders. Moreover, they acquired useful knowledge of basic principles of international, humanitarian law and human rights, classification of conflicts, international criminal justice, and means of warfare and the protection of cultural property in international law. The participants had the chance to familiarise themselves and practice Law of Armed Conflict subjects through relevant presentations, discussions, and



questioning.

The educational activities took place in groups consisting of syndicates from different nationalities. It is of a great importance that each group was assigned the presentation of a specific question related to the larger topics as an outcome of teamwork, ideas' expression, and exchange of views and reflections.



These groups and the syndicates' close cooperation contributed to the creation of strong bonds of friendship and mutual respect and the development of a noble rivalry feeling. On the last day of the educational week a test was taken on the taught content of the Educational Activity in order to certify the syndicates' sufficient knowledge on the subject and their participation.



In conclusion, the HMAESO cadets had a unique experience during this one week Common Module, participating actively in the initiative to promote international cooperation and peaceful coexistence. In addition to gaining valuable and high level of knowledge, the warm hospitality in the facilities of the PCOSC, the contact and acquaintance with cadets from military academies of different countries and the observance of a common program sealed this unique experience of knowledge, maturation and self-improvement through the realisation of the value of European military and academic cooperation.