

European Initiative

for the exchange of young officers inspired by Erasmus

**The
Initiative**

**Erasmus
Militaire**



EMILYO

**Military
Erasmus**

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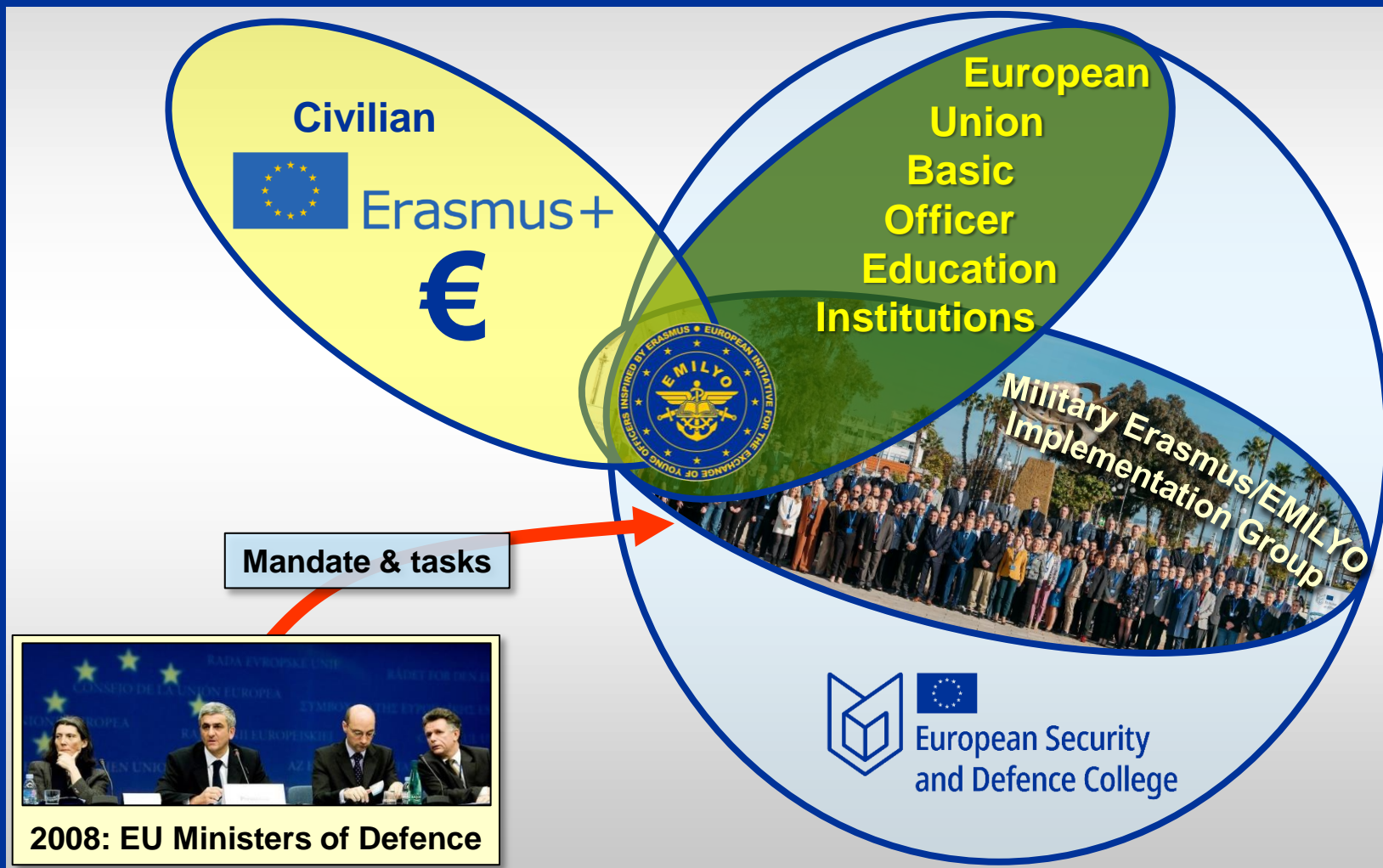
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What is “Military Erasmus” / “EMILYO” ?



2008: EU Ministers of Defence

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Areas of EMILYO Elaborations

The EMILYO (Military Erasmus)
Implementation Group covers **both**, the ...

academic part



AND
↔

**non-academic
(vocational) part**



**of the basic officer education
of **all** services.**

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Purpose of EUMACS



2008: EU-Ministers of Defence



Mandate & tasks



**2009: Military Erasmus (EMILYO)
Implementation Group**

(pic: 65th meeting in Larnaca at CDSA / CY in February 2025)



Since 2017: **EMACS** in Tartu/EE
→ all services & linked to EMILYO (€)

**Annual
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Why we are doing that?



Source: <https://at.pinterest.com/pin/1829656082120694/>. [31-5-24].

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Order / task



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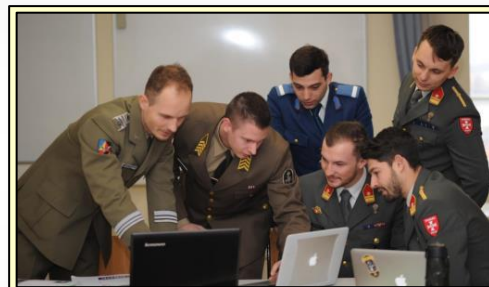
- Increase **interoperability**;
- **Harmonise** EU Basic Officer Education;
- thus
- Promote a **“European Security and Defence Culture”**.

Share expertise & knowledge



- **Pool of lecturers / instructors** is created (EMILYO website).
- Rotating principle.
- **Full support by IG** if a Common Module is organised for the first time.

Huge benefits for Cadets & Midshipmen



Based on Habilitation Research:

- Increase of Cadets' / Midshipmen's **skills & competencies**.
- Increase of **interoperability & EU Security and Defence Culture**.

Source: Council of the European Union, Council Conclusions on the ESDP, 2903rd External Relations Council Meeting. Brussels. 10th and 11th November, 2008:

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is involved in Military Erasmus / EMILYO

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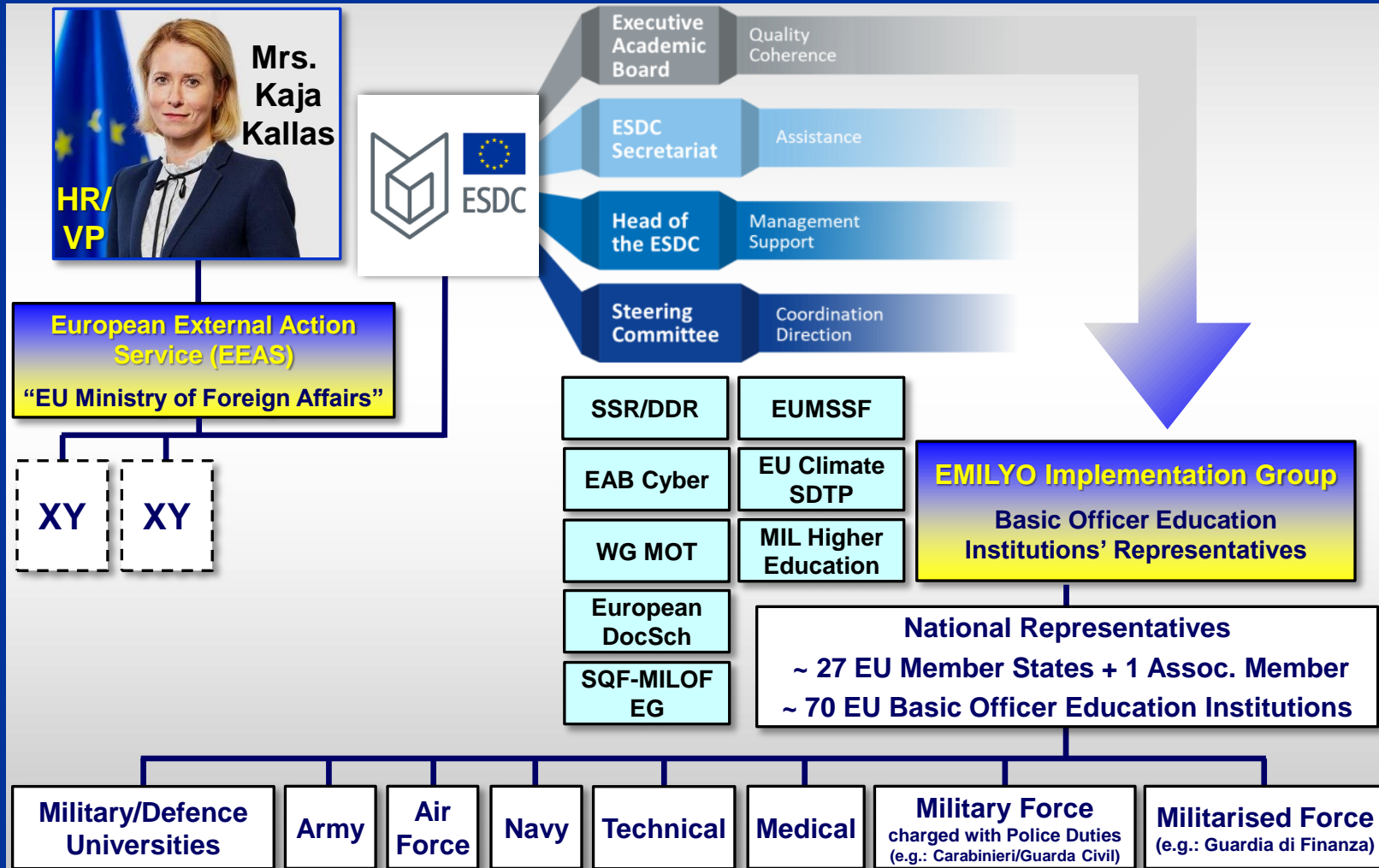
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General Remarks



Source: <https://www.harryanddavid.com/blog/how-to-say-thank-you-in-different-languages>. [31-5-24]



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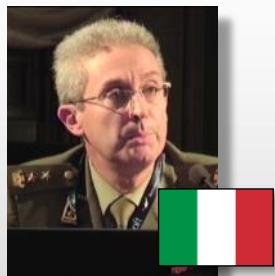
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for EMILYO ("Chief of Staff")**
ESDC (CY / CDSA)



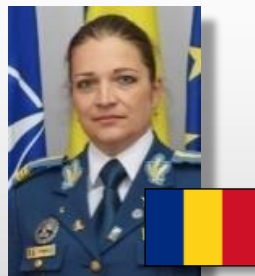
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EMILYO
Implementation
Group**
AT / TMA



**Vice-Chair
Human
Resources**
PT / PMA



**Vice-Chair
Education**
IT / IAOS



**Vice-Chair
Logistics**
RO / HCAFA



**Vice-Chair
Technical
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RO / MTA

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LoD-01	LoD-02	LoD-03	LoD-04	LoD-05
System of Equivalences	Develop. of Competences	Development of e-learning	Create an IT-Platform	(Legal) Framework
SIMOENS Tom BE / RMA	DIMITROV Nedko BG / NVNA	COELHO Vasco PT / PtAFA	HRISTOV Georgi BG / NDU	SIMONEAU-BYRNE Fiona FR / FNA
				
				
LoD-06	LoD-07	LoD-08	LoD-09	LoD-10
Strategic Communication	Financing the Initiative	Common Modules	Future Projects	Gender Mainstreaming
TSANAKAS Konstantinos GR / HAFA	HERMAN Ramona RO / LFA	KARADIMAS Nikolaos GR / HAA	JAGIELLO-TONDERA Agata PL / MUT	ATANASOVA-KRASTEVA Nevena BG / NDU
				
				

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LoD-11	LoD-12	LoD-13	LoD-14	LoD-15
Int'l Naval Semester	Int'l Air Force Semester	Science and Technology	Research & Development	Int'l Medical Semester
POPA Catalin RO / RNA	KARAMPELAS Panagiotis GR / HAFA	SAVA Alin-Constantin RO / MTA	LECOMPTE David BE / RMA	Frozen
				
				
LoD-16	LoD-17	LoD-18	LoD-19	LoD-20
EU Military Academy-CJS	Int'l Air Defence Semester	Language Edu. & Training	Int'l Logistics Semester	Space
Frozen	GHERMAN Laurian RO / HCAFA	HOLCNER Vladan CZ / UoD	GRZELAK Malgorzata PL / MUT	ANTONIOU Vyrion GR / HAA
				
				

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Hybrid Warfare				
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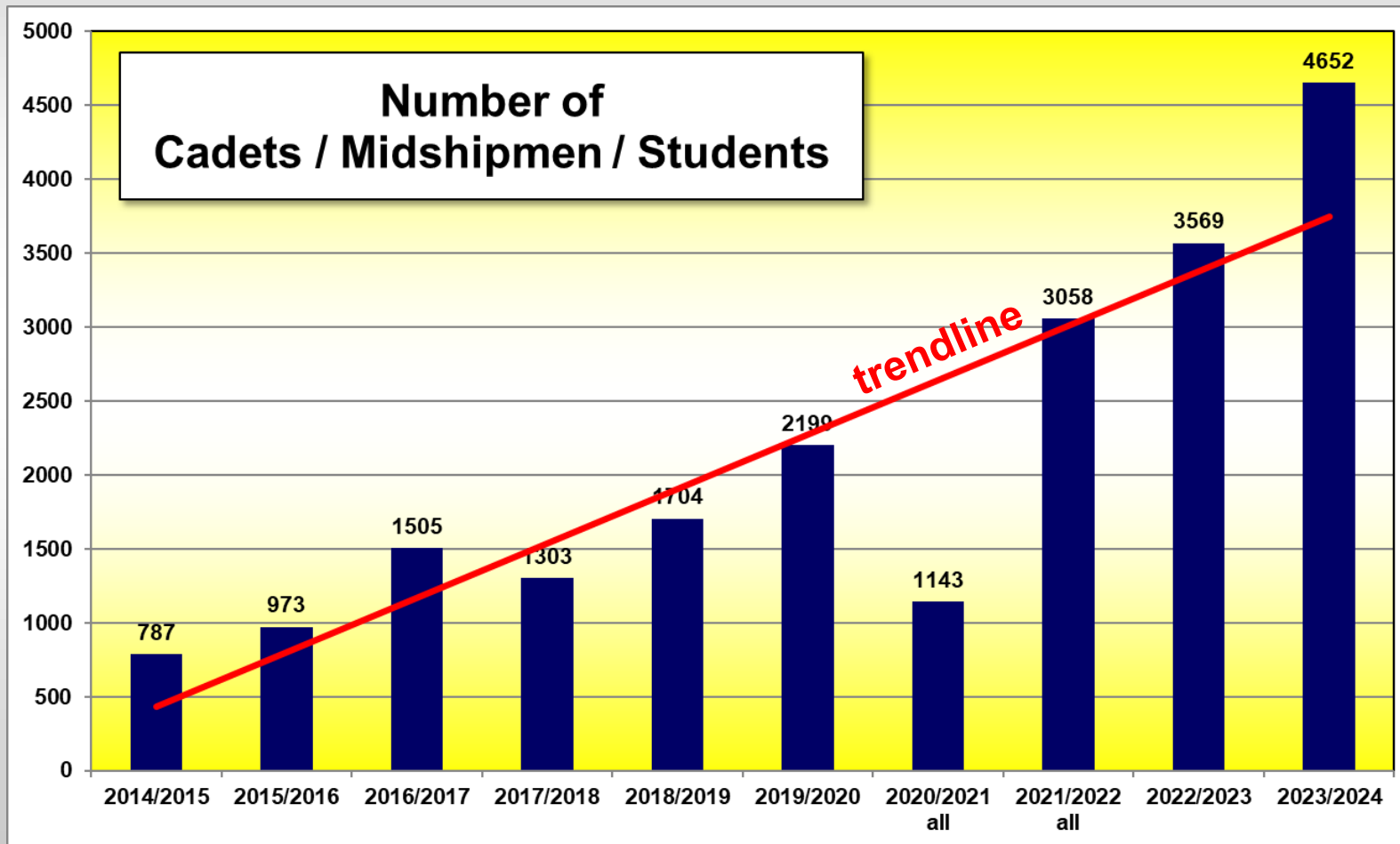
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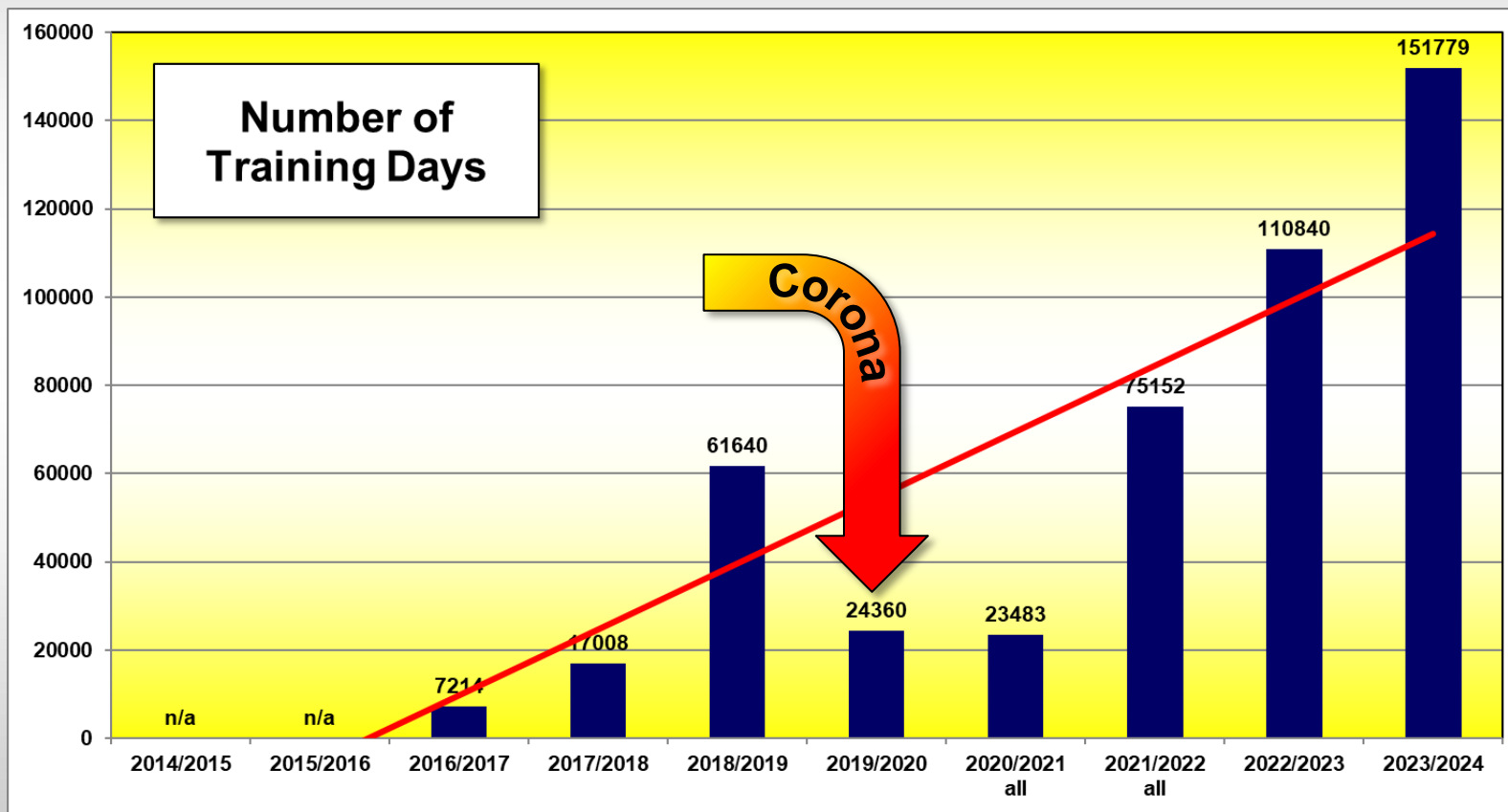
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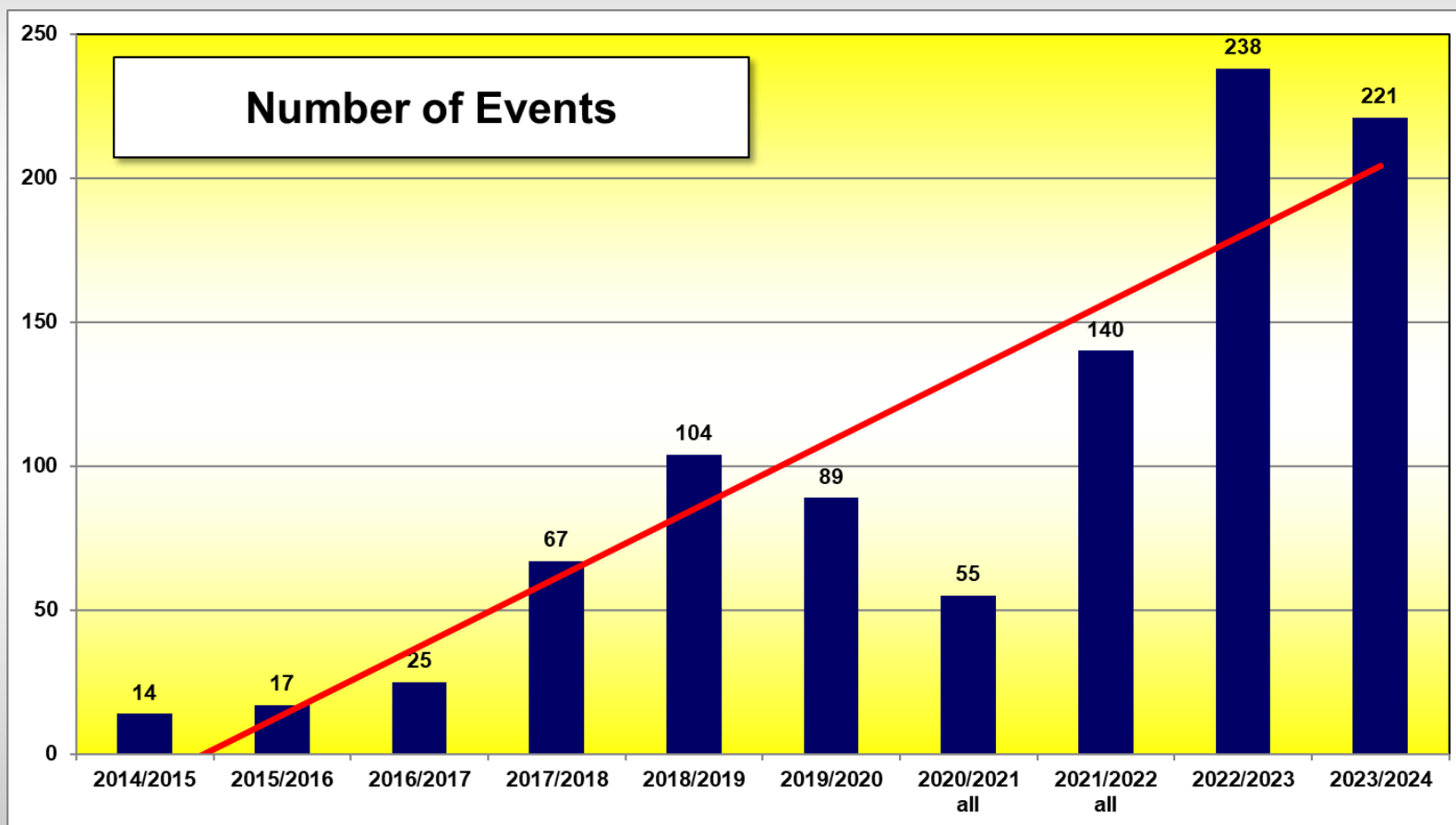
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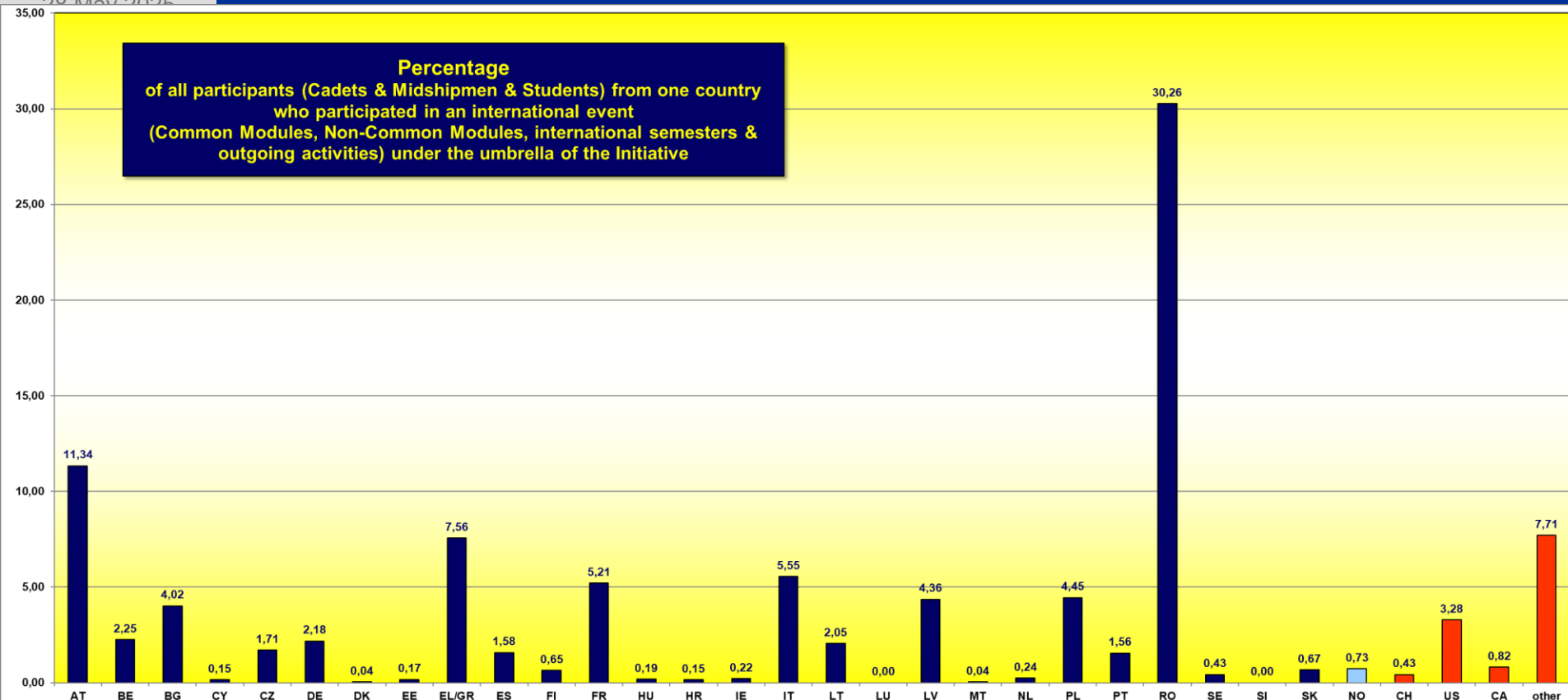
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LoD-20: Space (achievements so far):

- **Chair from HAA.**
- **Organised LoD-20 meetings during each IG meeting.**
- **Creation of a Common Module
→ under revision process.**
- **Enlarge LoD-20 community of interest (Commandants' help is kindly requested in order to motivate space-related academic staff to participate in IGs).**
- **Exploring the possibility to engage EU institutions (i.e. ESA, SatCen).**



Source: <https://www.forbes.com/sites/brucedorminey/2022/05/31/5-space-exploration-imperatives-to-hit-by-2030/>. [18-5-25].

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LoD-20: Space (Contents of the new CM):

- Capabilities provided by the Copernicus Earth Observation SESA (Support to EU External and Security Actions) component .
- SESA capabilities for ISR (Intelligence, Surveillance, and Reconnaissance).
- SESA capabilities for Situational Awareness.
- Basic knowledge in space operations, orbital mechanics, space meteorology, and space debris.



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LoD-21: Hybrid Warfare (achievements so far):

- **Chair from HCAFA.**
- **Organising the 1st Train-the-Trainers Hybrid Threats module 8-12 December 2025 at HCAFA.**
- **Identifying the corpus of European key experts .**
- **Developing a common modules in the areas of Information Operations (InfoOps), Social Networks, Military Ethics in Hybrid Warfare, Emerging Technologies, and AI.**
- **Building a pool of lecturers specialised in the key areas.**
- **Organising 1 CM during summer semester 2026 / 1 during winter semester 2026.**
- **Publication in 2026 of the first issue of a Hybrid journal.**

Source: https://stock.adobe.com/at/search?k=%22hybrid+war%22&asset_id=963990025. [18-5-25].

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Some Examples ...

LoD No.	LoD Name	Solved	On-going
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2	Development of Competences	✓	✗
3	Development of IDL/e-learning	✓	✗
4	Create an IT-Platform (www.emilyo.eu)	✓	
5	(Legal) Framework	✓	✗
6	Strategic Communication	✓	✗
7	Financing the Initiative	✓	✗
8	Common Modules	✓	✗
9	Future Projects	✓	✗
10	Gender Mainstreaming	✓	✗
11	International Naval Semester	✓	✗
12	International Air Force Semester	✓	
13	International Technical Semester	✓	✗
14	Research & Development	✓	✗
15	International Medical Semester (frozen)		
16	European Union Military Academy (frozen)	✓	
17	International Air Defence Semester		✗
18	Language Education & Training	✓	✗
19	International Logistics Semester	✓	✗
20	Space	✓	✗
21	Hybrid Threats	✓	✗

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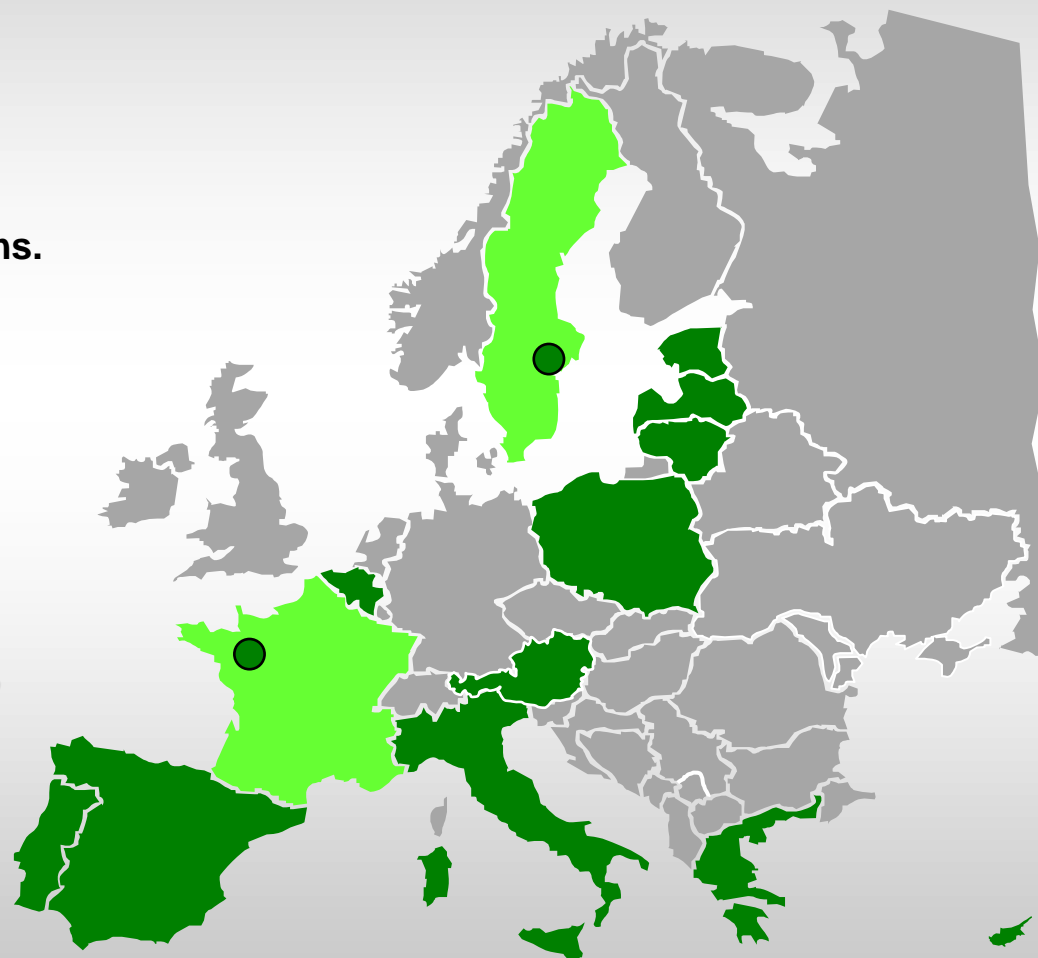
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Some Examples ...

-  = Countries, which already opted-in.
-  = bilateral agreement between 2 institutions.

Attempt via the
ESDC Steering
Committee:
→ National
Ministries of
Defence → **BOEI?**
→ No results.

New LoD-05 Chair.



The document is available at: <https://www.emilyo.eu/lod-5-framework>

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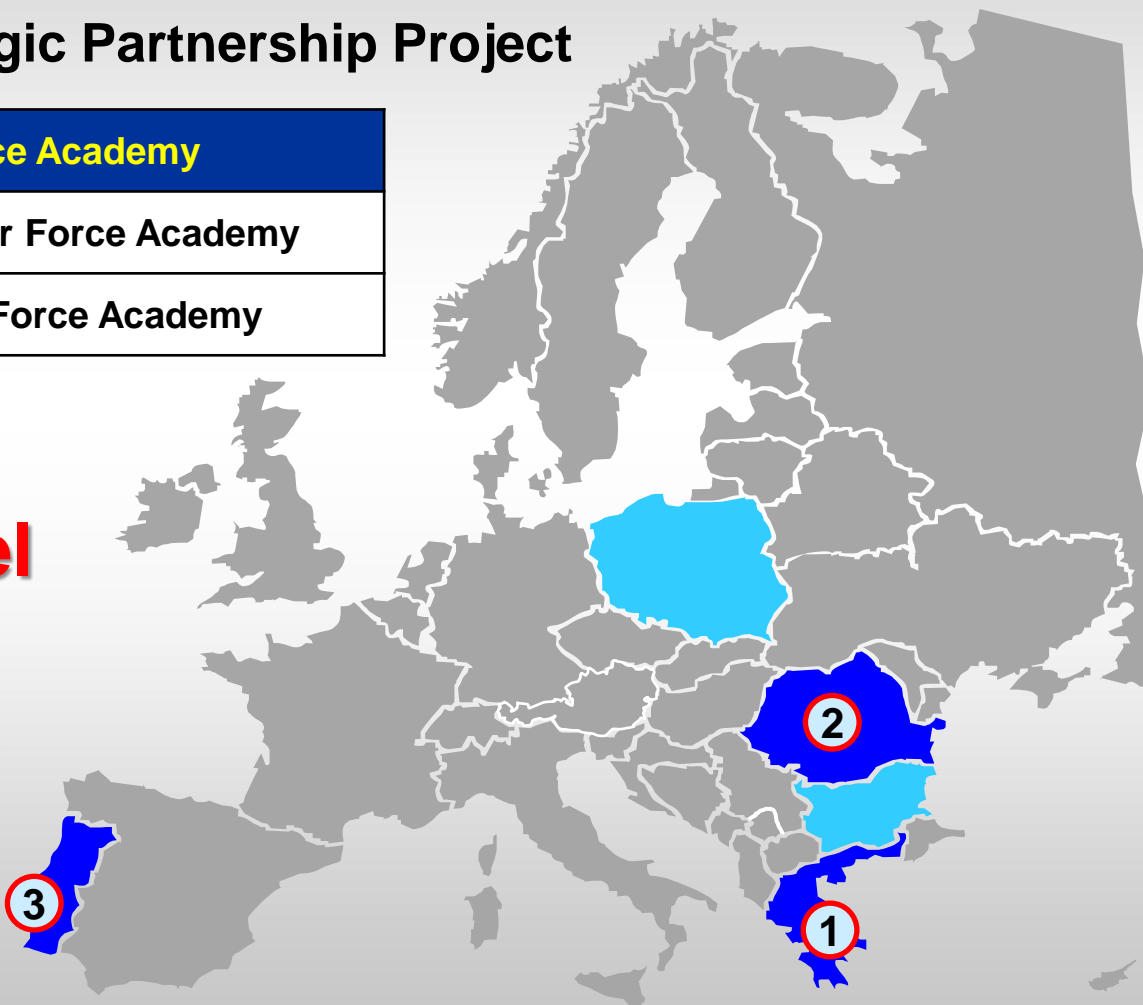
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Erasmus+ Strategic Partnership Project

1	GR	Hellenic Air Force Academy
2	RO	Henri Coanda Air Force Academy
3	PT	Portuguese Air Force Academy

**A role-model
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- Easy exchanges.
- Improvement English skills.
- Harmonisation of Air Force cadets' competences.
- Modules according to international standards.
- Long term ties.
- Common researches.
- **Kind request to join ...
(flexible system!)**

2023	2024	2025
GR – HAFA	GR – HAFA	GR – HAFA
PT – PTAF	PT – PTAF	PT – PTAF
RO – HCAFA	RO – HCAFA	RO – HCAFA
PL – PAFU	PL – PAFU	PL – PAFU
	BG – BAFA	BG – BAFA
		ES - SASFA?



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- Ensure that **all Basic Officer Education Institutions** of all Member States are **involved** in the European Initiative for the exchange of young officers inspired by Erasmus.
- Review and update the existing Common Modules according to the **SQF-MILOF** guidelines and to priorities, as well as create new modules based on the most current requirements.
- Implementation of the **European Common Technical Semester on Defence and Security** (E_UCTS_{DS}) and launch of new projects for international semesters in the fields of **air defence, logistics, and navy**.
- Establishment of the **new Line of Developments on Space and on Hybrid Warfare**.
- Encourage all EU institutions in **organising EMILYO activities and/or sending Cadets/Midshipmen/Students**.
- Ensure all EU MS to **opt-in the EMILYO Framework Agreement** for facilitating exchanges of military students and lecturers.

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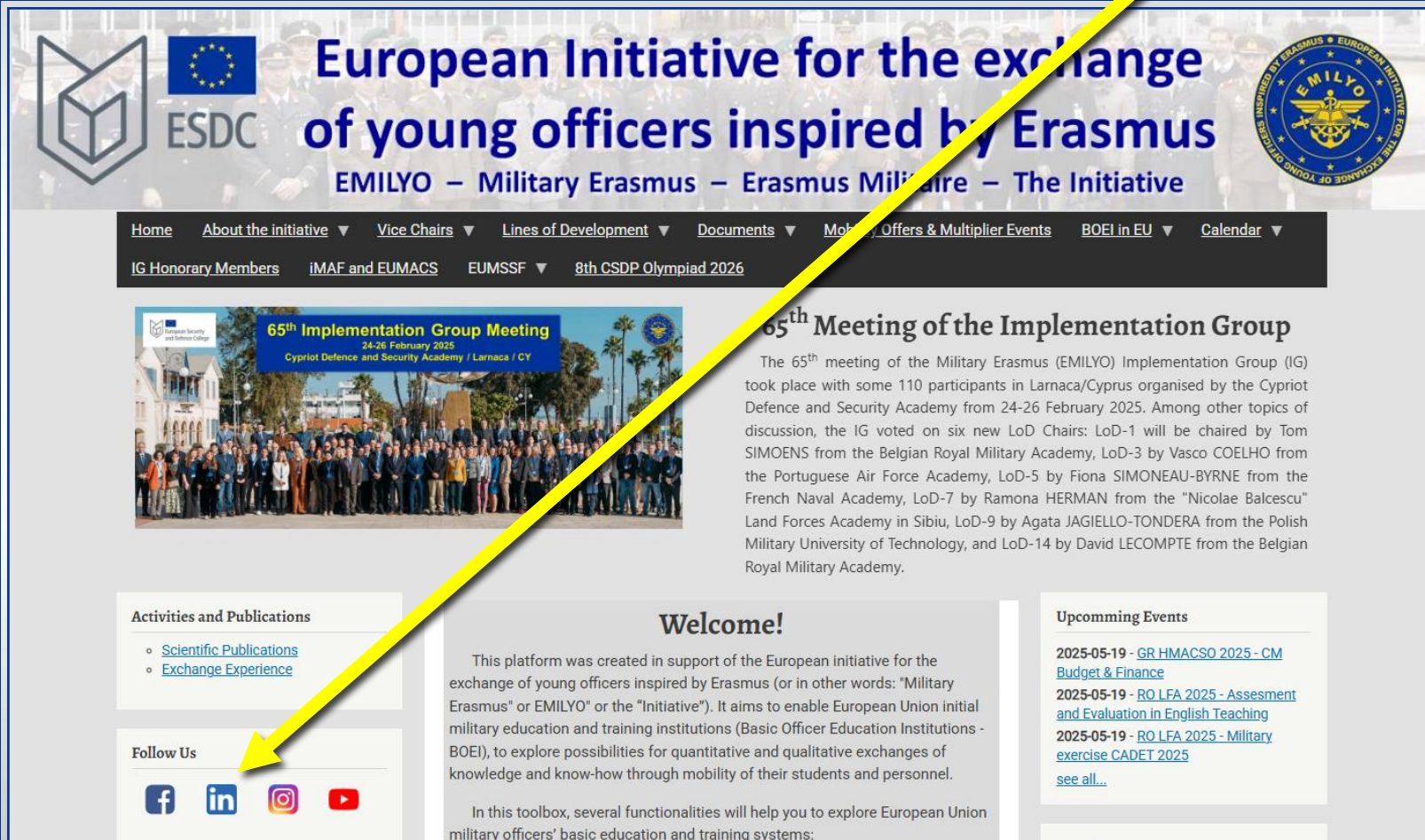
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www.emilyo.eu



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- Header:** European Initiative for the exchange of young officers inspired by Erasmus. EMILYO – Military Erasmus – Erasmus Military – The Initiative.
- Navigation Bar:** Home, About the initiative, Vice Chairs, Lines of Development, Documents, Mobility Offers & Multiplier Events, BOEI in EU, Calendar.
- Secondary Navigation:** IG Honorary Members, IMAF and EUMACS, EUMSSF, 8th CSDP Olympiad 2026.
- Main Content Area:**
 - 65th Implementation Group Meeting:** 24-26 February 2025, Cypriot Defence and Security Academy / Larnaca / CY. Includes a group photo.
 - 65th Meeting of the Implementation Group:** The 65th meeting of the Military Erasmus (EMILYO) Implementation Group (IG) took place with some 110 participants in Larnaca/Cyprus organised by the Cypriot Defence and Security Academy from 24-26 February 2025. Among other topics of discussion, the IG voted on six new LoD Chairs: LoD-1 will be chaired by Tom SIMOENS from the Belgian Royal Military Academy, LoD-3 by Vasco COELHO from the Portuguese Air Force Academy, LoD-5 by Fiona SIMONEAU-BYRNE from the French Naval Academy, LoD-7 by Ramona HERMAN from the "Nicolae Balcescu" Land Forces Academy in Sibiu, LoD-9 by Agata JAGIELLO-TONDERA from the Polish Military University of Technology, and LoD-14 by David LECOMPTE from the Belgian Royal Military Academy.
- Activities and Publications:**
 - [Scientific Publications](#)
 - [Exchange Experience](#)
- Welcome!**

This platform was created in support of the European initiative for the exchange of young officers inspired by Erasmus (or in other words: "Military Erasmus" or EMILYO" or the "Initiative"). It aims to enable European Union initial military education and training institutions (Basic Officer Education Institutions - BOEI), to explore possibilities for quantitative and qualitative exchanges of knowledge and know-how through mobility of their students and personnel.

In this toolbox, several functionalities will help you to explore European Union military officers' basic education and training systems:
- Upcomming Events:**
 - [2025-05-19 - GR HMACSO 2025 - CM Budget & Finance](#)
 - [2025-05-19 - RO LFA 2025 - Assessment and Evaluation in English Teaching](#)
 - [2025-05-19 - RO LFA 2025 - Military exercise CADET 2025](#)
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Date	Country	Institution	Event-Name	Registration Deadline	Languages E=English F=French	ECTS	POC/Web-Page
27 May - 30 May 2025	PL	Military University of Technology (WAT) & Polish Air Force University (PAFU)	EUMACS 2025 & EUAFA-CC 2025 Official EUMACS invitation Official EUAFA-CC invitation Webpage EUMACS 2025	28 Mar 2025 Extended to 11 Apr 2025 Registration closed	E	-	eumacs2025@law.mil.pl
02 Jun - 06 Jun 2025	RO	Romanian Naval Academy "Mircea cel Batran"	66th Meeting of the Implementation Group & International Military Academic Forum 2025 (iMAF 2025) Invitation Presentation (as of 22 March 2025) Agenda (as of 22 March 2025) Link to Registration Registration form for cadets (word) Hotel Reservation Form Template for cadets (pptx)	11 May 2025	E	-	Col Cătălin POPA, PhD, MSc catalin.popa@anmb.ro international@anmb.ro

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- **The voice of a MUT graduate**
(established for the iMAF in Constanta next week)
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