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**15<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference of the  
Conflict Studies Working Group  
of the  
Partnership for Peace Consortium  
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**“ The Warrior’s Ethos,  
the National Psyche and Soldierly “**

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# CALL FOR PAPERS

Nations can be defined in many ways, but their military models tell a lot about their true nature. During the American Revolution, Baron Von Steuben, who trained the Continental Army, discovered that unlike their Prussians counterparts, American soldiers only obeyed orders if they understood why they were given.

How does a nation turn a civilian into a warrior? What are the parts of culture, heritage, history and collective memory in the building of the warrior's ethos? How do they impact military leadership and morale? Is there a constructed military psyche? And, from another angle, how does the warrior's ethos influence society and civilian leadership in times of war and peace?

This 15<sup>th</sup> conference of the Euro-Atlantic Conflict Studies Working Group will examine closely the relations between the building of the warrior's ethos, the national psyche and soldiery throughout history.

Sub-themes may include the following and other connected topics:

- The consequence of recent conflicts on military perception
- Relying on memory : interpreting the past in military training and education
- The transmission, exchange and use of tactics, techniques and procedures among nations
- The impact of military culture on society
- Post-war transformation of leadership
- Mass armies doctrine – the origins, developments, and termination
- Occupying powers and their influence on the military of post-occupied nations
- Between myth and reality; creating heroes and traitors
- Emblematic battles across time, where national psyche is revealed
- The impact of the national morale on politics and diplomacy in preventing war

All those interested are encouraged to participate – both as presenters and as auditors. The conference will be held at the Athens War Museum ([www.warmuseum.gr](http://www.warmuseum.gr)) in English language. The deadline for conference paper proposals (to be submitted on the attached form) is February 8, 2015. Please note that the form should include an abstract of the proposed paper (up to 500 words in English), and please attach also a short biography of the author. The conference program will be made available in March 2014. The proposals/additional information should be sent at dr Efraxia Paschalidou: [efpraxia2001@yahoo.com](mailto:efpraxia2001@yahoo.com) and [cswg2015@gmail.com](mailto:cswg2015@gmail.com). The conference volume is planned to be published. The deadline to submit a final version of your paper is by March 27, 2015.