European Security and Defence College to award honorary fellowships to Javier Solana and to Karl von Wogau

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On the occasion of the fifth anniversary of the European Security and Defence College (ESDC), an Academic session will be held, on 29 September 2010, in the Conference Centre of the Royal Military Academy, Brussels, under the auspices of the Belgian Presidency of the Council of the EU.

In the presence of the Belgian Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of Foreign Affairs Steven Vanackere, honorary fellowships will be awarded to Javier Solana, former EU High Representative for Foreign and Security Policy, and to Karl von Wogau, former Chairperson of the European Parliament's Subcommittee on Security and Defence.

Placed under the auspices of Catherine Ashton, the EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, the ESDC is a network bringing together institutes, colleges, academies and universities dealing with security and defence policy issues. It provides training in the field of the common security and defence policy at the EU level in order to promote a common understanding among civilian and military personnel and to disseminate best practice in this area. From 2005 to 2010, the ESDC has trained some 2,500 individuals from within and outside the EU.

Media advisory:

+/- 16:15 : Photo opportunity before the start of the event and during the Honorary Fellowship ceremony

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