

## **ESDC Basic Course on Security Sector Reform** **30.10-01.11.2024, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova** (click above for invitation)

The National College of Home Affairs (CNAI) organized, from **30 October** to **01 November 2024**, in Chisinau, under the aegis of the European Security and Defence College (ESDC), the course "**ESDC Basic Course on Security Sector Reform**", in partnership with "Stefan cel Mare" Academy from the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Moldova. This event is its fourth edition organized by CNAI and included approaches on the Eastern Partnership of the European Union (EaP).



The opening of the course took place on 30.10.2024, with the participation of Mrs. Daniela Misail-Nichitin, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Moldova, Mr. Police Chief Commissioner Prof. Dinu Ostavciuc, Rector of the „Stefan cel Mare” Academy, Mr. Police Quaestor Assoc. Prof. Cătălin ANDRUȘ, PhD, Director of CNAI and Mr. Laurențiu Giurea, PhD, ESDC Training Manager.

The program of the course covered topics on the main points of SSR, its concept, principles and generic objectives and its role within the EU integrated approach.

Furthermore, the course provided an insight into the EU-level strategic framework on SSR and how SSR support is implemented and



coordinated, both internally and with other relevant actors, to fulfill the EU-level mandate.

The activity had a civilian and military perspective and also aimed to create a network of experts in SSR, allowing participants to use their area of expertise to share views on practice and topics on an integrated EU approach to SSR.



Special guest at the event and keynote speaker was Mr. Prof. Iulian Chifu, PhD, President of the *Conflict Prevention and Early Warning Center Bucharest*.

A high-level presentation was also delivered by Mr. Dr. Raed Arafat, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Interior Affairs, Head of the Department for Emergency Situations, playing a particularly important role in understanding the reform of the emergency and civil protection system as part of the SSR.

The course participants also benefited from the expertise of a personalities, specialists in the field and academics, who gave interactive presentations, at the conference room or by VTC: Mrs. Laria Stoian, *EEAS*, Mr. Kurt Meissner, President of the *Academic Committee of ESDC - SSR configuration*, Gen. (r) Liviu-Mihai Dănilă, PhD, former Head of the *Center for Emergency and Crisis Situations/MFA*, Mr. Răzvan Budeanu, *Frontex*, Prof. Sergiu Vasile, PhD, "*Alexandru Ioan Cuza*" Police Academy,



Mr. Gertjan Boulet, *EUPM*, Mr. Ansii Kartila, Head of *EUBAM - Office in the Republic of Moldova*, col.(r) Alberto Serradilla Fidalgo, Spain Army.

Two panels were dedicated to CSDP missions with a SSR mandate (*EUPM Moldova* and *EUBAM/R. Moldova*), and another panel focused on relevant practical situations in EU missions, which led to changes in their approach.



The program of the course included, on the first day, an *welcome cocktail*, offered by CNAI and, on the second day, an *official dinner*, offered as well by CNAI, with the support of the National College of Home Affairs Foundation and "Stefan cel Mare" Academy.

The course ended on 01.11.2024, with the graduation ceremony and the handover of the certificates, signed by Mr. Josep Borrell Fontelles, EU High Representative for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy, Vice-President of the European Commission.





Cătălin Andruș, PhD, Director of CNAI and Mr. Police Chief Commissioner Dinu Ostavciuc, Rector of the "Stefan cel Mare" Academy”.

The courses organized by CNAI under the aegis of the ESDC are a major component of the European Union (EU) training activities in the field of Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP).

It is the first training event under the aegis of ESDC, organized by Romania through a national institution outside the EU. In this way, CNAI contributes to the CSDP/EU preparation necessary for the EU accession negotiations of the Republic of Moldova.

They were present at the event and addressed a message to the participants: Mrs. Daniela Misail-Nichitin, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Moldova, Mr. Cristian-Leon Țurcanu, Ambassador of Romania to the Republic of Moldova, Ambassador Cosmin Dinescu, Head of the EUPM Mission, Mr. Dr. Raed Arafat, Secretary of State in the Ministry of Interior, Head of the Department for Emergency Situations, Mr. Police Quaestor Assoc. Prof.



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