



Implementation Group

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**Meeting of the Implementation Group for the
European initiative for the exchange of young officers
(inspired by Erasmus)
on 14 December 2011, 10:00 hrs
(Brussels, Kortenberg building,
Avenue de Cortenbergh 150 - 1000 Brussels)**

Approved Minutes

1. Adoption of the Agenda

The agenda was adopted with the addition of a new agenda item 7, on the High Level Conference that was organised in Warsaw in October 2011.

2. Common Module CSDP Olympiad

The Group adopted the Common module "CSDP Olympiad". The module will be presented to the Steering Committee to be noted.

3. Exchange Opportunities - Newsletter and Wikipedia page

The Group approved the edition 3 of the CSDP Newsletter, prepared by Mr Paile.

Some representatives requested that the Points of Contacts mentioned in the Newsletter would at least reply if a request for an exchange is sent to them. A strong plea was also made that the information given to be included in the newsletter would be as complete as possible, in particular concerning the timeslot for the exchange opportunities.

The Group was informed of the existence of a new Wikipedia page on the European Initiative for the Exchange of Young Officers.

4. Preparation of the Annual Report

The Group further developed the draft annual Report on the Initiative. The Secretariat will distribute a revised version and will request additional inputs in time for the next IG meeting, when the report will be finalised with a view to forward it to the Steering Committee. Differently from the previous years, the report will follow the standard procedure of all reports on ESDC training activities.

5. Line of Development 2 - State of Play

The Chairperson of LoD 2 informed that he had received so far 13 replies on the question sent out to Member States. Late replies are still most welcome. The timing agreed in September is still valid, so that an Subgroup meeting on LoD 2 can take place in March or April and that the final results of the LoD 2 could probably be presented in the IG meeting in June 2012.

6. Work Plan 2012 - Finalisation

The Group developed further and finalised the Work Plan for 2012. The Secretariat made a request to receive additional information about the exact dates of the Conferences of the Commandants and Superintendents of the Single Service Groups.

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7. Report on the High-Level Conference

The Group received a presentation on the conduct and the main findings of the High-Level Conference on the European Initiative for the exchange of young officers, conducted by the Polish Presidency of the Council of the EU in Warsaw from 12 to 14 October 2011.

Among the conclusions the most relevant ones have been a great interest and involvement, relevant points of view (in particular on lessons learnt from exchanges), increasing need of further developing the Initiative.

Nevertheless, the conference results might have profited from a larger participation of in particular higher level participants from some Member States.

A closer coordination of efforts between the Single Service Conferences and the IG has been also recommended.

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A full list of the participants will be distributed by the Polish organisers of the Conference. No formal document is envisaged by the Polish Authorities on the Conference findings.

8. AOB

Austria thanked Mr Paile for the excellent report on the Common Modules on CSDP that they organised in October 2011. The report is already available on the EMILYO website and on the website of the Austrian Theresan Military Academy and will be presented in the next IG meeting for adoption.

Based on the report of the two Common Modules on CSDP held in Austria and in line with the decision to use only integer numbers, the Group decided to attribute 2 ECTS (in stead of the 1.5 currently in the curriculum) to the Common Module on CSDP.

The list of Points of Contacts in the different Academies should be completed. The Secretariat will add the current list to these minutes and kindly invites the IG Members to verify and update the information.

Done at Brussels, 12 January 2011

For the Implementation Group:
The Chair,

(Signed)

Cesare CIOCCA

For the Secretariat,

(Signed)

Dirk DUBOIS