

Meeting of the ESDC European Union Military Secondary Schools Forum (EUMSSF)

Revision 1 DRAFT MINUTES

8th Meeting
25 January 2022 (WebEx)

Venue: This meeting took place exclusively ONLINE

Chair: Lt. Col. Symeon ZAMBAS, CY

Tuesday 25 January 2022 (09.30 – 16.30 CET)

1) Welcome and *tour de table*

The ESDC secretariat welcomed the 23 participants, from 15 schools and 8 States; all participants were invited to introduce themselves.

2) Adoption of the agenda

The Chair presented the agenda to the members of the Forum. The agenda was adopted.

3) Introductory remarks

The Chair presented the main objectives of the Forum and described in detail the specific objectives of the 8th EUMSSF meeting.

4) New member of the Forum:

*The Chair introduced two new members of the Forum: the **Hungarian** Kratochvil Károly Military Technical School and the **Latvian** Colonel Oskars Kalpaks Military High School. Presentations attached to this document.*

5) LOD 1 - discussion of the curricula:

The Chair presented the two modules to be implemented by the Schools:

1. *EU History*
2. *EU Institutions*

The National Military High School ‘Ștefan cel Mare’ (RO), chairing LOD-1, supported by the Colegio Militar (PT) and Instituto dos Pupilos do Exército (PT) presented the first draft of the curriculum for the two modules. Members of the Forum discussed the excellent results presented. A revised draft will be circulated before the next meeting of the Forum in June 2022.

6) The EU for Secondary Schools pilot course: way ahead

The ESDC secretariat provided information on the residential course, which will take place in Brussels during summer 2022 (Sars-CoV-2 permitting). A poll will be issued to the schools, with three possible dates (end of June, beginning of July and beginning of September 2022).

7) Summer Schools: state of play

The Chair asked Forum members to provide information on whether they run a summer school and, if so, whether it is open to participants from other schools.

8) Info point on ESDC medals

The ESDC secretariat presented the new ESDC medals approved in 2021 as well as the awarding criteria and procedure. Admin instructions attached to this document.

9) Way forward and agenda topics for the next meeting of the EUMSSF

*The Forum agreed to hold its **next (9th meeting)** in person on 24 June 2022 in Brussels (Sars-CoV-2 permitting). The main item on the agenda is to discuss an updated version of the two modules in the light of the discussion at the 8th meeting, with a view to approving a final version at September’s meeting.*

10) AOB

The Chair informed the Forum of the postponement of the PSP event from February to April 2022 and about a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) made available by PSP to Schools belonging to the Forum. .

11) Publicising the EUMSSF’s work

The minutes, agendas, rules of procedure and all other relevant documents will be uploaded onto the Military Erasmus webpage at: www.emilyo.eu, specifically <http://www.emilyo.eu/node/1389>.

To provide a better overview, **all requests are summarised in the table below:**

Request:	Send to:
All institutions are invited to express their interest in hosting future meetings no later than 31 March 2022.	simone.coccia@eeas.europa.eu
All institutions are invited to provide information on whether they run a summer school that is open to participants from other schools no later than 31 March 2022.	
All institutions are invited to express their interest in being appointed as coordinators and/or participating as members in a project under Erasmus+ no later than 31 March 2022.	
All institutions are invited to suggest topics for the agenda of the 9th EUMSSF meeting no later than 30 April 2022.	