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International Military Academic Forum 2026

**National Defence Academy of Latvia (NDAL), Riga (LV)
 25-29 May 2026**

Draft programme

Monday, 25 May 2026		
Location: War Museum / Dress Code: business casual		
Time	Event	Remarks
All Day	Arrival to Riga/check-in according to the participants' self-arrangements	
15:30-17:00	• Vice Chairs' & LoD Chairs' meeting	
17:00-18:30	• IG Newcomers' Meeting	
19:30-21:30	• Official Icebreaker	

Tuesday, 26 May 2026		
Location: National Defence Academy of Latvia / Dress code: A-class uniform or business casual		
Time	Event	Remarks
08:00-08:30	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel to the National Defence Academy of Latvia	
08:30-09:00	Registration / security check (ID or Passport required)	
09:00-09:15	Welcoming Session – Opening Remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representative of National Defence of Latvia • Commander National Defence Academy of Latvia • Chair of EMILYO IG 	
09:30-09:45	Group Photo	
09:45-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adoption of the agenda • Update from the ESDC Military Erasmus Training Coordinator on the ESDC latest developments and EMILYO Activity Contribution and Scheduling 2026-2027 	
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Voting on the Vice Chairs • (Past and) Future Events (part 1) • Introduction to the Lines of Development (for the afternoon) 	

12:30-13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30-14:30	<p>Meetings in different configurations chaired by the respective LoD chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LoD-01 & LoD-02 & LoD-08 System of Equivalences, Development of Competences & Common Modules • LoD-06 Strategic Communication • LoD-12 International Air Force Semester • LoD-13 Sciences & Technical Education • LoD-20 Space <p style="text-align: center;">(see LoDs' agenda on last page)</p>	
14:30-15:00	Coffee Break – Change of LoD	
15:00-16:00	<p>Meetings in different configurations chaired by the respective LoD chair:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • LoD-03 IDL Platform • LoD-10 Gender Mainstreaming • LoD-17 International Defence Semester • LoD-19 International Logistics Semester • LoD-21 Hybrid Threats <p style="text-align: center;">(see LoDs' agenda on last page)</p>	
16:15-17:00	Transfer from the National Defence Academy of Latvia to the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel	

Wednesday, 27 May 2026		
Location: National Defence Academy of Latvia / Dress code: A-class uniform or business casual		
Time	Event	Remarks
08:00-08:30	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel to the National Defence Academy of Latvia	
08:30-09:00	Registration / security check (ID or Passport required)	
09:00-10:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (Past and) Future Events (part 2) • Introduction of new common modules 	
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reports from the respective LoDs' chairs 	
12:30-13:30	Lunch Break	
13:30-15:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Update on 71st EMILYO IG meeting, Brussels 7-9 September 2026 and Proposals for the agenda for the 71st IG meeting • Update on EUMACS 2027, Athens, October 2027 • Update on 8th CSDP Olympiad • Update on IG Meetings of the Academic Year 2026 and beyond • Discussion about new IG Honorary Members • Work plan update & AoB 	
15:00-15:30	Transfer from the National Defence Academy of Latvia to the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel	Change clothes to casual
16:00-19:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cultural visit: Old Town Riga, War Museum, Museum of the Occupation (KGB Building) 	

Thursday, 28 May 2026

Location: National Defence Academy of Latvia / Dress code: A-class uniform or business casual

Time	Event	Remarks
08:00-08:30	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel to the NDAL	
08:30-09:00	Registration / security check (ID or Passport required)	
09:00-09:30	• iMAF 2026 Opening Ceremony	
09:30-09:45	Group Photo	
09:45-10:45	Panel discussion 1: Lessons learned from wartime officer education focus on lessons from Ukraine and their adjustment in officer's preparation	
10:45-11:15	Coffee Break	
11:15-12:15	Panel discussion 2: Deterrence of Russia NATO FLF implications in Latvia (focus on EU nations and officer's ability to work together on mission in Latvia)	
12:15-13:15	Lunch Break	
13:15-14:15	Panel discussion 3: Baltic Sea regional security (focus on NATO EU dimension)	
14:30-15:00	Transfer from the NDAL to the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel	Change clothes to casual
15:30-16:30	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel to Sigulda	
16:30-18:30	• Cultural visit: Turaida Castle	
18:30-19:30	Transfer from Sigulda to the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel	Change clothes to formal business
20:00-20:15	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel to Lido	
20:15-23:00	• Official Dinner	
23:00-23:15	Transfer from Lido to the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel	

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Time	Event	Remarks
08:00-08:30	Transfer from the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel to the National Defence Academy of Latvia	
08:30-09:00	Registration / security check (ID or Passport required)	
09:00-10:30	• Cadet's presentations	
10:30-11:00	Coffee Break	
11:00-12:30	• iMAF 2026 Conclusions • iMAF 2026 Closing Ceremony	
12:30-13:00	Transfer from the National Defence Academy of Latvia to the Radisson Blu Latvija Conference & Spa Hotel	
13:00- All Day	Departures (individually)	



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LoD sessions on 26 May 2026

Time	Room 104, Oslo	Room 201, Bodø	Room 101, Bergen:	Room 102, Kirkenes	Room 202, Trondheim
13:30 - 14:30	LoD-01 & LoD-02 & LoD-08 System of Equivalences, Development of Competences & Common Modules	LoD-06 Strategic Communication	LoD-12 International Air Force Semester	LoD-13 Sciences & Technical Education	LoD-20 Space
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Revise the IAFS modules. Streamlined process: what to do to have all CM formatted according to the template. Mistakes often made (WH's - ECTS). 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update of the EMILYO Strategic Communication Plan. Formal organization of Social Media content creation guidelines Prepare a presentation of updated Strategic Communication plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Preparation of Academic Schedule and Administration Information for IAFS 2026-2027 Review of the Code of Conduct Handbook and the Academies' Presentations Planning for cadets mobilities and instructors' exchanges 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CM <i>Ballistics</i> - Final version of the LoD 13 CM <i>Optoelectronic Systems for Defence and Security</i> - draft of Curricula <i>Students' International Conference "CERC"</i> - follow up, participants' opinions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CM Implementation Academic Engagement Next Steps
14:30 - 15:00	Coffee Break – Change LoDs				
15:30 - 16:30	LoD-03 IDL Development	LoD-10 Gender Mainstreaming	LoD-17 Int'l Air Defence Semester	LoD-19 International Logistics Semester	LoD-21 Hybrid Threats
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Update on list of e-learning content already developed by the institutions Discussion to merge list with list of CM Way ahead: what if no e-learning content is available? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Topic, programme and place for the 7th Erasmus Gender Seminar Organisational details of the next edition of the CM GPSD New ideas, projects and way ahead 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Collection of feedback from participating institutions regarding the first iteration of the IADS. Analysis of the teaching exchanges conducted during the IADS. Presentation and discussion of cadets' feedback following the first iteration of the IADS. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Final revision of Inventory Management CM and Warehouse Management CM First proposal of Transport and cargo handling CM Discussion about conducting approval CM for logistics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Short report on Common Module & Debate Forum Preparation for the next TTT Module on Hybrid Threats Future events. Status on Hybrid Journal

No meeting for Lines of Development:

LoD 4 IT-Platform,

LoD-05 Framework,

LoD-07 Financing the Initiative,

LoD-9 Future Projects,

LoD-11 Naval Education and Training, **LoD-14** Research & Development and

LoD-18 Language Education and Training

