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## **NOTE**

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2014-2016

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Delegations will find herewith the revised draft European Union Programme of Exercises and Exercise and Exercises Related Activities 2014 - 2016.

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**EUROPEAN UNION PROGRAMME OF EXERCISES AND  
EXERCISE-RELATED ACTIVITIES  
2014-2016**

**General Principles**

- The focus of the EU exercise and exercises-related activities set-out in this programme is CSDP, in accordance with the EU Exercise Policy;
- All exercise documentation needed for the exercise at STARTEX will be developed by the Exercise Planning Team;
- Member States support in the form of cost-free SNEs will be systematically sought to support the planning of CME and/or ML-type exercises;
- Exercises may be postponed or cancelled in the light of real-life requirements that might take precedent.

**2014 Option 1 (to be agreed )**

Date	Exercise	Scenario	Aim/Remarks
MAY JUN  (TBC)	Military Exercise  MILEX 14 <sup>1</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise will focus on the military planning process for the deployment of a EU military force.</li> <li>❑ The exercise focuses on the interaction between an EU OHQ and an EU FHQ.</li> <li>❑ The exercise involves the EU OHQ provided by France, the EU FHQ provided by Sweden, the EUMS, and in an appropriate manner, other services from the European External Action Service<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>❑ MILEX 14 will exercise the Comprehensive Approach within relevant EU bodies concerning crisis management.</li> </ul>
SEP OCT  (TBC)	ML 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise concentrates on how the EU manages crises with civilian and military instruments, including their co-ordination within the EU, with a view to exercising the comprehensive approach.</li> <li>❑ ML14 will entail the exercising of different layers of EU Crisis Management, from the political and strategic level to the operational level.<sup>3</sup></li> <li>❑ ML14 focuses on EU crisis response and management which would include operational planning for a CSDP civilian mission and military operation.</li> <li>❑ ML14 evaluates EU Crisis Management Procedures for CSDP action.</li> <li>❑ The exercise involves the High Representative, the European External Action Service, Member States (capitals and delegations), the relevant Council instances, Commission, the EU OHQ provided by Italy and an EU FHQ provided by Belgium, and other EU players as appropriate.</li> </ul>

**Programme meetings**

Annual exercise experts meetings will be called as appropriate in the first semester of the year.

<sup>1</sup> France will lead the planning of MILEX 14 (this includes all organisational aspects of planning meetings -IPM, MPM and FPM). EUMS will support and guide the process as appropriate.

<sup>2</sup> The participation of other services from the European External Action Service is subject to the timely and adequate secondment of experts from Member States to these services.

<sup>3</sup> ML 14 will be limited on the civilian side where the civilian component will not exercise the development of the OPLAN.

**2014 Option 2 (to be agreed )**

Date	Exercise	Scenario	Aim/Remarks
OCT NOV  (TBC)	CME 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise concentrates on how the EU manages crises with civilian and military instruments, including their co-ordination within the EU, with a view to exercise the comprehensive approach.</li> <li>❑ CME14 focuses on EU crisis response and management which would include operational planning for a CSDP civilian mission and military operation.</li> <li>❑ The exercise evaluates EU Crisis Management Procedures for CSDP action.</li> <li>❑ The exercise involves the High Representative, the European External Action Service, Member States (capitals and delegations), the relevant Council instances, Commission, the EU OHQ provided by France and an EU FHQ response cell, and other EU players as appropriate.</li> <li>❑ CME14 to be extended by MILEX 14.</li> </ul>
OCT NOV  (TBC)	Military Exercise  MILEX 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❑ The exercise will focus on the military planning process for the deployment of a EU military force.</li> <li>❑ The exercise focuses on the interaction between an EU OHQ and an EU FHQ.</li> <li>❑ The exercise involves the EU OHQ provided by Italy, the EU FHQ<sup>4</sup>, the EUMS, and in an appropriate manner, other services from the European External Action Service<sup>5</sup>.</li> <li>❑ MILEX 14 will exercise the Comprehensive Approach within relevant EU bodies concerning crisis management.</li> <li>❑ MILEX 14 subsequent to CME 14.</li> </ul>

**Programme meetings**

Annual exercise experts meetings will be called as appropriate in the first semester of the year.

<sup>4</sup> To be defined.

<sup>5</sup> The participation of other services from the European External Action Service is subject to the timely and adequate secondment of experts from Member States to these services.

**2015** (tentatively agreed)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Exercise</b>	<b>Scenario</b>	<b>Aim/Remarks</b>
FEB- MAR  (TBC)	Joint CME / CMX 15	<input type="checkbox"/> The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment.	<input type="checkbox"/> Internal EU aspects of the exercise will concentrate on Comprehensive Approach, how the EU actively exercises the use of civilian and military instruments, including their co-ordination, within the EU. <input type="checkbox"/> EU and NATO aspects focus on the interaction between EU and NATO on the politico-military level. <input type="checkbox"/> Joint EU/NATO exercises are politico-military exercises based on a scenario for an EU-led operation with recourse to NATO assets and capabilities (Berlin Plus). <input type="checkbox"/> The exercise involves the European External Action Service, Member States (capitals and delegation), the relevant Council instances, the Commission and other EU players as appropriate, as well as relevant NATO politico military instances and possibly a NATO provided OHQ.
Second semester  (TBC)	MILEX 15	<input type="checkbox"/> The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment.	<input type="checkbox"/> The exercise will focus on the military planning process for the deployment of a EU military force. <input type="checkbox"/> The exercise focuses on the interaction between an EU OHQ and an EU FHQ <sup>6</sup> . <input type="checkbox"/> The exercise involves the EU OHQ, the EU FHQ, the EUMS, and, in an appropriate manner, other services of the European External Action Service <sup>7</sup> . <input type="checkbox"/> MILEX 15 will exercise the Comprehensive Approach within relevant EU bodies concerning crisis management.

**Programme meetings**

Annual exercise experts meetings will be called as appropriate in the first semester of the year.

<sup>6</sup> Greece has offered to provide the OHQ and the FHQ for this exercise.

<sup>7</sup> The participation of other services from the European External Action Service is subject to the timely and adequate secondment of experts from Member States to these services.

**2016** (envisaged)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Exercise</b>	<b>Scenario</b>	<b>Aim/Remarks</b>
Second semester  (TBC)	MILEX 16	TBD	TBD

**Programme meetings**

Annual exercise experts meetings will be called as appropriate in the first semester of the year.

**INFORMATION ON MILITARY EXERCISES CONDUCTED BY MEMBER STATES BASED ON SCENARIOS RELATED TO  
POTENTIAL EU-LED CRISIS MANAGEMENT OPERATIONS<sup>8</sup>**

**- TO BE UPDATED -**

<b>NO</b>	<b>MS</b>	<b>EXERCISE/LOCATION</b>	<b>GENERAL DESCRIPTION</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>PARTICIPANTS</b>
1	AT	European Response / AT	EU-Battlegroup Exercise (INVITEX/CPX)	09 – 19 Dec14	tbd
2	AT	European Guardian / AT	C-IED MNT Exercise (INVITEX/LIVEX)	2014 tbd	Open to MNT trained IEDD operators only
3	AT	European Advance / AT	EU-Battlegroup Exercise (INVITEX/LIVEX)	17 Nov – 05 Dec15	open to EUBG 16-2
4	AT	European Guardian / AT	C-IED MNT Exercise (INVITEX/LIVEX)	2015 tbd	Open to MNT trained IEDD operators only
5	AT	European Response / AT	EU-Battlegroup Exercise (INVITEX/CPX)	2016 tbd	tbd
6	AT	European Guardian / AT	C-IED MNT Exercise (INVITEX/LIVEX)	2016 tbd	Open to MNT trained IEDD operators only
7	BE	ACTIVE LION/ ELSENBORN (BE)	EUBG 14-2 (CPX)	Jan 2014	MdeBde (200 Pax)

<sup>8</sup> The information contained in this table is based on inputs provided by Member States.

NO	MS	EXERCISE/LOCATION	GENERAL DESCRIPTION	TIME	PARTICIPANTS
8	BE	Combined Arms Trg/ GRAFENWOHR (DE)	EUBG 14-2 (LFX)	Feb-Mar 2014	MdeBde (1400 Pax)
9	BE	QUICK LION/ BE	EUBG 14-2 (FTX)	Jun 2014	MdeBde (2000 Pax)
10	BE	LEAD EUBG 14/II	Standby	Aug-Dec 2014	
11	BE	Name not defined/ HRADISTE (CZ)	EUBG 14-2 (LFX)	Nov 2014	MdeBde (1200 Pax)
12	BE	TRIDENT JUNCTURE/ ES+PT	NRF (Fct Trg)	Oct-Nov 2015	1200 Pax
13	DE	JOINT AIR WARFARE TACTICAL EXERCISE (JAWTEX) / Northern Germany	Joint and combined tactical LIVEX to train the integration of air, land and maritime assets to operate in joint airspace and a joint and combined battlefield environment.	12.05. – 23.05.2014	EU MS, NATO MS, other DE Partner Nations on invitation
14	DE	NORTHERN COASTS (NOCO) / FIN and Baltic Sea	Maritime LIVEX to train operations especially in confined and shallow waters	Sep 2014	EU MS, NATO MS, other DE Partner Nations on invitation
15	DE	NORTHERN COASTS (NOCO) / Northern Germany	Joint and combined LIVEX to train operations dealing with joint aspects of installation and property protection, cooperation with Special Forces and Command from the sea.	Sep 2015	EU MS, NATO MS, other DE Partner Nations on invitation



NO	MS	EXERCISE/LOCATION	GENERAL DESCRIPTION	TIME	PARTICIPANTS
16	DE	EU BG II/2016 LIVEX / Germany	LIVEX to train the formations of EU BG II/2016	Apr / May 2016 (TBD)	Formations of EU MS participating in EU BG II/2016
17	DE	JOINT AIR WARFARE TACTICAL EXERCISE (JAWTEX) / Northern Germany	Joint and combined tactical LIVEX to train the integration of air, land and maritime assets to operate in joint airspace and a joint and combined battlefield environment.	May / Jun 2016 (TBD)	EU MS, NATO MS, other DE Partner Nations on invitation
18	DE	EUROPEAN ENDEAVOUR / Germany	Joint and combined CPX to certify the EU BG II/2016 package.	May / Jun 2016	HQs of EU BG II/2016 formations
19	DE	NORTHERN COASTS (NOCO) / TBD	Maritime LIVEX to train operations especially in confined and shallow waters.	September 2016 (TBD)	EU MS, NATO MS, other DE Partner Nations on invitation
20	FR	EU BG planning exercise (CPX) OCELOT	The exercise will draw on a new scenario, in the ANEQ geographical environment The exercise focuses on the interaction between SOPG and JOPG. The aim of OCELOT is to prepare the FHQ for 2015-2 (FR-BE) EU Battlegroup.	Mar-Apr 2015 (TBC)	The exercise involves the FHQ provided by France within the EU Battlegroup (2015-2 : FR-BE), the Belgian augmentees and the preferred FR EU-OHQ (as HICON).
21	SE	VIKING 14	CPF/ LFX/ CRO	31.3.-12.4. 2014	Civ + Mil

**INFORMATION ON MAJOR CRISIS MANAGEMENT EXERCISES PLANNED BY THE COMMISSION OR AN EU AGENCY  
(PERIOD: JULY 2013 - DECEMBER 2016)**

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