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Invitation to the
CSDP Orientation Course (13-14/3/2)

Brussels, 4 – 8 November 2013

Lithuanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union together with the Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports, and supported by the ESDC Secretariat, will organise a Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) Orientation Course that will take place from 4 to 8 November 2013 in Brussels.

The CSDP Orientation Course is a major component of EU training activities in the field of the Common Security and Defence Policy with the aim to develop and promote a better understanding of CSDP as an essential part of the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) of the European Union. The major aim of this course is to provide you with a general overview on the civilian and military aspects of European Security and Defence Policy getting more into detail as the course unfolds. This particular Orientation Course will have a focus on CSDP cooperation with the Eastern Partnership (EaP) countries and will include participants from the EaP countries.

Lithuanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union together with the Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports are therefore very pleased to invite you to this ESDC training activity, which is an excellent opportunity to gain a good understanding of the CSDP in the global security environment and to contribute to the further development of a European security culture as well as cooperation between the EU and non-EU partners.

Attached to this letter you will find details concerning the content of the course, the registration process and a tentative programme.

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Fact Sheet

- The course is open to both civilian and military personnel from EU Member States, EU Institutions and Agencies, which are each invited to nominate up to two participants. EaP countries are encouraged to nominate up to five participants.
- The language regime of the CSDP will apply (English and French without translation).
- Attendance of the course is mandatory on all days. A certificate will be awarded to those course participants who have completed the full course, including the IDL phase.
- All costs for travelling, accommodation and catering shall be covered by the sending authorities. Special arrangements were made for EaP countries.
- Applications are to be filed via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST (<https://esdc-enlist.consilium.europa.eu>) by designated nominators, no later than **26 September 2013**.
- Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat AND upon completion of the registration form by the nominated participant.
- The course venue for the week will be Albert Borchete Conference Center, Rue Froissart 36, Brussels (TBC).
- A reception on Monday, 4 November 2013 will be held at the Permanent Representation of Austria to the European Union at Avenue de Cortenbergh 30, Brussels.
- A reception on Thursday, 7 November 2013 will be held at the Permanent Representation of Lithuania to the European Union at Rue Belliard 41-43, Brussels.
- The course will start 1 October with the IDL-phase. The residential part of the course will take place in Brussels from 4 November to 8 November 2013 (Monday 1400 to Friday 1330).
- Further detailed information on the course will be forwarded via e-mail directly to the course participants by the Course Director, Mr Robertas Šapronas, Defence Adviser at Lithuanian Permanent Representation to the EU, as soon as the list of participants is completed.



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Tentative Programme

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Monday, 4 November	Tuesday, 5 November	Wednesday, 6 November	Thursday, 7 November	Friday, 8 November
	09.00 - 10.30 EU Crisis Management Structures 10.30 - 11.00 Break 11.00 - 12.30 CFSP/CSDP Supporting Structures	09.00 - 10.30 European Commission's role in the CSDP 10.30 - 11.00 Break 11.00 - 12.45 The Role of the European Parliament in CFSP/CSDP	09.00 - 10.00 Building Security in our Neighbourhood and beyond 10.00 - 11.00 11.00 - 11.30 Break 11.30 - 12.30 Workshop	09.00 - 10.30 Workshop - conclusions 10.30 - 11.00 Break 11.00 - 12.00 Future perspectives for CSDP 12.00 - 13.00 Closing remarks, evaluation and closing ceremony
	12.30 - 14.00 Lunch Break	12.45 - 14.00		
13.30 - 14.00 Registration 14.00 - 14.30 Course opening remarks 14.30 - 14.45 Welcome address 14.45 - 15.15 Key note speech 15.15 - 15.45 Break 15.45 - 17.15 The European Security Strategy	14.00 - 15.30 European Civilian and Military Capabilities 15.30 - 16.00 Break 16.00 - 17.30 Policy Shaping and Decision making in CFSP/CSDP	14.00 - 15.30 CFSP / CSDP aspects of EaP 15.30 - 16.00 Break 16.00 - 17.30 Effective Multilateralism and working with partners	14.00 - 17.00 Workshop continues	
18.00 - 20.00 Reception in Austrian PermRep			18.00 - 20.00 Reception in Lithuanian PermRep	

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