



**INVITATION TO THE ESDC COURSE  
« EU'S CIVILIAN AND MILITARY CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT »  
ESDC – 16-17/8/1**

**18<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018, Brussels**

The French Institute for higher national defense studies (IHEDN) has the honor to organize within the European security and defense college (ESDC) the course « EU's civilian and military capability development ». This course will be held in Brussels from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2018.

Nowadays, Europe is facing many security challenges, both internal and external. Such challenges require civilian and military effective capabilities in order to guarantee European security. After the adoption of the 2016 Global Strategy for the European Union's Foreign and Security Policy, Member States understood this safety requirement, and agreed to give a significant impetus to the European defense and strategic autonomy. This had notably led to the increased financial support of the European Commission to the research and development of capacities through the European Defence Fund, the achievement and the launch of European projects such as the Permanent European Permanent Structured Cooperation (PESCO).

Thus, the course will focus on different aspects of civilian and military capabilities: the assessment of capabilities, the capability development process and its institutional framework, as well as with the European Defense Technological and Industrial Base (EDTIB). This course aims at enhancing a common approach and understanding of the EU's capability development, at providing insights into efforts to develop synergies between civilian and military capabilities, and finally at underlining the role of the European Defense Agency (EDA) and the European Commission on capability development.

This training consists of an eLearning part, as well as the residential session held in Brussels from 18<sup>th</sup> to 20<sup>th</sup> September 2018, both parts being compulsory. The training will be delivered in the working languages of the Common security and defence policy (CSDP), French and English, without translation.

The course is open to civil servants and military from EU Member States and EU institutions. Throughout this course, participants will have the opportunity to benefit from the know-how of experts of European institutions and Members States, as well as to network and share views and perspectives with one another and with professionals in the field of CSDP.

We would like to invite you to nominate participants for this ESDC course which enables them to enhance their knowledge in the field of CSDP and its current challenges.



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### Fact sheet

- ❖ The course is open to civilian and military personnel from EU Member States, EU institutions/agencies. EU Member States, EU institutions and EU relevant agencies are invited to attend with two participants each.
- ❖ Applications are to be filed via the ESDC secure internet system ENLIST (<https://webgate.ec.europa.eu/ENList/web/app.php/login>), by designated nominators, **no later 7<sup>th</sup> September 2018**. Registration will not be final until confirmed by the ESDC Secretariat and upon completion of the registration form by the nominated participant.
- ❖ An eLearning module will be scheduled from **7<sup>th</sup> September 2018**.
- ❖ The language regime of the CSDP will apply, i.e. **the working languages are French and English; no translation will be provided**.
- ❖ Attendance of the course is mandatory each and every day. 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.
- ❖ Further detailed information on the course will be forwarded via e-mail directly to the course participants as soon as the attendance list is complete.