

HELLENIC AIR FORCE ACADEMY ATHENS – GREECE



INVITATION

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,

The Hellenic Air Force Academy, under the auspices of the European Security and Defence College and in accordance with the framework of the European initiative for the exchange of young military officers inspired by Erasmus, has the honour of organising the Mil Drone Challenge 2026.

We are pleased to invite a delegation from your Military Academy to participate in the Challenge, which will be organized at the Hellenic Air Force Academy from 13 to 16 July 2026.

The Mil Drone Challenge 2026 is organized within the framework of the Erasmus+ Programme and aims to bring together cadets, instructors, and military personnel from European military academies in order to promote innovation, teamwork, and the exchange of knowledge and best practices related to Unmanned Aerial Systems (UAS).

The Challenge will include mandatory technical documentation submission and operational mission demonstrations focusing on unmanned aircraft system (UAS) design, autonomous navigation, operational safety, and flight performance. Within a simulated operational scenario, participating teams will be required to deploy a drone in order to search a designated area, locate and identify a wounded soldier, and accurately deliver a first-aid kit in conditions where immediate human intervention is not possible. The event will also provide an opportunity for cadets, instructors, and military personnel from European military academies to exchange knowledge, best practices, and innovative approaches related to UAS technologies and their operational applications in modern military environments.

We would be honoured to welcome your delegation to the Hellenic Air Force Academy and look forward to your positive response.

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