

High Studies for Security and Defence 2020-2021



A training course organised by the **Royal Higher Institute for Defence** with the support of the **Royal Institute for International Relations - Egmont**

A high-level multidisciplinary course in security and defence matters:

- 10 monthly residential seminars of two days, each focussing on a specific issue;
- 10 visits to Belgian institutions active in the field of security and defence.

30 Belgian participants (auditors):

- 12 senior officers or civilians employed by Belgian Defence;
- 18 senior managers or officials whose professional activity has an explicit link with security or defence, working for different public services or international institutions, in civil society, with an economic, industrial, political or academic background, etc.

Programme of the seminars:

Seminar	Dates	Themes
1	11-12/9/2020	Basic principles
2	16-17/10/2020	Key factors and tendencies
3	13-14/11/2020	Instability factors I
4	11-12/12/2020	Instability factors II
5	15-16/1/2021	The European Union
6	26-27/2/2021	Major world poles
7	26-27/3/2021	Crisis zones: (1) Eastern Europe : Russia and its sphere of influence
8	23-24/4/2021	Crisis zones: (2) the Southern neighbourhood and the Middle East
9	28-29/5/2021	Crisis zones: (3) Africa
10	25-26/6/2021	Summary, conclusions and evaluation



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Visits (a possible, non exhaustive list)

The Chancellery of the Prime Minister, the Belgian government's Coordination and Crisis Centre, the Federal Public Service Foreign Affairs, the Defence staff, the Federal Police, Belgium's State Security Service, the Belgian General Intelligence and Security Service, the Federal Parliament, NATO and the European Union ...

The visit dates are fixed at least one month beforehand.



Practical details

Where?

Campus Renaissance (Royal Military Academy),
Rue Hobbema 8, 1000 Brussels.

When?

From September 2020 to June 2021, once per month from Friday 9 a.m. until Saturday 6 p.m.
The auditors are accommodated on-site.

Costs?

950 € (for non-Defence participants).

Selection process

Applications, in the form of a CV and a letter of motivation.

Registration opening: November 2019.

Registration closure: 30 January 2020 at 11.59 p.m.

Selection interviews from December 2019 to February 2020.

Selection by the HSSD steering committee in late April 2020.

Auditors list approval by the minister of Defence in June 2020.

Use of languages

The auditors use their mother tongue (French or Dutch).

The speakers use French, Dutch or English.

A more than passive knowledge of these three languages is therefore essential.

Chatham House Rule

The participants must adhere to the non-attribution policy in order to allow everyone, whether participant or speaker, to express his real views.



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