



Concept Note: NATO Stability Policing role in Human Security conference Vicenza (ITA), 19-22 June 2023

1. Introduction

NATO is committed to safeguarding the freedom and security of its members and continuously adapting to the changing security challenges. In this regard, in 2016, during the Warsaw Summit, NATO endorsed its policy of Protection of Civilians and the Human Security Approach was emphasized in the 2022 Strategic Concept during the Madrid Summit in June 2022.

Human Security is conceptualized as a multi-sectoral approach to security that identifies and addresses widespread and cross-cutting challenges to the survival of livelihood and dignity of people. NATO's human security work currently focuses on six areas where the Alliance can be most effective: Protection of Civilians; preventing and responding to Conflict-Related Sexual Violence, Combating Trafficking in Human Beings, Children in Armed Conflict and Cultural Property Protection (CPP), plus building integrity.

All these areas and the overarching Human Security require a policing dimension a remit codified within the Alliance as Stability Policing with two missions, the reinforcement, and the temporary replacement of Indigenous Police Forces.

The NATO Stability Policing Centre of Excellence, NATO's hub of expertise, innovation and transformation in this subject matter is inspired by NATO Human Security Approach and seeks to further study the topic seeking related relevant implications and suggestions to make and keep the Alliance fit for purpose in a 360° approach.

2. The event

The event is to be held in a dual format, in first instance a high-level conference in-presence and streamed online on the 20th of June 2023 at the Confindustria (Palazzo Thiene Bonin Longare) in Vicenza (Italy); here high-profile speakers will address a group of SME's of subject areas relevant to Human Security.

The second part will be hosted between the 21st and 22nd of June 2023 at the Chinotto Barracks still in Vicenza, in a workshop with syndicates format. Five syndicates will be formed, one per each area¹, and all participants will rotate within the syndicates and analyse how Stability Policing can

¹ With the exception of CPP, since the role of NATO Stability Policing in CPP was the subject matter of the Centre's 2021 Annual Conference



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address each of the cross-cutting topics in benefit of the Alliance's goals. Identified results of each syndicate should be presented to the NATO Stability Policing Centre of Excellence Command Group on the 22nd of June 2023.

3. Aim

The event seeks to increase the knowledge and delve in depth into the relation between Stability Policing and Human Security in general and the relevant Cross-Cutting Topics in particular, in order to obtain actionable insights to improve the contribution Stability Policing assets can provide to NATO operations, missions and NAC approved activities in these fields. The focus of the analysis will be terminology, standardization, interoperability and conceptual as well as doctrinal shortfalls, gaps, implications and strongpoints, seeking to eliminate or at least mitigate negative factors and boosting positive ones.

4. Practicalities

The event will take place in Vicenza, Italy, between the 19th to 22nd of June 2023. Administrative instructions as well as details on the registration and the attendance will follow in due time.

5. Point of Contact

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