

## **IG training**

### **Current situation in the Military Higher Education Area (MHEA)**

The European Initiative for the exchange of Military Young Officers or simply called Military Erasmus is an EU project launched in 2008. Its primary task is to harmonize the Basic Officer Education, to increase interoperability and promote a Common Security and Defence Culture among Military Higher Education Institutions within the Union. The less developed area of the Basic Officer Education is the R & D sector. In order to bridge the gap, MHEA should be deeply involved into R&D activities. To do so, they shall be well informed about the EU funding scene, as well as other projects closely related to their activities, in which Military Academies could be eligible.

### **Overall objective**

The overall objective is the organization of closed-door or distance learning event/workshop addressing military academia personnel. This event will aim at providing to Military Academia a basic knowledge of the EU funding schemes that are potentially suitable for security and defence related projects. This event will also target selected industries in order to boost potential cooperation.

### **Purposes**

- The purposes of this workshop are as follow: to provide a general description on the EU funding landscape (current and upcoming programmes) with a focus on the programmes that could be compatible for R&D activities of Military academia;
- To focus on technical aspects (i.e. rules and application process) of the funding programmes selected by the tenderers;
- To investigate future Military Academia/ Industries synergies

### **Target groups**

Personnel from European Military Academies (Land Forces, Navy, Air Force & Technical) and Industry

### **Specific work**

The following activities are foreseen:

#### **Day 1:**

- a) Provide an overview of the existing EU funding scheme (H2020, EDIDP, LIFE, ERASMUS+, European Universities, HORIZON EUROPE, EDF etc)
- b) Present the structure, objectives and rules of the European defence industrial development programme (EDIDP) as well as EDF. Describe in detail, which actions are eligible (studies, design of products, testing, qualification activities...) and focus also on the definition (what the regulation means for a study?, what for prototype?)
- c) Analyse the different sections of a H2020 proposal, explain how to structure and build it while sharing some tips and professional experience.

#### **Day 2:**

- a) Set up working tables composed of Military Academies and industries.
- b) Industries (selected and invited by the Contractor) will cooperate with military academia following a pre-identified of research objectives and focus.

Each working table will be asked to:

- identify synergies through a structured approach developed by the Contractor
- Develop a project concept according to available calls (EDIDP or EDF/H2020) selected by the Contractor, per each working table of attendees (military academia and industries).
- Analysis of Working Tables results

### **Options**

- In the case of residential training, the duration will be two days, of 8 academic hours (45') each. The event will be held in Brussels (max 27 participants).
- In the case of distant learning, the duration will be 4 days, of 4 academic hours (45') each. A hosting Learning Management System (namely ILIAS LMS) with both synchronous and asynchronous capabilities.