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PEACE SUPPORT OPERATIONS TRAINING CENTRE*

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INVITATION FOR
“Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT)” Course 2024
22 - 26 Apr 2024 at MPSOTC Greece

1. Background

To serve Peace Support Operations (PSOs) training tasks and requirements, MPSOTC conducts several Courses per year for personnel categories that include troops, staff officers, observers / monitors, civil servants, policemen and civilians. One of our courses is the “**Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT)**” Course. The Course scheduled to be conducted from **22nd to 26th of April 2024** in residential format in collaboration with **Meducation**, an International Medical and Training Institute for Emergency Prehospital Care.

The maximum number of slots at the course is **20**, however, the international students cannot exceed **15**. **The course will be conducted if the number of participants is 14 and above**. Available slots will not be exceeding **2 per interesting nation**, but to encourage the largest possible international participation, each nation may bid for reserve slots. The closing date for bids is **Monday, 01 April 2024**.

2. Course Specification

a. Accreditation

The “Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT)” Course is based on the ENTRi curriculum.

b. Purpose and Aim

The purpose of the Course is to improve participants’ awareness of the multiple threats that are present in hostile field environments. In advance the aim is to train them on the ways and means of dealing with the dangers in an effective manner, in order to increase their survivability.

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c. Objectives

Students will receive a 1-week Course (including theory, syndicate work and practical exercise) through orientated lectures in English language on the following topics:

- Personal security awareness.
- Communications.
- Navigation & Orientation.
- Medical skills.
- Mobile security, explosives & roadblocks.
- Hostage and kidnap survival.

d. Student Criteria

To be eligible to attend the “Hostile Environment Awareness Training - HEAT” Course nominees must fulfill the following criteria:

- Military and Police Personnel / with a general military or police background experience from national or international duties.
- Civilians and employees coming from Private Sector, NGOs, GOs public services Sector and other levels of government i.e. Ministries of Foreign Affairs, Defense, Environment, Culture and Internal Affairs as well, from EU Member States.
- Language proficiency: Non-native English-speaking Students must have the following proficiency standards in English, described in STANAG 6001: Listening Good (3), Speaking Fair (2), Reading Good (3) and Writing Fair (2) or to be native English speakers.
- For nonmilitary personnel, same language proficiency is needed, according to the relevant international standards for language competence.
- We aim to achieve a gender balance, so applications from female participants are encouraged.

e. Security Clearance

The Course will be conducted at **UNCLASSIFIED** level. Security clearance is **not** required.

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f. Course Duration

From 22 to 26 April 2024 (08:00 – 14:45 daily).

g. Course Fees

Full Course tuition fees cost is **1.700 euros** per person (**accommodation and meals are not included**). Once a candidate is nominated for participation, the Course fees must be paid in full **NLT 12 Apr 24**, via bank transfer. **In the bank form, please fill in the remarks field with the participant's name. Any additional wire transfer fees are borne by the sender.** MPSOTC must receive the full amount of the tuition fees, thus the participant should select the option at the bank transfer to be **on the sender** and **not shared**. After the payment is received, the invoice will be forwarded to the participant's e-mail. The remittances are due to the following account:

Bank Name: BANK OF GREECE.

Account Number IBAN: GR 68010 1121 0000 0023 2255 2264

Swift (BIC) Code: BN GR GRAA

Account Name: P.K.E.E.Y.E. (MPSOTC in Greek).

Course fee includes:

- Transportation from/to "MAKEDONIA" airport in Thessaloniki (SKG) to/from the town of Kilkis, on arrival or departure days.
- Daily shuttle service from/to Kilkis hotels.
- Course material, group photo.
- Mini catering during breaks with several coffee/drinks and finger food.
- Farewell dinner.

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At the end of the Course every participant will receive:

- Pocket guide with guidelines and procedures.
- Every Day Carry - EDC (medical and survival kit).
- ID Card and Handbag.
- HEAT Velcro-ON patch.
- Notebook and Pen.
- T-Shirt / or Hat.
- HEAT Certification.
- BLS/AED (ERC) Certification.
- Stop the Bleed (ACS) Certification.
- Meducation/C-TECC First Responder with Duty to Act Certification.

h. Finance and Subsidies.

- Salaries and allowances for participants remain under responsibility of the sending party, in accordance with the relevant national regulations.
- **Travel costs, hotel accommodation and daily meals will be a student's responsibility.**
- MPSOTC maintains a special agreement with selected local hotels in Kilkis. Special discounts apply, by stating that you are a student in MPSOTC.
- MPSOTC maintains a special cooperation with some local restaurants, which offer discounted prices for your meal/ dinner. Special discounts apply, by stating that you are a student in MPSOTC.

i. Currency and Banking

Currency in Greece is EURO (€). Banking system and the majority of shops/restaurants normally accept most of the international credit cards. Please be aware that in Kilkis there is no Currency Exchange Office. You can find Currency Exchange Offices at the airport of Thessaloniki.

j. Medical Emergencies

Students will receive during the Course all necessary treatment, in case of medical emergency, through the provided military medical support. Please be aware that prescription drugs expenses are student's responsibility.

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k. Dress Code

Students will have to carry up smart casual (civilians) during training, and opening / closing ceremonies. For social events smart casual is required. Casual civilian clothes for everyday occasions.

3. Student Allocation Procedure

a. Student Joining Report – Application Form

Student's Joining Report – Application Form should be sent to MPSOTC **not later than 01 April 2024**. MPSOTC reserves the right to accept requests received later than that date if slots are available.

It is important that the invitation itself reaches the student in time since it contains useful information. MPSOTC will be able to provide a read ahead package with useful material before the Course starts, such as joining report, Course curriculum, etc. Further information will be sent only to the students who have been selected.

b. VISA Application (Non-EU Citizens)

All guests coming from abroad will be required to have a valid passport, in accordance with border control measures.

VISA is a mandatory issue. Please be advised by your local authorities if VISA is required for traveling to Greece, before you start planning your trip.

VISA arrangement procedures are a students' responsibility.

c. Arrival and Departure Timings

MPSOTC will provide transportation to and from the airport "MAKEDONIA" Airport (SKG) in Thessaloniki with scheduled shuttle buses. Please notify in advance about your flight details and your accommodation.

Once in Kilkis, the students are going to be picked up, daily at 07.30 a.m. from their hotels, during the entire duration of the Course. Students are not expected to leave MPSOTC **before 15:00 pm, on 26th of April**, depending on their flights. Any activities in Greece after this time are considered as individual and will be on student's expenses.

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d. Application Process

The application form can be downloaded from the Internet at: <https://mpsotc.army.gr/en/downloads/> . The application should be sent:

- Through e-mail to MPSOTC (mpsotc@hndgs.mil.gr).

or

- Through the respective Hellenic Defense Attaché to the Hellenic National Defense General Staff - HNDGS/Training Directorate (tel +30 210 657 4038, +30 210 657 4130). The respective Greek Defense Attachés are kindly requested to forward the applications to MPSOTC as well.

All timely received application forms will be processed and the student will be informed about the request through an official answer for his/her participation or not. **Copies of student's passports or IDs (EU citizens) are required for participation approval.**

e. POC for Administration and Other questions

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