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20TH EUROPEAN SECURITY COURSE

8
weeks

Course Director



Ms Miriam Fugfugosh

Ms Fugfugosh has developed and directed security policy courses at the GCSP for the last ten years. Currently, she directs the European Security Course, the Gender and Security Cluster and the skills enhancement package for political advisors. She has a background in international policy studies, grassroots development, and education.

GCSP

The Geneva Centre for Security Policy is an international foundation with 48 member states from across the globe that provides forward-thinking and innovative solutions for leaders and policymakers concerned with international affairs and security in today's complex, globalised world.

Examining Global Security Challenges Relative to Europe

This course (formerly ETC) examines European security within a regional and global context thus better assessing the inter-connectedness of transnational threats and responses. The course deepens participants' understanding of the security policy challenges relative to Europe, and has done so for two decades.

➔ Key benefits for you

The course provides an in-depth overview of European security issues framed in the broader international security context.

The course objectives are:

- to provide you with a comprehensive and analytical overview of global security trends relative to Europe;
- to develop your understanding of how Europe interfaces with the world on security issues;
- to enhance your relevant skill sets to be effective security policy practitioners; and
- to promote mutual understanding and generate a community of security policy professionals.

"I have found the GCSP to be a unique meeting place of speakers' and participants' diverse expertise. We build knowledge by challenging our own perspectives and developing a more comprehensive, global view of European security."

— Ms Marion Kipiani, Austria





Why you should attend

The course examines the global security landscape, the current trends and challenges in both hard and soft security, the European Union's interests and impact, regional security architecture relative to Europe (EU, NATO and OSCE), as well as key state actors. The course also analyses Europe's interaction and impact on its neighbours and other regions in the world. Relevant transnational challenges such as migration, terrorism and energy security among others are also explored.

Course focus

- The global security landscape: current trends and challenges
- The European Union: interests, impact, power
- European security architecture institutions and member states
- Security in wider Europe
- Europe in the world: Middle East, North Africa, Sub-Saharan Africa, Asia
- Leadership in decision making
- Skills enhancement modules including leadership, negotiation, conflict and political analysis

Course design

The course provides a unique learning opportunity in an international and multidisciplinary setting. Course participants, practitioners and academics come together to create innovative solutions to contemporary security policy challenges.

The course is highly interactive and employs numerous teaching methodologies including top-down lectures, participant-led sessions, simulations and skills enhancement. Participant-led modules on national security policies, current events, reading analysis and policy research require the practical application of knowledge and tools the course provides.

Community building among the participants, the GCSP staff and the visiting experts is emphasised throughout.

Participant Profile

Open to mid-career professionals working in national ministries and international organisations, as well as non-governmental organisations, civil society groups and the private sector.

Candidates must have had exposure to peace and security issues. Serving officers must have completed an advanced military staff course.

In the heart of "International Geneva"

Hosting over 35 international organisations, more than 250 non-governmental organisations, 252 diplomatic missions, representations and delegations, Geneva represents one of the world's richest networks in international affairs.

Faculty profiles

The course teaching staff includes GCSP's own international team composed of academics and practitioners with broad experience in security policy, diplomacy and/or military affairs, as well as high-level guest speakers (government officials, military officers, representatives from international institutions and civil society, academics and researchers).

An average of sixty speakers lead sessions during the two-month course.

Alumni community

Since 1997, the course has trained over 470 individuals from more than 75 countries from all around the world.

Upon completion of the course, you will become part of the expanding GCSP alumni network of over 4500 professionals and enjoy continued access to our events. Security policy conferences enable current and past participants to meet, debate policy issues and share ideas and experiences in an informal setting.

Admission

For further details about the course and the application process, please contact:

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Application deadline:
2 November 2015

Tuition fees:

The ESC is offered free of tuition charges to public sector and NGO participants as part of Switzerland's contribution to the Partnership for Peace Programme. For other participants please contact GCSP for cost enquiries.

Language requirements:

Participants must be proficient in both spoken and written English, the course's working language.

Venue:

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