

Mobility Newsletter

European mobility of young officers and trainers

Look with confidence to the Future

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I do not know what it is with Europeans these days: they seem only to be able to look back with criticism and look forward with fear in their eyes. They tell me that there is a crisis, but I have heard that every year since I was old enough to understand the meaning of the word, which was around the petrol crisis in the early seventies.

In 2003, despite all the crisis during 30 years, the European Security Strategy starts with 'Europe has never been so prosperous, so secure nor so free'. Today I read in my newspaper that the French minister for Foreign Affairs warns us that this crisis could lead to armed conflicts on the European continent. Future will tell us if he is right or not, far be it from me to challenge his wisdom!

One thing I do know from experience – a symptom of advancing age – if you are scared, you are far more likely to be attacked than when you show confidence. We can be proud of what we have achieved in Europe and we must have the guts and moral courage to defend it against those that would rather see Europe shoved aside. We only need to look across our Southern borders to see that courage alone sometimes can move mountains.

What is the case for Europe as a whole, is also the case for our Initiative for the Exchange of Young Officers: we can be proud of what did and still do, against all odds. If we want to have further success, we must be brave, overcome obstacles and close ranks, not withdraw in national trenches. If we manage to learn from each other and stick together, we can look to the future with confidence.

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.

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“Common modules on CSDP through students’ eyes”

By 2nd Lieutenant – Cadet Robbie Eyckmans

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During the first half of October two sessions of the common module on CSDP were organized by the Theresan Military Academy in Austria. I, 2nd lieutenant – cadet Robbie Eyckmans from the Royal Military Academy of Belgium, had the pleasure of attending the second session, which was held from the 10th until the 14th of October. In this article I will elaborate on the common module on CSDP and the Emilyo-initiative.

For the CSDP-module I could distinguish two main efforts: the academic part on CSDP and social/cultural activities. The classes took place during working hours and were afterwards followed by social activities.

After the opening ceremony on Monday, the courses started. During that first day the history of CSDP was explained, followed by lectures on the European Security Strategy. Topics like European Capability Development, CSDP & the Lisbon Treaty and future perspectives for CSDP took up the remainder of the week. A very interesting feature of the CSDP-module is that the class is divided in several syndicates. Each day these syndicates were presented with different questions on CSDP related issues. The syndicates needed to discuss these questions and present the outcome of the discussion to their fellow young officers. The discussions proved to be very interesting because in this way the young officers could learn the opinions and visions of their international colleagues.

On Wednesday there was a visit to the United Nations Headquarters in Vienna. During the visit a guided tour was planned, as well as a presentation on EU-UN relations. This visit to the UNHQ stresses the importance of multilateralism and international cooperation.



As explained above, the CSDP-module provides young European officers with a good academic knowledge on CSDP related issues but in my opinion the positive aspects of the module go even further. The module puts young officers in touch with their international/European colleagues and so they can develop their cultural awareness. This is very important for the future career of the young officer. When later on in their careers they will be sent abroad on an international mission, they will be able to rely on some of the social/cultural competences the common module on CSDP provided them with.

For reasons already mentioned before I can conclude that the Emilyo-initiative enables young European officers to learn the basis of CSDP and to develop their relations and cultural awareness with their international/European colleagues. In my experience I can say I have learned very much and I would recommend the module to all of my European colleagues. The module really is an eye-opener for a young officer and by getting to know your European colleagues you learn that we all work to achieve the same goal: a secure Europe in a changing world.


2nd Lieutenant – Cadet Robbie Eyckmans,

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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 email	POC phone
 Austria	Theresan Military Academy	All	2012	Dec	03-07 Dec	5-oct-12	Common Module: CSDP-Module	The CSDP-Module includes an IDL-phase and a one-week residential phase	The Module will be provided in English	~ 20	1,5	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
	Theresan Military Academy	All	2012	Nov	19-26 Nov	21-sept-12	Common Module: PSO-Sub-Module A	Basics for Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	3	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
	Theresan Military Academy	All	2012	Nov-Dec	29 Nov-06 Dec	5-oct-12	Common Module: PSO-Sub-Module A	Basics for Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	3	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
	Theresan Military Academy	Army	2012	Jan	10-13 Jan	11-nov-11	Common Module: PSO-Sub-Module B	Tactics for Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	2	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
	Theresan Military Academy	Army	2012	Jan	16-20 Jan	18-nov-11	Common Module: PSO-Sub-Module C	Leadership Training for Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	3 (IDL is included)	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
	Theresan Military Academy	Army	2012	Feb	06-10 Feb	09 Dec 2011	Common Module: PSO-Sub-Module C	Leadership Training for Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	3 (IDL is included)	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
	Theresan Military Academy	Army	2012	Mar	19-30 Mar	20-janv-12	Common Module: PSO-Sub-Module D	Platoon Leader Course for Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	-	119	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	43-664-622-2161
 France	Air Force Academy	All	2012	NK	NK	NK	Common module "Law of Armed Conflicts"		The course will be provided in English.	NK	NK	-	Cdt. Diane Geribaldi	diane.geribaldi@inet.air.defense.gouv.fr	33-490178444




General mobility opportunities (1/4)

Country	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Year	Month	Event	Short description	POC Name	POC Email	POC Phone			
 <p>Czech Republic</p>	Defence University (UoD)	All	2012	4	LOGFAS	1 week course. Students learn to create maps project, task forces and integrate them into NATO's structure, create logistics reports - LOGUPDATE and LOGASSESSMENT in the project LOGFAS, costing procedures for supply management of the units which are devoted to the international operations - using the Sustainment Planning Module.	COL Zbyšek Korecki	zbynek.korecki@unob.cz	(00)42097 3443955			
				NK	Standard operational procedures I	1 week course. It combines a number of lessons and formative tests including performance and progress during exercises. To prepare officers for the ability to solve issues contain Planning process, Advance Planning, Crisis Response Planning, Cdr's Planning Guidance, Terrain Analysis of AOR and transport and Movement activities. Initial planning conference + personal experience and appointment in working group tasks.						
					Host Nation Support	1 week course. It combines a number of lessons and formative tests including performance and progress during exercises. To prepare officers for the ability to solve issues contain Host national Support planning process, including financial and medical aspect. Initial planning conference + personal experience and appointment in working group tasks.						
					Logistics Reconnaissance	1 week course. It includes a number of lessons and formative tests including performance and progress during exercises. To prepare officers for the ability to solve issues contain Logistics Reconnaissance issues. Initial planning conference + personal experience and appointment in working group tasks.						
					Logistics Reports and M&T in NATO and in the Czech AF	1 week course. It includes a number of lessons and formative tests including performance and progress during exercises. To prepare officers for the ability to solve issues contain LOGISTICS REPORTS and M&T in NATO and in the Czech AF and issues connected with road, Air, Railway's and Naval Transportation. Initial planning conference + personal experience and appointment in working group tasks.						
					Standard Operational Procedures II	1 week course. The aim within MEL/MIL during planning process of the preparation and executive phases: to prepare officers for the ability to solve issues based on NATO and national SOP. Initial planning conference + personal experience and appointment in working group tasks.						
					Reception, Staging, Onward Movement and Integration (RSOM) & CORSOM	1 week course. Activities. It includes a number of lessons and formative tests including performance and progress during exercise. To prepare officers for the ability to solve issues contain RSOM processes and CORSOM.						
					International Security Course	1 week course. Current International Security Environment (Threats, Trends, Risks), Main Actors (Organizations, Agencies, NGOs, Private Military/Security Companies), Security Threats and Vulnerabilities, Security Environment Forecasting, Economics of Security, National Security of Critical Infrastructure, Security/Defence Research.				LTC Pavel Foltin	pavel.foltin@unob.cz	(00)42097 3443003
					Weapons and ammunition – Small Arms	It focuses on the ballistics, ammunition and small arms principles and operation. During two weeks participants will be familiarized with effects and evaluation of small arms, their drives, mechanisms, mounting, aiming devices, and testing.				COL Róbert Jankových	robert.iakovych@unob.cz	(00)42097 3445318


General mobility opportunities (2/4)

Country	Institution	Event aims to following service(s)	Year	Event	Short description	POC Name	POC Email	POC Phone			
<p style="text-align: center;">Czech Republic</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Defence University (UoD)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">All</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">2012</p>	Operating system GNU/Linux Course	1 week course. This course starts with intensive introduction to the GNU/Linux operating system and its commands, utilities and basic shell programming. The course provides the knowledge & skills necessary to install, configure and manage GNU/Linux systems (installation, LVM and RAID, security and basic troubleshooting) and setup, configure & manage the most popular network services (DNS, LDAP, HTTP, HTTPS, FTP,SMTP,POP3,IMAP).	<p style="text-align: center;">COL Zdeněk Skaličan</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">zdenek.skalican@unob.cz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">(00)42097 3452301</p>			
				Computer Networks	1 week course. This course comprises an intensive introduction to the computer networks as layered ISO/OSI and TCP/IP models are. It is focused on most important Ethernet versions, WLANs, VLANs, Spanning Tree and IPv4/IPv6 protocols suites including VoIP questions. Next, the course also deals with the security issues. It is completed with hands on labs.						
				Radio Communication	1 week course. he course deals especially with the problems of antennas and radio waves propagation, the problems of data modulations, including the practical views of signals during the time as well as in the spectrum. The basic description of GSM and UMTS systems will be realized. In conclusion the participants of the course will be introduced with the activity of satellite facilities and systems.						
				IP Telephony	1 week course. The course introduces principles and technology solutions of integrated networks. Architecture of contemporary telecommunication system is presented. Students get acquainted with commonly used standards and interoperability issues when integrating IP telephony with legacy telecommunication systems.						
				Theoretical Fundaments of CBRN Defence	4 weeks course. The participants will be familiar with a theory of CBRN weapons, technical means for security protection, decontamination, detection and reconnaissance. The demonstration of basic kinds of chemical technology and material will be also a part of the course.	<p style="text-align: center;">LTC Pavel Foltin</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">pavel.foltin@unob.cz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">(00)42097 3443003</p>			
				International Security Course	1 week course. Current International Security Environment (Threats, Trends, Risks), Main Actors (Organizations, Agencies, NGOs, Private Military/Security Companies), Security Threats and Vulnerabilities, Security Environment Forecasting, Economics of Security, National Security of Critical Infrastructure, Security/Defence Research.						
				Weapons and ammunition – Small Arms	It focuses on the ballistics, ammunition and small arms principles and operation. During two weeks participants will be familiarized with effects and evaluation of small arms, their drives, mechanisms, mounting, aiming devices, and testing.				<p style="text-align: center;">COL Róbert Jankovych</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">robert.jakovych@unob.cz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">(00)42097 3445318</p>
				Algorithms and Programming	1 week course. This course starts with intensive introduction to the algorithms construction and debugging. It is focused on introduction into programming, using of contemporary integrated development environments (IDE) for application development. Students get acquainted with object oriented programming basics.						
				Military modelling and simulation	1 week course. This course deals with the role of modelling through a system life cycle. It is focused on architecture and working principles of military live, virtual, and constructive simulation systems. Way ahead in bringing simulators closer to mission area and the role of modelling and simulation in networked battlefield (NEC).				<p style="text-align: center;">COL Vlastimil Malý</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">vlastimil.maly@unob.cz</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NK</p>
				Programming of Embedded Systems	1 week course. This course starts with intensive introduction to the embedded system, single chip processors and their architecture. The course provides the knowledge & skills necessary to install IDE, make basic configuration and simple programs on processor.						






General mobility opportunities (3/4)

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 Email	POC Phone
 Romania	Military Technical Academy	-	2012	8-sept	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 33536 68 ext. 238
				07	NK	Jan. 2012	Military and Political International Relations	One-week course	Second year cadets	NK	3	-			
				7	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	-			
 France	Naval Academy	Navy	2012	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	2012	9-déc	1 Sep - 20 Dec	NK	International semester of higher strategic studies	Full semester exchange	English proficiency	9	20	-	Pr. Thomas Flichy	tomasflichy@hotmail.com	(00)33 -66560 3228
 Austria	Theresan Military Academy	Army	2012	Apr	22-27 Apr	24 Feb 2012	TEWT in a CMO-Scenario (Attack)	Leadership Training for attack in a Crisis Management Operations / Peace Support Operations - Scenario	The Module will be provided in English	16 (+ 4 staff)	3 (IDL is included)	-	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	(00)43 -664-6 22-216 1
		All	2012	Aug	06-24 Aug	8-juin-12	Summer Alpine Training	General Alpine Summer Course for international students		16 (+ 4 staff)	-	75			




General mobility opportunities (4/4)

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	POC Name	POC Email	POC Phone
SPAIN 	AGM	Army	2012	JUN	19-26 Jun	MAR 31 ST 2012	Exercise comprehensive Integration	Military Planing Execcc	Speak English. Students wich finished their speciality. To know Military Planing Methodology (tactical level)	24 (Infantry:6, Cavalry:2, Artillery:6, Antiaircraft artillery:2, Engineering:6, Telecommunications:2)	TCOL. Albiñana	ialbcel@et.mde.es	34976739 661 (Mil. 8839661)
	AGM (activity in ACINF)	Army	2012	FEB	21-25 Feb	JAN 31 ST 2012	Squad combat	Combat Unit Squad Second Year	To Know Spanish language. 2h year students	4			
	AGM (activity in ACINF)	Army	2012	FEB	26 Feb-3 Mar	JAN 31 ST 2012	Squad combat in urban areas	Combat Unit Squad Second Year	To Know Spanish language. 2h year students	4			
	AGM (activity in ACINF)	Army	2012	FEB	26Feb-3 Mar	JAN 31 ST 2012	Squad combat in urban areas	Combat Unit Squad Second Year	To Know Spanish language. 2h year students	4			
	ENM	Navy / Marines	2012	AUG	31Aug-22Dec	MAY 31 TH 2012	Fall semester term	Studying and living in ENM with Academic validation	3 rd / 4 th year students	1to2	C.C. Blanco	sbladur@fn.mde.es	0034 98680483 4 (Mil. 8244834)
	ENM	Navy / Marines	2012	APR	16-21 Apr	JAN 31 TH 2012	Spring training week	A week of instruction and training with Spanish students	2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th year students	1to2			
	ENM	Navy / Marines	2012	NOV	5Oct-Nov	AUG 31 TH 2012	Fall training week	A week of instruction and training with Spanish students	2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th year students	1to2			
	ENM	Navy	2012	JUN	11Jun-8 Jul	MAR 31 ST 2012	Year ending boarding summer training cruise	Boarding on Spanish Navy Warship/Schooner	2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th year students	1to2			
	ENM	Marines	2012	JUN	11Jun-10Jul	MAR 31 ST 2012	Year ending campment	Activities with Spanish Marines	2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th year students	1to2			
	ENM	Navy	2012	APR	01Apr-31Jul	JAN 31 TH 2012	B/E Elcano	Boarding on Spanish Top Sail Schooner for training cruise	4 th year students	1to2			
AGA	Air Force	2012	JUL	Five days	MAR 31 ST 2012	Joint seminar university of air force academy military history culture	Joint seminar University of Air Force Academy. Military History Culture. Aeronautics	1 nd / 2 nd / 3 rd / 4 th / 5 nd year students		Cte. Ichaso	richfra@ea.mde.es	34968189 172 (Mil. 8342172)	

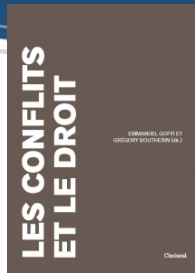
General mobility demands (1/2)

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 Email	POC phone
 Slovenia	Doctrine, Development, Education and Training Command	All	CSDP module	Students	2	NG	NG	Vinko VEGIC, PhD	vinko.vegic@mors.si	NK
 France	Military Academy Saint-Cyr Coëtquidan	All	CSDP module and PSO module	Students	6	NG	NG	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
 Czech Republic	University of Defence	All	Erasmus exchanges	Students and teaching staff, including researchers	12	Erasmus bilateral agreement	NG	Jaroslav Průcha	jaro-slav@email.cz	NK
 Estonia	National Defence College	All	Common modules and exchanges of staff	Students and staff	Numbers of staff available for exchanges not yet defined	NG	NG	Nele Rand	nele.rand@skk.edu.ee	NK
 Bulgaria	Nicola Vaptsarov Naval Academy	Navy	Weaponry training	France, Belgium or Netherlands	1	NG	NG	Svetlana Baneva	NK	0359 052 552 374

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 Email	POC Phone
	Military Technical (MTA), Naval (NA), Land Forces (LFA) and Air Force (AFA) academies	All	Exchanges of staff	"Economy" and/or "Military Science" areas	6	NG	NG	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", "LOAC", "Media Training"	Students	2-4 Students for each Module	NG	NG	LtCol Dr. GELL Harald	harald.gell@bmlvs.gv.at	-3404
Common Module Maritime Leadership			Students + 1 Officer (for first Module)	4 Students for each Module (+1 Officer as observer for the first Module)						
CSDP-Olympiade			Students	2-4 students						
	Military Technical Academy	-	CSDP module	Second year cadets	2	ECTS	NG	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 words and acts...



Reading

-**Sylvain Paile (Ed.)**, *Europe for the Future Officers, Officers for the Future Europe – Compendium of the European Military Officers Basic Education*, Polish Ministry of National Defence, Department of Science and Military Education, Warsaw, 2011, 226p. Available: <http://www.emilyo.eu/>

-“**Common Security and Defence Policy Modules – Austria 2011 – External Evaluation Report**”, Sylvain Paile, report. Link: <http://www.emilyo.eu/>

-Bachelor theses of students of the Theresan Military Academy (AT) on exchange possibilities with different European States. Link: <http://campus.milak.at/campus/iep/ExchangeTheses.php>

-**Grégory Bouterin, Emmanuel Goffi (Eds.)**, *Les Conflits et le Droit*, Choiseul, 2011, 200p. (collection of contributions to the seminar on the “Law of Armed Conflicts” organised by the French Air Force Academy in 2010). In French.

-“**Erasmus Militar**”, Colonel (Marines) Juan Lopez Diaz, Revista Espanola de Defensa, n°277, October 2011, pp32-33. In Spanish (Castillano). Available: http://www.defensa.gob.es/en/documentacion/revista/2011/red/red_277.html

Browsing

-Initiative for the exchange of young officers: <http://www.emilyo.eu/>

-Conference of Superintendents of Naval Academies: <http://www.eunaweb.eu/>

-European Air Force Academies (EUFAFA): <http://www.euafa.eu/output/login.php>

-List and websites of the European basic education and training institutes: <http://www.emilyo.eu/>

Studying

-Wikipedia articles on the Initiative: “European initiative for the exchange of young officers inspired by Erasmus” (English) or “Initiative européenne pour les échanges de jeunes officiers inspirée d’Erasmus” (French). Link: <http://en.wikipedia.org/>

-Presentation of the outcomes of the Warsaw High-Level Seminar, hosted by the Polish Presidency of the Council of the EU (12-14 October 2011). Link:

<http://pl2011.eu/en/content/conference-european-initiative-junior-officers-exchange-inspired-erasmus-program>

Next meeting:

Implementation Group: 15 February 2012, Brussels (BE)

Any information you would like to communicate, any article you would like to promote or achievement you would like to share?