



XXII EDITION REACT COURSE



Rapid Expert Assistance and Co-operation Teams for Conflict Prevention, Crisis Management and Post-Conflict Rehabilitation

REACT

Certified by:

International University Centre for Peace
Missions (IUCPM), Helsinki España

Recognized by:

Guardia Civil, Spanish Ministry of Interior

Escuela de Organización Industrial (EOI),
Ministry of Industry, Energy and Tourism of
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GENERAL INFORMATION

The REACT course is a **six-week training programme on international peace operations** intended for professionals interested in improving their knowledge of conflict prevention, crisis management and post-conflict rehabilitation, as well as to develop practical skills for their work in the field.

AIM OF THE COURSE	The course is aimed at preparing international experts for their deployment in peace operations led by international organizations including the United Nations (UN), the Organization for the Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the European Union (EU) and other regional organizations.
DATES	May 3 –June 9, 2017 Six-week programme which includes 220 hours of training
LOCATION	The course takes place in Madrid, at the premises of the <i>Escuela de Organización Industrial (EOI)</i> , which is located at Av. de Gregorio del Amo 6, Madrid. The last week of the course takes place in Logroño, in Northern Spain, at the Special Training Centre of the <i>Guardia Civil</i> .
SCHEDULE	Monday to Friday: 8.30am – 6.00pm Saturdays: 9.30am – 2.00pm
REQUIREMENTS	-Candidates must have a university degree -Candidates must be fluent in English as all lectures are given in English
STUDENTS PER COURSE	25 students
FEES	€ 4,950 which includes a € 350 registration fee Scholarships available
HOW TO APPLY	Applications are accepted on a rolling basis. If you are interested in participating in this course, please fill out the registration form and send it to helsinkicursos@humandimension.com The registration form can be downloaded from www.helsinkiespana.org The application deadline is March 14, 2017.



COURSE SPECIFICS

OBJECTIVES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To review and analyse the main threats to international peace and security; contexts in which conflicts arise; key actors; and their impact on civilians. - To explore the mechanisms of international organizations for the prevention, management and resolution of conflicts as well as for the protection of civilians. - To strengthen the capacity and confidence of participants to cope with and work in hostile environments.
TEACHING STAFF	<p>The teaching staff are trainers and experts from international organizations, including the UN, OSCE and NATO; diplomats and civil servants; military personnel; police officers; experts from the ICRC and humanitarian NGOs; independent consultants; and university professors.</p>
METHODOLOGY	<p>The course uses a variety of methodologies, including lectures and presentations, debates, group work, practical and advanced role-playing sessions, outdoor activities and simulation exercises.</p>
HEAT COURSE	<p>As part of the REACT course, students will benefit from the program <i>Hostile Environment Awareness Training (HEAT)</i>. An intensive 40-hour course that aims at training professionals to effectively deal with multiple threats present in hostile field environments.</p> <p>HEAT is expected to improve participants' understanding of the behavioural field requirements while working as a team member of an international field operation irrespective of their national or professional background.</p> <p>This training programme is certified by <i>ENTRi</i> (Europe's New training Initiative for Civilian Crisis Management) and conducted by the <i>Guardia Civil</i> at its Centre for Special Training in Logroño.</p>
DIPLOMA	<p>Participants who successfully complete the course will obtain a diploma from Helsinki España in cooperation with the <i>Escuela de Organización Industrial (EOI)</i>.</p> <p>Participants will also obtain a <i>Hostile Environment Awareness Training Certificate</i> from the Guardia Civil.</p>

COURSE FEE: € 4,950

This covers:

- ✓ Registration fee
- ✓ Reading material
- ✓ Field visits and transportation
- ✓ *Hostile Environment Awareness Training*, HEAT program
- ✓ Transportation and accommodation in Logroño
- ✓ Exam and diploma fee

NOT covered:

- × Accommodation and meals in Madrid.
- × Meals in Logroño.
- × Travel costs other than the ones related to the field trips.

Registration fee: € 350

This fee should be paid once the student is accepted and confirms his/her availability to participate in the course. Registration fee is non-refundable.

CONTENTS

MODULE I – KEY CONCEPTS

- Conflict analysis
- Conflict prevention
- Conflict management
- Conflict resolution
- Post-conflict reconstruction



MODULE II - INTERNATIONAL LAW

- Public International Law: basic concepts
- International Human Rights Law
- International Humanitarian Law
- International Criminal Law
- International Refugee Law
- Protection of civilians in armed conflict
- Gender in Operations. Women, Peace and Security
- Children and Armed Conflict

MODULE III - CURRENT CONFLICTS AND THREATS TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE

- *Asia*: Afghanistan and North Korea.
- *Middle East*: Israel-Palestine, Iraq, Syria and Yemen.
- *Sub-Saharan Africa*: Burundi, Centro African Republic, Democratic Republic of Congo, Mali, Sudan and South Sudan
- *Maghreb*: Libya and Western Sahara
- *Eastern Europe and Caucasus*: Ukraine and Kosovo
- *Latin America and the Caribbean*: Colombia and Haiti
- Terrorism and violent extremism, human trafficking, and forced displacement

MODULE IV – KEY ACTORS AND THEIR CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL PEACE

- United Nations: Security Council, peacekeeping operations and political missions
- European Union (EU)
- Organization for the Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)
- African Union (AU)
- League of Arab States (LAS)
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO)
- The role of Civil Society



MODULE V – TOOLS FOR SUSTAINABLE PEACE

- Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration (DDR)
- Security Sector Reform (SSR)
- Accountability and transitional justice
- Rule of Law and democracy
- Electoral assistance

MODULE VI – SKILLS AND COMPETENCIES

- Awareness of threats and risks. Personal security
- Safety and security procedures for vehicle movement
- Management of threats related to gatherings, protests, demonstrations and riots
- Kidnapping, hostage taking and hostage survival
- Weapons, mines, improvised explosive devices and unexploded ordnances
- Protection of classified and sensitive information
- First aid
- Orientation and communication
- 4x4 off road driving
- Working with interpreters
- Stress management
- Negotiation and multicultural communication



RECRUITMENT INTERVIEWS

Interested students may sign up for a face-to-face interview with a recruitment agent from the United Nations Volunteer Programme (UNV) during the course.

INTERSHIPS at NATO

Helsinki España has entered into an agreement with NATO for which students with a legal background have the opportunity to do a 6-month unpaid internship at NATO headquarters in Brussels.



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