Conference on Regional Security Dynamics in the Western Balkans

Session 3 – Regionalization of security and defense policies, comparing Nordic with Balkan experiences

Perspective from Peace Support Operations Training Centre (PSOTC), Sarajevo, BiH

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Scope

NORDEFCO as a model for regional security cooperation

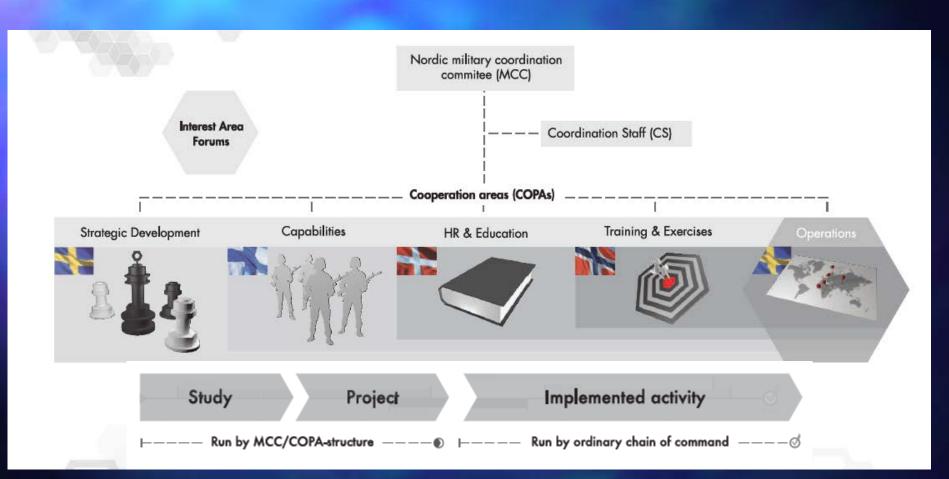
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Possible way ahead

Disscussion

NORDEFCO as a model for regional security cooperation



Cooperation Areas (COPAS)



COPA Strategic Development

- Common approach in strategic analysis and future capability gaps
- 2. Study on Afghanistan
- Analysis of existing research and technology cooperation
- 4. Technology forecast cooperation
- Activities suitable for research and technology (R&T) cooperation
- Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) courses
- Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Handbook
- 8. Exchange of Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Officers
- 9. Development of national NATO/COPD



COPA Capabilities

- l. Air Surveillance
- Intelligence, Surveillance and Reconnaissance (ISR)
- Land surveillance
- 4. Information infrastructure
- 5. Long Range Precision Engagement (LRPE)
- 6. Battalion Task Force 2020 (BNTF 2020)
- Ground Based Air Defence (GBAD)
- Countering Improvised Explosive Devices (CIED)
- 9. Future Mine Counter Measures (MCM)
- 10. Joint Logistic Support System (JCLS)

COPAS (Cont.)



COPA Human Resources and Education

- Gender-Centre
- Veteran Issues
- Advanced Distributed Learning (ADL)
- 4. Foreign Language Issues
- Technical Educations
- 6. Vocational Educations
- Working Group Peace Support Operations (PSO)
- 8. Flag Officers' Course

COPA Training & Exercises

- l. Project TACEVAL Air
- 2. Project Naval Mine Counter Measures
- (NMCM)
- Project Lessons Learned
- 5. Project Surface to Air Live Firing
- Project Combined Joint Nordic Exercise Programme (CJNEP)
- 7. Study Naval Navigation
- Study Naval Diving Study Cross Border Training – SOUTH

COPA Operations

- 1. Working Group Operations
- Working Group Logistics
- 3. Working Group Movement and Transportation

Procurement - One of core businesses



An overview of PSOTC as an interantional project

The PSOTC is:



- A multinational project (18 Partners, led by UK)
- A PfP Training and Education Centre since 2007
- Regional Training and Education Centre since 2009
- Certificate of Training in United Nations PSO (COTIPSO)



Mission

PSOTC as a Centre of Excellence in the PSO area is to support the professional development of AF BiH and operate as a PfP and Regional Training and Education Centre in order to support BiH's contribution to international peace and security.

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Tasks

- 1. Deliver internationally and nationally approved education and training to members of the AF BiH as well as other states' armed forces in order to make them capable of participating in multinational Peace Support Operations (PSO).
- 2. Develop appropriate activities in enhancing
 international and regional cooperation placing particular focus on wider security matters and enabling AF BiH to be a net contributor to international security.

3. Enhance the AF BiH operational and interoperable capabilities drawing from international and national lessons learned.

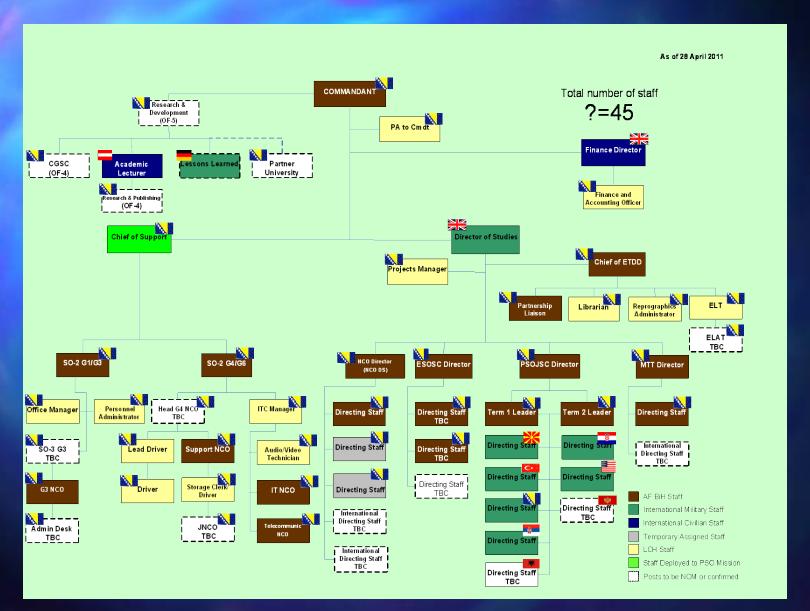
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The role of PSOTC in regional dimension

- Burden-sharing, avoidance of duplication
- Regional MTT
- Regional Training Centre within SEEC Regional
 Training and Education Centres (RTEC) Working
 Group

PSOTC Organizational Chart









Training and Education





Categories of training

- Residential Staff Courses
- Mobile Training Team training
- "Wider security" activities





Training credentials

- NATO Selected Courses:
 - International Staff Officers Skills Course (ISOSC)
 - Counterinsurgency Course (COIN)
 - PSO Staff NCO Course (PSOSNCOC)
- Certificate of Training in United Nations PSO (COTIPSO):
 - Peace Support Operations Junior Staff Course (PSOJSC)
 - International Staff Officers Skills Course (ISOSC)
 - International PSO Junior Staff Course (IPSOJSC)
 - International PSO Staff Officers Course (IPSOSOC)
 - PSO Junior NCO Course (PSOJNCOC)
 - PSO Staff NCO Course (PSOSNCOC)
 - Euro-Atlantic Security Course (EASC)
 - International Tactical Influence Activity Course (ITIAC)
 - Counterinsurgency Course (COIN) UNCLASSIFIED
 - Media in PSO Course (MPSOC)

Officers and NCO's trained in PSO



Mobile Training Team (MTT) Activities



- AFBiH Collective Training (Bde HQs)
- Regional AF Training















Regional Training Centre within SEEC – Regional

Training and Education Centres (RTEC) Working Group

Regional Training and Education Centres (RTEC) Working Group

- Most of the countries in the Balkan region have centers or institutions focused in PSO related training
- Limited common knowledge of what national centers offer
- The requirement was identified in 2009 and on 8th October 2009 the Regional Policy Directors endorsed the establishment of a Coordination Cell and a Regional PSO-Training related Centers Working Group

REGIONAL TRAINING AND EDUCATION CENTRES WORKING GROUP (RTEC WG)

Regional Training and **Education Centres Commandants Conference** (RTEC CC) April/May

Cmdts briefs and seeks national approval

> SO bringing national and additional inputs

All inputs based on Minutes from CC

Training and Education Staff Officers Meeting (TESOM)

(PSOTC) Secretariat briefs Chairperson

September

PARTICIPATION:

Regional TC Commandants

- + other appointed TC Staff
- + PSOTC Secretariat

HN MOD appoints Chairperson

PARTICIPATION:

TC Staff Officers

(PSOTC) Secretariat

RTC WG Outcomes RPDD on Çhairperson briefs

TASKS / PURPOSE:

Discuss inputs from the last RPDD meeting.

Propose and discuss training and education opportunities iot give inputs for instructors (SME) exchange, programme offers for regional participation, and other regional activities

TASKS / PURPOSE:

Finalise and coordinate all regional training and education activities, including the regional Catalogue

Regional Policy Defence **Directors**

PARTICIPATION:

Appointed Chairperson From last RTEC CC

October + RPDD

TASKS / PURPOSE:

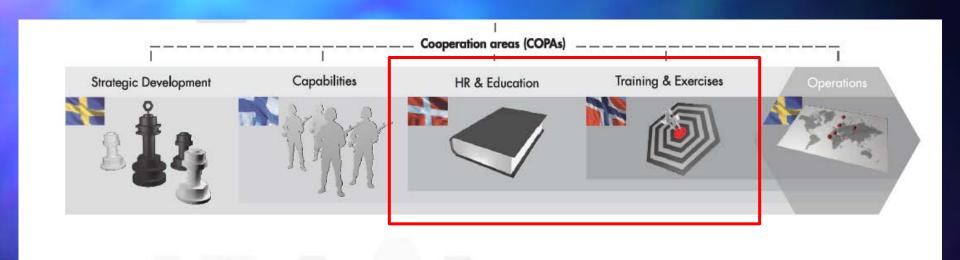
Chairman briefs RPDD about Regional training and education activities RPDD gives inputs for the

next CC, and designate the HN

Regional Training and Education Centres (RTEC) Working Group

- BIH MOD will host the first WG (Training and Education Centres Commandants Meeting) in Sarajevo, 29 – 30 November 2011
- Aim of the WG:
 - Memorandum of Agreement
 - Training and Education Activities in 2012 (Catalogue)
 - Regional Instructors' and Students' Exchange

A possible way ahead



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- RTEC Working Group Synchronization and synergy of PSO E&T
- Identify niche training capabilities
- PSOTC E&T of staff personnel for PSO

In order to support combined Western Balkans contingent

Discussion