Fact Sheet 2020

HEAT-
Hostile Environment Awareness Training

The Swiss Armed Forces International Command SWISSINT presents to the Swiss Federal department of Foreign Affairs and its partners a training course designed to cover the most important basic security issues.

This course is run as a stand-alone training module for civilians working in a peacebuilding environment only.

As a certified EU Civilian Crisis Management Course our HEAT (Hostile Environment Awareness Training) boasts five days of varied but complimentary security and safety related topics to prepare you for the challenges of international field deployment. Our military expert team of specialised trainers will be on hand to coach and assist you to hone key skills that will allow you to successfully tackle difficult situations in uncertain environments.

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On completion of the course you will:

- Be effective in assessing and recognising safety and security threats and challenges (incl. mine awareness, hostage situations, team under fire and other personal security issues);

- Be confident and competent to make critical and appropriate decisions in stressful situations;

- Be comfortable in map-reading, navigation and the use of radio and GPS;

- Have experienced difficult all-terrain driving and been shown how to change tyres & use a car-winch as well as carry out a thorough daily vehicle check;

- Be capable of applying basic first aid techniques and carrying out emergency life support.

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### Method of instruction
The HEAT is a balanced mix of classroom lessons and practical work. All topics taught during the course will be covered and tested (in terms of self-evaluation) during a field exercise on the last day.

### Target Audience
The course is designed for staff members of the Swiss Federal Department of Foreign Affairs, its partners and any civilian personnel of other organisations (national or international) who wish to develop key skills and competencies for future field deployment.

### Duration / Date
- **HEAT 1:** 11 May to 15 May 2020
- **HEAT 2:** 09 November to 13 November 2020

### Location
CH-6370 STANS-OBERDORF, Switzerland.

### Language Requirements
The course is to be held in English only and therefore participants must have the following standards of language proficiency:
- Listening (Professional / 3), Speaking (Professional / 3), Reading (Functional / 2), Writing (Functional / 2)
- No translation will be provided.

### Costs
- **No admittance by participants.**
  - This course includes training, accommodation and all meals.
  - Travel costs to/from Switzerland shall be paid by either the sending nation / organisation or by the participant.
  - Pick up/drop off at ZURICH airport will be provided at designated times.
  - Other internal travel and/or accommodation in Switzerland is the responsibility of each participant.

### Restrictions
Course participation is limited to 24 participants.

### Registration
Please send your application to the Training Centre SWISSINT.

*Registration deadline is 5 weeks prior the course.*

### 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.
- Participants without a valid driver's licence (valid international drivers licence for non-schengen participants mandatory) will not be allowed to take part in the practical driver’s education.
- For VISA-issues, please visit the following website: [http://www.bfm.admin.ch/bfm/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html](http://www.bfm.admin.ch/bfm/en/home/themen/einreise/visumantragsformular.html)

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