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Military Erasmus IT Platform Business Case

1.   Problem statement

There are 5 reasons why the Emilyo IT platform should be reviewed and restructured:

- 2008 Council Conclusions on CSDP doc.15465/08 ANNEXIII a task given to create an IT platform:

  - Containing national military colleges' training curricula, for ease of identification and comparison of training

  - Allowing national military training colleges to offer and request places on officer exchanges.

- To satisfy the initial needs for which the Emilyo website was created in 2009 and the Exchange Newsletter has been established in 2011. The latter has so far been the only available supplementary action to partial cover the requirement.

- The need for further development of the current situation underpinned by the HE Presidency, with the blessing of the EUMC.

- At the same time, Emilyo is obsolete and requires upgrade/reconstruction.

- Emilyo as such has limited flexibility to incorporate all the required elements to fulfil the tasks set by the Council and does not meet the demands of a fully fletched IT platform.

2.   Solution

A fully fletched IT platform ideally should include:

- Database

  - Learning outcomes

  - Curricula

  - Organization/Service

- o Period/Time framework in order to automatically identify possible synergies and overlapping.

- o Accommodation and training facilities of all academies and other institutions, to provide for effective planning of exchanges needed

- o Language

- Information/data collection-record

- Search engine

- Forum (an automatic send of a message to the email account of the Forum member when someone is sending new message or uploading a new document)

- Documents depository

3.   Three main elements to contribute in the creation of an upgraded platform have been already developed but there is a need to be updated and formulated accordingly in order to be used as a data base.

- European Military Higher Education Stocktaking Report (2010)

- Exchange newsletter since 2011

- Compendium of the European Military Officers Basic Education (2011)

4.   Impact

- Better information sharing

- Near real time update of information

- Update by the owner of information under approval by an administrator

- Standardization of information

- Promotion of the Initiative

5.   Risk assessment

- IT developer not available

- Resistance to change