

Mobility Newsletter

European mobility of young officers and trainers

Sharing mobility opportunities

This newsletter, edited with the support of the European Security and Defence College Secretariat, intends to highlight information on mobility events as provided by the European Member States and their military higher education institutes.

"We aim to provide information on exchange opportunities and requests for mobility"

Introduction by Dirk Dubois
(European Security and Defence College Secretariat):

Just a couple of months ago, we distributed the 'trial' version of this newsletter. Since then, we have managed to convince the Implementation Group, the body that is guiding the European Initiative for the exchange of young officers, of its utility. This is the official edition N° 1 of the Newsletter. The aim remains to provide information on exchange opportunities and requests for mobility, without pretending to be exhaustive. We of course also aim to provide some more visibility for the Initiative.

As the financial crisis strikes hard in the different EU Member States, budgets for defence will not grow in the foreseeable future. Some might be prone to cut in budgets for exchange opportunities. On the other side, shrinking defence budgets will force us more and more to 'pool and share', condemning us to work ever closer together. We can only make this work, if we share a common understanding and common values and therefore we need to invest in common education and training. To paraphrase a wiser person: We can either learn together or disappear in irrelevance.

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Enhanced Cooperation within Erasmus Programme

Contribution from the Czech National University of Defence (Brno) - Lieutenant Colonel Antonin Müller - Erasmus Programme Coordinator

Czech University of Defence enhances step by step the cooperation within the military schools' framework of Erasmus programme. In February 2011 the representatives from two European military schools visited the Czech University of Defence with an unequivocal aim: to find a new partner for the exchanges of students – young officers and also their teachers - between the schools that are similarly bias. At first it was Mr. Ove Lind, studies director of Stockholm's (Sweden) National Defence College (NDC) who arrived in Brno to pay a short visit to the University of Defence on 15 and 16 February 2011. He focused on the expectations for a school that has not completely involved in the programme standard part and on Czech Republic's as LoD7 leading nation's ideas. LoD7 is a working group responsible for exactly that kind of activities since Czech presidency to EU in 2009.



Therefore, the Swedish representative met LoD7 chairman and University of Defence vice-rector for external relations colonel Jaroslav Průcha who explained Czech position in the period of limited funds. Insufficient resources restrict sending students abroad to other purposes than "Erasmus" as for the latter the school can receive some support from the European Union. However, the University of Defence is open to accept students for their internships within as well as outside of standard Erasmus programme, which is a challenge for such schools as Sweden's NDC. That was the reason for a meeting with University's institutional Erasmus programme coordinator Lieutenant Colonel RNDr. Antonín Müller, CSc. He acquainted the guest with the range of degree programmes offered in English available to Swedish cadets, among others.







While the first visit only prepared bases for a potential future cooperation, the other visitors from General Tadeusz Kosciuszko Land Forces Military Academy from Wroclaw (Poland), lead by its Management Faculty's vice-dean colonel Marian Źuber, Ph.D., visited the University of Defence with a much clearer objective – to meet University of Defence rector professor Ing. Rudolf Urban, CSc. and sign the Erasmus Bilateral Agreement of students, teachers and staff exchange between the two schools. The signed agreement is a natural link in the cooperation chain of the two schools. Thanks to recent legal changes in Poland that put military schools under the same law as civilian ones the cooperation could enhance with a new academic dimension.




This school was the ninth military school in a row with which the Czech University of Defence has signed a Bilateral Agreement of the exchanges of young officers and their teachers as well, between them. The schools form a really large platform for Military Erasmus to achieve palpable results.

Antonin Müller



Mobility opportunities under the Initiative

Country	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Year	Month	Period	Latest date for registration	Event	Short description	Requirements/ profile of the participants	Number of EU students invited	Workflow in ECTS	Workflow in WH	POC Name	POC E-mail	POC Phone
 ESDC 	Royal High Institute for Defence	All	2011	09			Train-the-Trainers Seminar	Training on CSDP and on the preparation of CSDP common modules	Teachers and instructors. Provided in English	54			Dirk Dubois	dirk.dubois@consilium.europa.eu	+32-22812633
	Air Force Academy	All	2012	NK	NK	NK	Common module "Law of Armed Conflicts"	This course is based on a theoretical part and a two-day seminar	The course will be provided in English.	NK	NK	-	Capt Emmanuel Goffi	emmanuel1.goffi@inet.air.defense.gouv.fr	NK
	Theresan Military Academy	All	2011	10	02 Oct - 08 Oct	05 Aug	CSDP module	Each CSDP module includes an IDL phase and a one-week residential phase	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	1,5	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161
				10	09 Oct - 15 Oct	12 Aug									
				11	20 Nov - 29 Nov	23 Sep	Common module on PSO Sub-Module A	Basics for PSO/CMO	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	3	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161
				11 - 12	29 Nov - 08 Dec	30 Sep									
		2011	12	11 Dec - 17 Dec	14 Oct	Common module on PSO Sub-Module B	Tactics for PSO/CMO	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	2	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161	
		Army	2012	01	09 Jan - 14 Jan	11 Nov 2011	Common module on PSO Sub-Module C	Leadership Training for PSO/CMO	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	3	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161
				01	15 Jan - 21 Jan	18 Nov 2011									
02	05 Feb - 11 Feb			09 Dec 2011											
				03	18 Mar - 31 Mar	20 Jan	Common module on PSO Sub-Module D	Course for PSO/CMO techniques (Platoon-level)	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	-	119	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161

General mobility opportunities (1/3)

	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Year	Month	Period	Latest date for registration	Event	Short description	Requirements/ profile of the participants	Number of EU students invited	Workflow in ECTS	Workflow in WH	POC Name	POC E-mail	POC Phone
Spain 	Air force Academy	Air force	2011	07	11 Jul - 15 Jul	NK	Military and Aeronautical Culture	Collaboration of the Air Force Academy and the University of Cartagena	The course will be delivered in Spanish	NK	NK	-	Maj Rafael Ichaso	richfra@ea.mde.es	NK
	Naval Academy	Navy	2011	06 - 07	23 Jun - 10 Jul	NK	Embarkation	Embarkation with Spanish Escuela Naval midshipmen either on fleet units or on Escuela Naval Schooners	Midshipmen	3	NK	-	Maj Juan L. Zarate	jzarfer@fn.mde.es	NK
				09 - 12	01 Sep - 20 Dec	NK	Fall semester at the Spanish Escuela Naval	Full semester exchange	Either Marine or Navy branches from 3rd till 5th academic years. Lectures will be held in Spanish.	NK	Inter-institutional learning agreement	-	Maj Juan L. Zarate	jzarfer@fn.mde.es	NK
	General Military Academy	Army	2011	06	28 Jun - 30 Jun	NK	Comprehensive Integration – 2011 (EXSPEC)	Military exercise aims at integrating and enhancing the knowledge and skills concerned with the planning and conduct of non conventional military operations learnt at the AGM and at other relevant branch academies. This can be achieved by using the framework of combined arms units at the tactical level that plan and conduct a military operation within a COIN campaign in a Central Asian-type scenario where English is the operational language.	Army. English proficiency	NK	NK	-	Col Juan Angel Lopez Diaz	jlopdi7@fn.mde.es	NK









General mobility opportunities (2/3)

	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Year	Month	Period	Latest date for registration	Event	Short description	Requirements/ profile of the participants	Number of EU students invited	Workflow in ECTS	Workflow in WH	POC Name	POC E-mail	POC Phone
	Naval Academy	Navy	2011	NK	NK	NK	Naval Surface Ship Safety Course	Two-week course	Navy	NK	NK	-	Lt Vachon Bruno	bruno.vachon@ecole-navale.fr	NK
				NK	NK	NK	Maritime Leadership course	One-week course	Navy	NK	NK	-	Lt Vachon Bruno	bruno.vachon@ecole-navale.fr	NK
	Military Academy Saint-Cyr Coetquidan	All	2011	09-12	1 Sep - 20 Dec	NK	International semester of higher strategic studies	Full semester exchange	English proficiency	9	20		Pr. Thomas Flichy	tomasflichy@hotmail.com	+33-665603 228
	Theresan Military Academy	All	2011	07 - 08	24 Jul - 06 Aug	27 May	General Alpine Summer Course	The course is conducted at the same time as the Military Mountaineer Summer Course , a selection of good and bad Mountaineers will take place at the beginning	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	-	81	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161
				07 - 08	24 Jul - 06 Aug	27 May	Military Mountaineer Summer Course	The course is conducted at the same time as the General Alpine Summer Course , a selection of good and bad Mountaineers will take place at the beginning	The course will be provided in English	16 (+4 Staff)	-	81	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161


General mobility opportunities (3/3)

	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Year	Month	Period	Latest date for registration	Event	Short description	Requirements/ profile of the participants	Number of EU students invited	Workflow in ECTS	Workflow in WH	POC Name	POC E-mail	POC Phone
	Military Technical Academy	-	2012	08-09	NK	Feb. 2012	Basic military training in specific military training camps	Two-week course Military basic training: individual and platoon level	First year cadets	NK	4	-	Col. Engr. RADUCANU Dan	draducanu@mta.ro	+4021 3353668 ext. 238
				07	NK	Jan. 2012	Military and Political International Relations	One-week course	Second year cadets	NK	3	-			
				07	NK	Jan. 2012	Terrain analysis	One-week course Basics for operational terrain analysis	Third year cadets	NK	3	-			
				10	NK	Apr. 2012	GEOINT exploitation of aerospace imagery	Two-week course Basics for operational GEOINT analysis	3rd/ 4th year cadets	NK	5	-			
				11	NK	Apr. 2012	Electronic warfare	Two-week course Basics of operational electronic warfare	3rd/ 4th year cadets	NK	4	-			

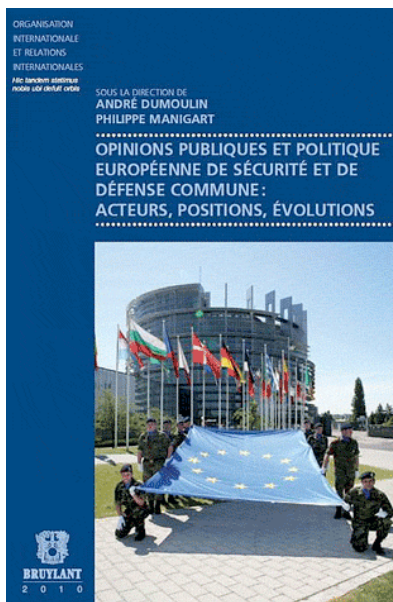
General mobility demands 1/2

Country	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Event	Profile of the expected exchange	Number of participants	Criteria for recognition (ECTS, etc)	Expected (amount)	POC Name	POC E-mail	POC Phone
	Doctrine, Development, Education and Training Command	All	CSDP module	Students	2	NK	NK	Vinko VEGIC, PhD	vinko.vegic@mors.si	NK
	Air Force Academy	All	CSDP module	Students	NK	NK	NK	THOMAS Guillaume	guillaume.thomas@inet.air.defense.gouv.fr	NK
	Military Academy Saint-Cyr Coëtquidan	All	CSDP module and PSO module	Students	6	NK	NK	Rémy COUPEZ and Cyril BOURDEAU DE FONTENAY	remy.coupez@st-cyr.terre-net.defense.gouv.fr and cyril.de-fontenay@st-cyr.terre-net.defense.gouv.fr	NK
	University of Defence	All	Erasmus exchanges	Students and teaching staff, including researchers	12	Erasmus bilateral agreement	NK	Jaroslav PRŮCHA	jaro-slav@email.cz	NK
	National Defence College	All	Common modules and exchanges of staff	Students and staff	Numbers of staff available for exchanges not yet defined	NK	NK	Nele RAND	nele.rand@ksk.edu.ee	NK
	Nicola Vaptsarov Naval Academy	Navy	Weaponry training	France, Belgium or Netherlands	1	NK	NK	Svetlana BANEVA	NK	0359 052 552 374
	Naval, Military and Air Force academies	All	Doctoral researches	Timeframes to be discussed	NK	NK	NK	Isabel COSTA	isabel.costa@defesa.pt	NK
	Military Technical (MTA), Naval (NA), Land Forces (LFA) and Air Force (AFA) academies	All	Exchanges of staff	"Economy" and/or "Military Science" areas	6	NK	NK	Cdr.Eng. Daniel PETRE (MTA) Cdr. Octavian TARABUTA (NA) ; Lt. Constantin TROCAN (LFA); Secretariat (AFA)	pdan@mta.ro relpub@anmb.ro johnytc@gmail.com secretariat@afahc.ro	NK
	Theresan Military Academy	All	Common modules "CSDP", "Humanitarian Law", "Media Training"	Students Staff (in common module "Humanitarian Law")	2 students for each Module, 1 Staff for	NK	NK	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	+43-664-622-2161

General mobility demands 2/2

Country	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Event	Profile of the expected exchange	Number of participants	Criteria for recognition (ECTS, etc)	Expected (amount)	POC Name	POC E-mail	POC Phone	Remarks
 Romania	Military Technical Academy	-	CSDP module	2 nd year cadets	2	ECTS	NK	Col. Engr. Dan RADUCANU.	draducanu@mta.ro	+4021 3353668 ext. 238	-
			Basics for Crisis Management Operations (CMO)	4th year cadets	2						
			Map exercise with topic CMO	4th year cadets	2						
			Tactical Exercise Without Troops in a CMO Scenario	4th year cadets	2						
			Course for CMO-Techniques	4th year cadets	2						

Officers' mobility in acts and literature...



Interesting reading published lately:

- André Dumoulin & Philippe Manigart (eds.), ***Opinions Publiques et PESD: Acteurs, Positions, Evolutions***, Bruylant 2010, coll. Organisation internationales et relations internationales, Brussels. Chapter 19 (Sylvain Paile), ***“L’Erasmus Militaire”, Carrefour entre Education et PESD***, is entirely dedicated to the Initiative for the exchange of young officers (in French).
- Captain Juan Manuel Chomon Perez, ***“Erasmus versus Emilyo”***, in Revista de Aeronautica y Astronautica, April 2011 (in Spanish).
- Major Pedro Ferreira da Silva, ***Os “Military European Credit Transfer System”, O Processo de Bolonha e a Iniciativa Europeia para Intercambio de Cadetes e jovens Oficiais***, study report, Instituto de Estudos Superiores Militares, Lisbon, General Staff Course 2010-2011 (in Portuguese). Link: <http://ifile.it/jd25wrb>
- Jochen Rehrl, Hans-Bernhard Weisserth (eds.) ***Lehrbuch GSVP***, Federal Ministry of Defence and Sports of the Republic of Austria – ESDC Secretariat, Vienna, 2011 (in German). Link: <http://esdc.mil-edu.be/>

Acts of interest for the European Initiative for the exchange of young officers:

- Implementation Group, ***Progress Report on the implementation of the European initiative for the exchange of young officers “inspired by Erasmus”***, final document released by the ESDC Secretariat, 8 April 2011.
- Council of the European Union, ***Council Conclusions on the ESDP, Brussels 10 and 11 November 2008***. Link: <http://www.consilium.europa.eu>
- ESDC Steering Committee, Decision SC/2010/1 of 24 February 2010, ***Framework regarding the European initiative for the exchange of young officers, modelled on Erasmus***. Link: <http://www.emilyo.eu/>
- “Common Security and Defence Policy Modules, Theresan Military Academy, Austria 2010 - External Evaluation Report”, Sylvain Paile, January 2011. Link: <http://www.emilvo.eu/>

Websites of interest for young officers' mobility:

- Initiative for the exchange of young officers: <http://www.emilyo.eu/>
- Conference of Superintendents of Naval Academies: <http://www.eunaweb.eu/>

Next meetings:

- Implementation Group, 21 September 2011, Brussels (BE)
- High-Level Seminar, 12-14 October 2011, Warsaw (PL)

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