

INVITATION FOR APPLICATIONS

ESDC Course on Recovery and Stabilisation Strategies

27-30 October 2020

Course Description

The course is organised by the **Austrian Study Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution (ASPR)** in collaboration with the **Austrian Federal Ministry of Defence** in the framework of the **European Security and Defence College (ESDC)**. It will take place from 27-30 October in Vienna at the premises of the Austrian Defence Academy.

The course reviews the comprehensive policies of key stakeholder organisations of international peace operations, analyses challenges, shortfalls and best practices in view of long-term stabilisation and recovery processes and provides new inspiration from peer to peer exchanges and networking.

Senior experts will be sharing their experiences in the thematic course modules and be available to debate with the participants.

This year, in view of the anniversary of the UNSCR 1325, the course will have a special focus accordingly and address the related challenges for gender sensitive considerations in recovery processes and highlight the potential of women for contributing to peace and security. Specific case studies and policy considerations will be discussed with senior experts during an entire day of the course.

Graduates of this course will be provided with a comprehensive understanding of various strategies for recovery and stabilisation, extract lessons from selected case studies and available tools and methods for improved approaches to address long-term support to peace processes.

Requirements for Participation

The course targets national and international experts and senior decision makers from EU institutions, EU member or candidate member states, the UN or the OSCE.

Applicants should be working in a senior position (10 years or more relevant experience) and support peace processes at the strategic level be it through policy development, designing of programmes/interventions, planning approaches and/or assess ongoing recovery and stabilisation processes.

In view of the integrated approach to peacebuilding, participants may be members of armed forces (from rank of Colonel and above), police (equivalent senior police officers and above) non-governmental/civilian organisations (senior policy level positions) and political/civilian administration (senior policy level positions) working with or in the context of peace support operations in complex emergencies.

- *For further information on the conditions and cost of participation see the Course Information.*

Application Procedure

Qualified candidates matching the set profile are requested to fill the attached individual **application form** and email it to the ASPR, (esdc@aspr.ac.at) **until 15 August 2020 COB strictly.**

The designated Admission Board will select the course participants from the timely submitted applications while balancing affiliation, professional background, gender, nationality and working contexts in view to keep the intended course quality and standard.

Applicants are thereafter informed about the decision of the Admission Board within two weeks after the set application deadline.

- *For applications please use the Application Form attached*

Attachments:

Annex 1 Course Information
Annex 2 Course Brochure
Annex 3 Application Form