



Fact Sheet 2023

ICPSO – Introductory Course Peace Support Operations CHE.2851.14



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Within the context of the Partnership for Peace programme PfP, the Swiss Armed Forces International Command SWISSINT presents an Introduction Course for Peace Support Operations (ICPSO).

You will receive essential tools and learn crucial skills during a 10 day period to prepare you for the challenges of international field deployment or just to learn more about the international context of PSO. Our guest speakers and military team of expert specialised trainers will guide you through this comprehensive and challenging course. They will coach and assist you to hone key skills to be able to successfully tackle difficult situations in uncertain environments.

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On completion of the course you will:

- Have a better understanding of the international PSO-environment, the main players and institutions, and of foreign and domestic security policies.
- Be effective in assessing and recognising safety and security threats and challenges.
- Be confident and competent to make critical and appropriate decisions in stressful situations.
- Be able to effectively and competently communicate (and negotiate) in various situations using appropriate strategies and techniques.
- Be proficient in map-reading, navigating and the use of radio and GPS.
- Be capable of applying basic first aid techniques and carrying out emergency life support.



Additional Information / details

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Nickname ICPSO

Type Course

Target Audience / Level

The course is designed for military personnel (OR4 – OF3), police officers and civilian personnel of governmental organisations who wish to develop key skills and competencies for future field deployment in Peace Support Operations.

Duration / Date

2 weeks (9 days) / weekend off
MONDAY 16 OCTOBER – FRIDAY 27 OCTOBER 2023

Location

CH-6370 STANS-OBERDORF, Switzerland.

Language Requirements

Participants must have the following standards of proficiency in English (as described in STANAG 6001): **3332**.

- Listening (Professional / 3) ▪ Speaking (Professional / 3)
- Reading (Professional / 3) ▪ Writing (Functional / 2)

No translation will be provided.

Costs

The course is free of charge; this includes accommodation and meals during the course. There is no payment "per diem".
Travel to/from Switzerland cost is to be paid by sending Nation.
Pick up/drop off at Zurich airport will be provided at designated times.
Other internal travel in Switzerland is the responsibility of each participant.

Restrictions

Course is open to NATO/PfP, MD, ICI and Contact States.

Course participation is limited to 32; as far as possible 2 slots per nation *maximum* will be accepted.

Registration deadline: not later than 5 weeks prior to course begin.

Allocation will be on a "first come - first serve" basis.

Liability

The Swiss Armed Forces do not cover health care expenses.
All participants are individually responsible for arranging or securing adequate insurance (accident, liability and health) or must confirm a Governmental guarantee to cover any health care expenses whilst in Switzerland.

Additional Course Information

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