

Proposed essay-topics for the 5th CSDP Olympiad
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(Decision by the Implementation Group on 20 February 2019)

- 1) The need for an EU “defence minister”, “defence council”, or a “Commission Director General (DG) on defence”.
- 2) The best strategic use of the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) for EU-Africa relations.
- 3) The use of the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) missions and operations to attract potential partners in Asia.
- 4) Needs for an updated or revised EU Global Strategy.
- 5) The context between “strategic autonomy” and the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).
- 6) The effect of climate change on future Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) missions and operations.
- 7) The effect of energy security on future Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) missions and operations.
- 8) The capability priorities of the EU in light of the establishment of the Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO) and the European Defence Fund.
- 9) The (non-) success of the Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO).
- 10) EU values as an asset or a liability for seeking international partnerships.