# **EUROPEAN EXTERNAL ACTION SERVICE**



Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability - CPCC Director / Civilian Operations Commander

Brussels, 29 May 2018 EEAS/CPCC/2018/UK/2965687

#### To all Representatives to PSC

Subject: Call for Contributions for reinforcing the CPCC during the conduct of ML-PACE 18

References:

- A) Parallel and Coordinated Exercise Concept (PACE) concept between NATO and the EU, noted by PSC (document 5916/17 dated 9 February 2017).
- B) Exercise Policy of the European Union under the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP) (document 8909/14, dated 11 Apr 2014)
- C) Guidelines for the Scheduling and Implementation of EU Exercises (document 18048/1/13 REVI, dated 1 Apr 2014)
- D) Exercise Program of the European Union under the CFSP, 2017-2021 (document 12375/17, dated 20 September 2017);

## Dear Ambassador,

On 6<sup>th</sup> December 2016 the Council approved the Common Set of Proposals for the Implementation of the EU-NATO Joint Declaration of 8 July 2016, which stipulates inter alia, that the parties should step up their "coordination on exercises, including on hybrid, by developing as the first step parallel and coordinated exercises for 2017 and 2018".

Within this framework, the Multilayer Parallel and Coordinated EU led Exercise 2018 (EU ML-PACE 18) is planned to be conducted from 05 to 23 November 2018.

The exercise aims to improve and enhance the EU ability to respond to a complex crisis of a hybrid nature with an internal and an external dimension, as well as to improve cooperation with NATO in accordance with the PACE concept. It will consist of an event-driven crisis response exercise focusing on hybrid threats, and a CSDP planning exercise at

several levels (political, politico-strategic, strategic and operational).

To allow for the effective preparation and conduct of the civilian part of the ML-PACE 18 exercise, and in view of limited resources, the CPCC is seeking temporary additional support from Member States.

For the exercise, the CPCC is seeking two police / Rule of Law planners, ideally CEPOL or ESDC trained, assigned on a no-cost basis by Member States and working under the functional authority of the Civilian Operations Commander for the conduct of and post exercise reporting on ML-PACE 18.

The short-term experts assigned to CPCC would need to be present in Brussels throughout from 8 October 2018 to 7 December 2018, with a specific focus on the conduct phase (05 - 23 November 2018).

I kindly invite EU Member States to put forward qualified candidates for the positions as listed in Annex 1.

- a) EU Member States are invited to examine the personal profiles and job descriptions to ensure that:
  - Proposed candidates meet the listed criteria described in specific job descriptions (Annex 1).
  - Each candidate completes the standard job application form in English (Annex 2). Applications will be considered only when using this form.
- b) Proposed candidates should satisfy in full the criteria set out in the job descriptions.
- e) I would appreciate it if EU Member States would submit offers of personnel at their earliest convenience, but not later than 15/06/2018 at 17:00 hours (Brussels time), to the following e-mail address:

## cpcc.coordination@eeas.europa.eu

- d) Interviews will take place in the beginning of July 2018.
- e) The Civilian Planning and Conduct Capability (CPCC) will be responsible for notifying EU Member States of the outcome of the selection process. Communication of the selection results is expected to take place by 16 July 2018.
- f) Selected personnel should be ready for deployment to Brussels on 8 October 2018.

#### **General Information**

a) Only personnel nominations received through official channels from EU Member States will be considered. EU Member States will bear all personnel-related costs for seconded

personnel, including salaries, medical coverage, travel expenses to and from Brussels as indicated. The CPCC will provide office space and equipment for the time the reinforcements are present in Brussels. Otherwise no costs are borne by the CPCC.

- b) The EU strives for improved gender balance in CPCC in compliance with UNSCR 1325. EU Member States are encouraged to take this into account when offering contributions.
- c) The selected candidates will have to be in possession of the necessary level of Personnel Security Clearance (PSC) EU secret or equivalent, when deployed. The seconded personnel should bring the original certificate upon deployment.
- d) Any further information required relating to the selection and deployment of EU staff may be obtained from CPCC by contacting:

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Yours sincerely

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### **Enclosures:**

- Requirements and Job Descriptions (Annex 1)
- Standard Application Form (Annex 2)