Overview

Workshop on Military Base Conversion and Transition of Military Personnel -
Project “Defence Conversion Modalities in SEE – Specific Regional Model”

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Background After more than 20 workshops over the past six years on Transition of Military Personnel (TMP) and Military Base Conversion (MBC), as announced during the last workshop on MBC held in Cerklje (Slovenia), 06-08 December 2010, it was inevitable to finalise this phase of dealing with defence conversion matters and to produce a handbook reflecting the status of MBC and TMP aspects of defence in SEE countries – within the Project “Defence Conversion Modalities in SEE – Specific Regional Model”. Six SEE countries (AL, BA, HR, MD, MK and RS) nominated their Project Areas’ group members who have already completed their work on TMP and MBC questionnaires. Upon receiving their individually compiled papers, this workshop will bring the Project Areas’ group members together to finalise the project in terms of producing the draft paper planned to be published by the end of the year.

Purpose & Objectives

The purpose of this workshop is to bring together nominated Project Area 1 and Project Area 2 members from AL, BA, HR, MD, MK and RS to discuss the previously completed questionnaires on Military Base Conversion and Transition of Military Personnel and to draw up the respective draft document on Defence Conversion Modalities in SEE, later to be published.

Participants

Number of participants (estimated): Project Area 1 & 2 members and interested guests, max. 20.
As per Annex E, eleven (11) members of Project Area 1 (Transition of Military Personnel) and members of Project Area 2 (Military Base Conversion) already nominated in January/February 2011 from: AL, BA, HR, MD, MK and RS. Representatives of international organisations interested in regional defence conversion processes and others are most welcome.

Methodology

Based on the discussion of already prepared Questionnaires for Project Area 1 and Project Area 2, Project Area members will prepare the draft project document on Defence Conversion Modalities in SEE, to be published subsequently.

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