



European Union Military Staff

*An integral element of the EU
comprehensive approach*



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EXTERNAL ACTION

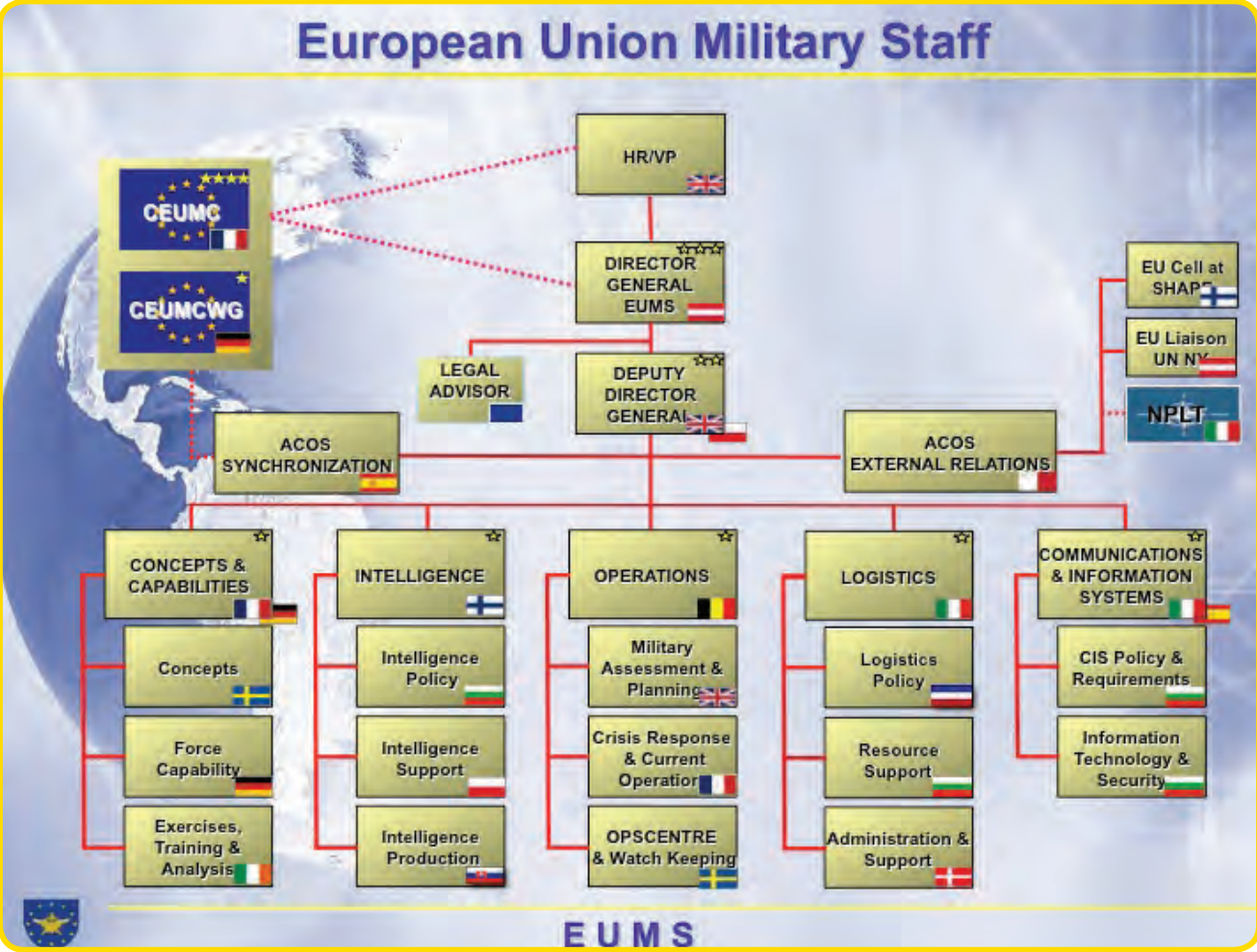


The EU Military Staff (EUMS) - working under the direction of the EU Military Committee and under the authority of the High Representative/Vice President - is the source of collective (multi-disciplinary) military expertise within the European External Action Service (EEAS). As an integral component of the EEAS's Comprehensive Approach, the EUMS coordinates the military instrument, with particular focus on operations/missions (both military and those requiring military support) and the creation of military capability. Enabling activity in support of this output includes: early warning (via the Single Intelligence Analysis Capacity - SIAC), situation assessment, strategic planning, Communications and Information Systems, concept development, training and education, and support of partnerships through military-military relationships. Concurrently, the EUMS is charged with sustaining the EU OPSCEN and providing its core staff when activated



EU Military Staff -
'Providing Military Capabilities to the EU'

EU Military Staff -
'Support our Civilian Colleagues'



Missions/ Operations	Middle East	Middle East & Europe	Asia	Africa
Military		<i>Concordia (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), Mar - Dec 03</i> EUFOR ALTHEA • (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Dec 04 - Nov 14		<i>ARTEMIS (Ituri Province, Congo RDC), Jun - Sep 03</i> <i>EUFOR RD Congo (Congo RDC), Jun - Nov 06</i> <i>EUFOR TCHAD/RCA (Chad-Central African Republic), Jan 08 - Mar 09</i> EUTM Mali (Training Mission Mali), 18 Feb 13 - 18 May 16) EUTM Somalia (Training Mission, Somalia), Apr 10 - Mar 15 EUNAVFOR ATALANTA (Coast of Somalia), Dec 08 - Dec 14 EUFOR RCA (Africa) Mar 14 (to be confirmed) -
Civilian	EUPOL - COPPS (Occupied Palestinian Territory), Jan 06 - 30 Jun 14 EUBAM Rafah (Occupied Palestinian Territory), 25 Nov 05 - 30 Jun 14	<i>EUIJUST LEX-Iraq (Iraq), Mar 05 - 31 Dec 13</i> <i>EUPOL Proxima (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), Dec 03 - Dec 05</i> <i>EUPAT (The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia) followed EUPOL Proxima, Dec 05 - Jun 06</i> <i>EUPM BiH Bosnia and Herzegovina, 1 Jan 03 - 30 Jun 12</i> <i>EUIJUST Themis (Georgia), Jul 04 - Jul 05</i> <i>EUPU Kosovo, Apr 06 - 08</i> EULEX Kosovo , 16 Feb 08 - 14 Jun 14 EUMM Georgia , 1 Oct 08 - 14 Dec 14	<i>AMM (Aceh Province, Indonesia), Sep 05 - Dec 06</i> EUPOL AFGHANISTAN (Afghanistan), 15 Jun 07 - 31 Jan 14	<i>EUPOL Kinshasa (Congo RDC), Apr 05 - Jun 07</i> <i>EU SSR (Guinea-Bissau), Jun 08 - Sep 10</i> <i>AMIS 11 Support, Darfur Province (Sudan), Jul 05 - Dec 07</i> <i>EUAVSEC South Sudan, Sep 12 - 18 Jan 14</i> EUCAP NESTOR , Horn of Africa and the Western Indian Ocean, 1 Aug 12 - 31 Jul 14 EUSEC RD Congo (Congo RDC) , EUMS provides the mission with a Point of Contact for all issues related to the execution of the mandate Jun 05 - 30 Sep 14 EUPOL RD Congo (Congo RDC) , 1 Jul 07 - 30 Sep 14 EUCAP SAHEL Niger , 17 Jul 12 - 16 Jul 14 EUBAM Libya May 13 - 22 May 15

Note: Missions/Operations in **bold** are ongoing
Missions/Operations in *italics* are completed.
Dates refer to the agreed mandates and do not mean that missions/operations will necessarily close on dates indicated.



THE BALKANS

The EU continues to play an important role in defining the future path for the Balkans. EUFOR ALTHEA is one element of this strategy.

EUFOR ALTHEA (Operational Commander - General Sir Richard SHIRREFF, UK. General Sir Adrian BRADSHAW, UK, will be Operational Commander on the 28 March 2014)

Conducts the EU-led Operation in Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH), under the political control and strategic direction of the Council and in line with the mandate; support BiH efforts to maintain a Safe and Secure Environment (SASE); in parallel, conducts capacity building of the Armed Forces of BiH (AFBiH) and contributes to the stability of the state.

HORN OF AFRICA (HoA)

The Strategic Framework for the HoA (November 2011) aims to assert a stronger comprehensive EU voice, and project the effectiveness of EU's policy in the region, through strategic representation of its Missions/Operations, Delegations, policies and programmes. EUNAVFOR Atalanta and EUTM Somalia are part of this EU Comprehensive Approach.

EUNAVFOR ATALANTA (Operational Commander - Rear Admiral Bob TARRANT, UK)

Protection of vessels of the World Food Programme (WFP) delivering food aid to displaced persons in Somalia; protection of vessels of AMISOM; protection of vulnerable vessels off the Somali coast; and the deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast.

EUTM Somalia (Mission Commander - Brigadier General Massimo MINGIARDI, IT)

In order to contribute to the building up and strengthening of the Somali National Armed Forces (SNAF) who are accountable to the Somali National Government and consistent with Somali needs and priorities, EUTM Somalia will provide political and strategic level advice to Somali authorities (Ministry of Defence and General Staff), support and advice on Sector Security Development as well as specific mentoring, advice and capacity building in the training domain.

EUFOR RCA (Operational Commander - Major General Philippe PONTIÈS, FR)

EUFOR RCA is a military bridging operation in the Central African Republic (once deployed) which aims to contribute to the provision of a Safe and Secure Environment (SASE), in accordance with the mandate set out in the UNSCR 2134 (2014) and concentrating its action in the Bangui area.

THE SAHEL REGION

The EU addresses the multifaceted challenges in the Sahel region through its comprehensive Strategy for Security and Development adopted by the Council in March 2011. EUTM Mali constitutes an important element of this EU Strategy.

EUTM Mali (Mission Commander - Brigadier General Bruno GUIBERT, FR. He will be replaced on 1 April 2014)

EUTM Mali will be responsible for providing military advice and training to the Malian Armed Forces, under civilian authority, in order to enable them to restore the country's territorial integrity.





The EU Military Staff and the 'Way Forward'



*Lieutenant General
Wolfgang Wosolsobe (AT),
Director General
of the EUMS*

Looking back on the year 2013 makes me confident that we, the EU Military Staff, as part of the European External Action Service (EEAS), managed to fully play both our advisory and planning roles. As the Director General of the EU Military Staff I am fully aware that achieving excellent results would not be possible without the support of all personnel within the EU Military Staff, both military and civilian. Together we make a 'difference' by continually supporting and delivering expertise to all services. The EU Military Staff continues to work as a team and a team player within the EEAS. From the beginning of my tenure as Director General of the EU Military Staff in May 2013, I was proud to be the Director General of such a 'team' and my first experience entirely confirms my initial impression.

This recent period offered a variety of opportunities where the EU Military Staff was able to deliver a broad range of expertise, including a growing frequency of temporary deployments to support EU-Delegations. It is likely that the working rhythm will accelerate further in the future. This should not distract us from a continuous search for quality, in our support to both the High Representative and the Chairman of the EU Military Committee.



*Rear Admiral
Bruce Williams (UK),
Deputy Director General
of the EUMS. Rear Admiral
Waldemar Gâtuszko (PL)
takes over on the
15 September 2014*

The military instrument's *raison d'être* in the EEAS context has been confirmed and remains as the unique provider of military expertise and analysis, as well as planning capacity. Including Member States' contributions, the military in the EU has developed as an instrument for action of remarkable efficacy. All our operations and missions lived up to expectations and decisively contribute to EU's visibility and leverage in the comprehensive effort to build and sustain stability.

This said, nothing would have been achieved without Member States' efforts and the dedication of all the military personnel they provided. My particular respect goes to commanders of all levels, to their reliability and proficiency. I would also use this message to commend all those who participated in the considerable work to prepare the European Council on Defence and Security.

2014 offers a number of challenges which we have to address. Numerous taskings expressed by the Council will determine the EU Military Staff's work-plan for the coming year and beyond. I would here particularly highlight the need to give more flexibility to our Rapid Response instruments, and to foster synergies and transparency between Member States' capability planning.

We continue to prove our capacity to contribute to the planning and conduct of operations and the strategic exercises MILEX 14 and Multilayer 14. In particular, the operation in the Central African Republic remains high on the agenda, particularly when it comes to transforming the effort in durable results for the country's security.

The EU Military Staff has to further consolidate its role as an important player within the EEAS Comprehensive Approach. I expect an increasing dynamic in supporting and shaping the EEAS' crisis management structures as described in the recent High Representatives EEAS review. In this spirit, the EU Military Staff also supports increased coordination and support to EU Delegations, States and Organisations, including NATO, UN and the African Union, as appropriate. We must continue to prioritise development of politically identified partnerships through military to military actions, promote Capability Development, and contribute to Conflict Prevention.

I am confident that we are up to the task. My first months with the staff have taught me how much I can rely on our personnel's dedication and proficiency. I also fully trust Member States support in the common European interest. Finally, I am certain that the further development of the EEAS will be one of mutual support of all services, where the military can further consolidate their place.

Lt Gen Wolfgang Wosolsobe — Director General — EU Military Staff — March 2014



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