



CENTRE FOR SECURITY COOPERATION

English Arms Control Terminology Course

- Dates** 9th – 20th March 2009
- Venue** RACVIAC, Rakitje, Stari hrast 53, 10437 Bestovje, Croatia
- Background** From the very beginning of RACVIAC establishment there was a need of a common language that would bring together people from the SEE region to exchange views, discuss military, political and other issues. Based on this, it was in 2001 that regional countries recommended to RACVIAC to organize a special orientated English language course, which would deal with the vocabulary from the Arms Control Treaties. Since then, RACVIAC has been regularly organizing English Arms Control Terminology Courses. In this way, RACVIAC has been assisting the states of the region in increasing their English conversational capabilities.
- Purpose & Objectives** The purpose of this course is to upgrade English conversational capabilities and to increase common understanding of the Arms Control Treaties by increasing the knowledge of the wording. The course is mainly meant for civilians and officers dealing with Arms Control in the SEE region.
- The objectives of the Course are:
- To refresh the knowledge of English grammar;
 - To build and enlarge the vocabulary of the Terminology of Arms Control Treaties;
 - To share specific knowledge and expertise in the field of Arms Control and CSBMs;
 - To initiate conversation on Arms Control Treaties and topics related to the military life and global organizations cooperating with the military;
 - To enhance regional co-operation by fostering comprehensive dialogue on all security issues.
- Participants** Three representatives, each from one of the RACVIAC's member states from the SEE region and other RACVIAC's member states out of the SEE region are welcome to participate, only if there will be sufficient space. It is design for either military and / or civilian personnel, members of Verification Agencies dealing with Arms control and other CSBMs measures. Required knowledge of English language for this course is at least intermediate level (e.g. STANAG 2221). Lecturers (5) are invited from Bosnia & Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia and the United Kingdom (JACIG).
- Methodology** The course will mainly be conversation-orientated. Nevertheless, it shall also contain reading, listening and limited writing practices. The participants will be divided into two / three separate groups due to their results at the initial Grammar / Vocabulary test, which will be conducted on the first day of the Course. There will be 1 lesson of English grammar, followed by 6 lessons of conversation, reading and listening skills on related topics (VD 99, Dayton IV, CFE and some general military topics about work of related international organizations - as OSCE, UN, NGO's) per day. There will also be organized a practical part of the course at the last day. The participants will be engaged in the execution of an inspection. During this practical part they will be able to practice the learned terminology and theory in the "real life" situations.
- A verification of acquired knowledge will be conducted, and adequate certificate will be issued.
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