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TRAINING CENTRE SWISS ARMED FORCES INTERNATIONAL COMMAND

COURSE GUIDE 2016



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INTRODUCTION COMMANDANT TRAINING CENTRE SWISSINT



As commander of the Training Centre Swiss International Command (TC SWISSINT) I am in charge of the pre-deployment training for all Swiss military personnel sent abroad in the context of Peace Support Operations (PSO). Together with my staff we are committed to providing high quality courses that meet both national and international standards. Throughout the year we offer a number of national and international courses specially designed to prepare individuals and contingents for deployment to crisis areas. Our priority is to assist our course-participants to develop a safety and security-first attitude in all aspects of their work in whatever new and challenging environments they may encounter.

Dependent on the type of course, our programmes follow the training guidelines of the United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations (UNDPKO); NATO Training Group TEPSO (Training and Education in Peace Support Operations) or ENTRi (Europe's New Training Initiative for Civilian Crises Management).

TC SWISSINT is a recognized UN, NATO Partnership Training Centre. We strive towards developing closer relations with partner nations and other countries and we warmly invite applicants from all over the world to participate in our open courses. This brochure offers an overview of our activities and of our facilities. We hope that you will find it of interest and that we are able to welcome you soon in Stans.

Colonel (GS) Markus Schmid
Commandant Training Centre SWISSINT

MISSION & TASK

The Mission

The mission of the Training Centre SWISSINT is to educate and train all those military and civilian personnel, who want to engage in peace support operations and humanitarian aid.

The Task

The task is to prepare each course participant for deployment on a professional, ethical and moral level.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR ALL COURSES

Target audience/level

Each course is designed for military personnel (OR4 to OF4), police officers, personnel of GOs and NGOs and other civilians, who wish to develop key skills and competencies for future field deployment.

Language requirements

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

- Listening (professional/3)
- Reading (professional/3)
- Speaking (professional/3)
- Writing (functional /2)

No translation will be provided.

Restrictions

International courses are open to NATO/PfP, MD, ICI and Contact States. Course participation is limited to 24; usually a maximum of 2 slots are allocated per nation.

Infrastructure

- 1 Accommodation & cafeteria
- 2 Twin-bedded room with TV/Internet
- 3 Course & administration building
- 4 Gym
- 5 Cafeteria
- 6 E-Learning room
- 7 Class room
- 8 Lecture hall







SUNMOC

Course 1

CHE.2702.19

Swiss United
Nation's Military
Observer Course

This course is
UNDPKO certified

International

Aim of the course

Over 23 days you will be educated and trained by a specialized team with following goals:

- Be familiar with the organisation, structure, and role of the UN in relation to peace keeping operations.
- Be familiar with the roles and functions of UN (mandated) Forces/UN Police/IO GO/NGO.

On completion of the course you will

- Be competent to perform duties demanded by the role of an UN military expert on mission.
- Be able to recognise and deal competently and safely with various personal security challenges.
- Be able to effectively and competently communicate in various situations using appropriate strategies and techniques.
- Interact competently and appropriately with the media in all situations.



ICPSO

Course 2

CHE.2851.7

Introductory Course

Peace Support Operations

International

Introductory Course

Peace Support Operations

National

Within the context of the Partnership for Peace programme (PfP), TC SWISSINT presents the 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. Our expert training team 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.

On completion of the course you will

- 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 negotiate and communicate in various situations using appropriate strategies and techniques.
- Be knowledgeable about key aspects of UN, NATO and EU in PSO.
- Be capable of applying basic first aid techniques and carrying out emergency life support.



HEAT

Course 3

Hostile

Environment

Awareness

Training

This course is

ENTRi certified

International

TC SWISSINT presents a pre-deployment course specifically designed for civilian representatives of international, governmental and non-governmental aid and development organisations. For those intended for deployment in a humanitarian, peace-building or peace support role this is a training event not to miss.

The HEAT covers the most important basic safety and security issues during a 5-day intensive programme. Our expert training team will be on hand to coach and assist you to increase your knowledge and hone key skills so to be able to successfully tackle difficult situations in uncertain environments.

On completion of the course you will

- Be effective in assessing and recognising safety and security threats and challenges (incl. mine awareness, personal security issues and weapons handling).
- Be proficient in map-reading (using the globally known UTM-System), navigating and the use of radio and GPS.
- Have experienced difficult all-terrain driving and been shown how to change a wheel, use a car-winch for self-rescue and how to carry out daily vehicle check.
- Be capable of applying basic first aid techniques and carrying out emergency life support.



KFOR SWISSCOY/EUFOR LOT

Course 4
Peace
Support
Operations

National

The SWISSCOY/LOT training course prepares participants for deployment on peace support operations with the KFOR/SWISSCOY in Kosovo or the EUFOR/LOT in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The course, which complies with both the current national regulations and the requirements of Switzerland's international military partners, is structured in a one to four week preparatory course, five weeks of basic training in peace support, and a final two to three week technical instruction session.

The course teaches the technical skills needed for the participants to fulfil their tasks in various missions. The physically challenging training consolidates the participants' military knowledge and is geared to meeting the requirements of peace support operations. At the beginning of the course, the participants receive and familiarise themselves with the equipment they need for their training. Information is given on the historical background, geographic and cultural peculiarities of the country of assignment and put into practice in exercises during the course. This provides the course participants with the skills to correctly assess and thus minimise risks in their country of deployment.

After completing the course, participants will

- Qualify for SWISSCOY or LOT deployments of at least six months.
- Have completed driving training for at least Kat 920 (according to assignment).
- Have completed the basic training on how to operate assault rifles and/or guns (according to assignment).
- Be in possession of the Basic Life Support I certificate.

This course is only open to Swiss citizens.



BST

Course 5

Basic Security Training

National

This course is run as a refresher training event.

The BST boasts five days of varied but complimentary security and safety related topics to prepare you for the challenges of international field deployment.

On completion of the course you will

- 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 negotiate and communicate in various situations using appropriate strategies and techniques.
- Be proficient in map-reading, navigating and the use of radio and GPS.
- Have experienced all-terrain driving and been shown how to change tyres as well as using a car-winch.
- Be capable of applying basic first aid techniques and carrying out emergency life support.

This course is only open to Swiss citizens.



BWT

Course 6 Basic Weapons Training

National

The BWT course prepares participants in weapons handling for their deployment on peace support operations with the KFOR/SWISSCOY in Kosovo or the EUFOR/LOT in Bosnia and Herzegovina. The course complies with both the current national guidelines and the requirements of the international military partners.

The aim of the BWT course is to acquire and improve the technical skills needed for handling the RSG 2000, guns, and/or assault rifles and includes the ROE (Rules of Engagement) valid for the Balkans.

The course can be attended as individual session or as supplementary week to the two-week Introductory Course to Peace Support Operations (ICPSO) or the one-week Basic Security Training (BST).

After completing the course, participants will be

- Familiar with the Rules of Engagement.
- Able to correctly use their personal weapons and/or the RSG according to the situation and in compliance with the ROE.

This course is only open to Swiss citizens who have completed basic military training with their personal weapons.



DRIVING TRAINING FOR CATEGORIES C1/D1

Course 7 National

After successfully completing the deployment preparation course for unarmed military observers (SUNMOC = Swiss United Nations Military Observer Course), Swiss officers are trained in a special driving course for civilian categories C1/D1.

The two-week driving course for the categories C1/D1 includes both theoretical and practical schooling.

Prior to the course, participants must study the topics on their own. During the course, they will be trained by civilian driving instructors and tested by military experts.

On completing the course, you will

- Have acquired the basic knowledge needed by a driver in the relevant category.
- Be able to drive the vehicle safely in traffic, in the field, in manoeuvres and under all conditions.
- Pass the theoretical and practical driving test for categories C1/D1.
- Be familiar with armoured vehicles (introduction to armoured vehicles of the Mercedes G-class).

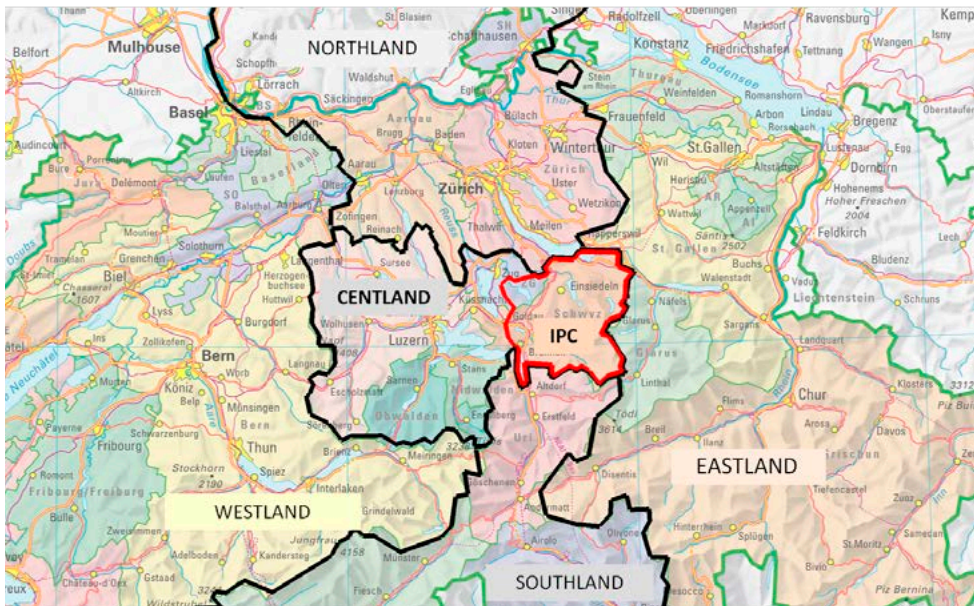
This course is only open to Swiss citizens.



EXERCISE SCENARIO CENTLAND

SWISSINT training takes place under near real life operational conditions. As such, participants operate in the fictitious country of Centland. The Centland scenario outlines a simulated but possible political, military and humanitarian situation based on a history of ethnic, religious and cultural instability and confrontation.

The Centland scenario covers both UN and NATO PfP courses. The simulated field challenges provide the setting to consolidate theoretical with practical skill development.





COURSE DATES

International

SUNMOC

19 June to 8 July 2016

ICPSO

18 April to 29 April 2016

HEAT

23 May to 27 May 2016

National

SUNMOC Preparation

6 June to 17 June 2016

ICPSO

24 October to 4 November 2016

BST

25 January to 29 January 2016

9 May to 13 May 2016

25 July to 29 July 2016

7 November to 11 November 2016

C1

25 January to 5 February 2016

11 July to 22 July 2016

19 September to 30 September 2016

21 November to 2 December 2016

BWT

1 February to 5 February 2016

17 May to 20 May 2016

2 August to 5 August 2016

14 November to 18 November 2016

KFOR SWISSCOY/EUFOR LOT

18 January/15 February to 14 April 2016

18 July/15 August to 13 October 2016

The course guide with the dates for 2017 will be published on our homepage in summer 2016.





4-PCE

4-PCE is a common exercise for prospective UN military observers. The training centres of the Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and Austria conduct this exercise together in the area southeast of the Lake of Constance. The aim of the exercise is to simulate a peace mission for the prospective MILOB (Military Observer).

The exercise scenario is set along real borders, to give the multinational participants an opportunity to consolidate their knowledge, which they have learned through out the last weeks. All participants are evaluated and coached by experienced instructors from the four participating training centres. The Netherlands, Germany, Switzerland and Austria work closely together to ensure that the future UN Military Observers are fit for deployment.

www.4pce.org





PARTNERSHIP FOR PEACE (PfP)

Due to the broad spectrum of issues, Partnership for Peace activities go beyond the responsibility of a single Department. Two Federal Departments are mainly involved: the Department of Foreign Affairs (DFA) and the Department of Defence, Civil Protection and Sports (DDPS).

In order to coordinate Swiss policy, two bodies were established in which all actors dealing with Partnership for Peace issues are represented. One is responsible for formulating the strategic guidelines for Swiss policy, the other one for implementing and supervising the affairs on a day-to-day basis.

The DFA's main concerns include areas requiring civil expertise such as the strengthening of international humanitarian law, small arms issues, the democratic control of security structures and efforts to combat terrorism. The DDPS on the other hand focuses mainly on improving the armed forces' capability for military cooperation with other partner states, and making Switzerland's military expertise available to others.





CERTIFICATIONS



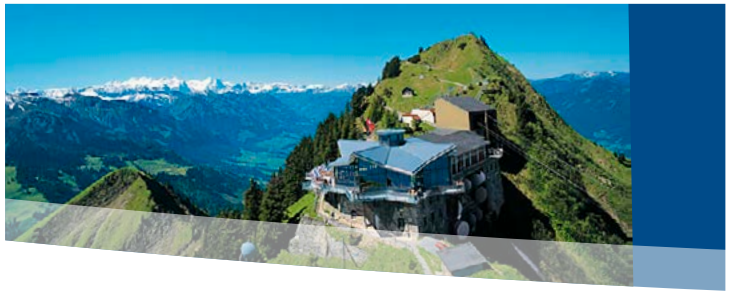
The United Nations awards certification only to training providers which fully reach the exacting standards set by the UN Department of Peace Keeping Operations (DPKO). SWISSINT was first recognised with this award for the Swiss United Nations Military Observer Course (SUNMOC) in 2008 and has retained this status to date.



Partnership for Peace (PfP) is a programme of practical bilateral cooperation between individual Euro-Atlantic partner countries and NATO. SWISSINT is a recognised Partnership for Peace (PfP) official training provider.



SWISSINT was the first training provider in Switzerland officially certified by Europe's New Training Initiative for Civilian Crises Management (ENTRI). ENTRi's main focus lies on the preparation and training of civilians who will be deployed in crisis management missions worldwide.



WELFARE

▲ *Stanserhorn*

▼ *Historic city of Lucerne*

As a host nation we would like to give our international participants the opportunity to enjoy working and learning in our beautiful country. Stans is ideally located between the well known ski resort of Engelberg and the historic city of Lucerne. Both are accessible by public transport and are no more than a 30 minute drive away.

Whether you are interested in outdoor activities or sightseeing and shopping, we are more than capable to offer both. Although SWISSINT does not organise welfare activities for every course, we do encourage visiting our sights and trying the Swiss cuisine. Going out together not only offers cultural insights but adds to a friendly course atmosphere.





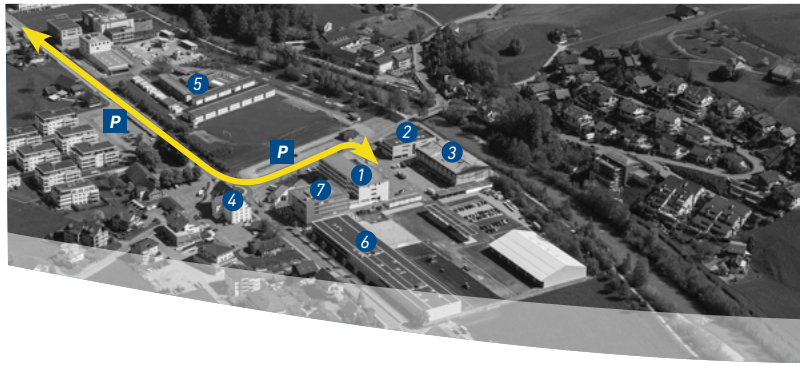
- ▲ Ski resort Engelberg
- ▶ Boat on the Lake of Lucerne
- ▼ Train going up to the mountain Rigi



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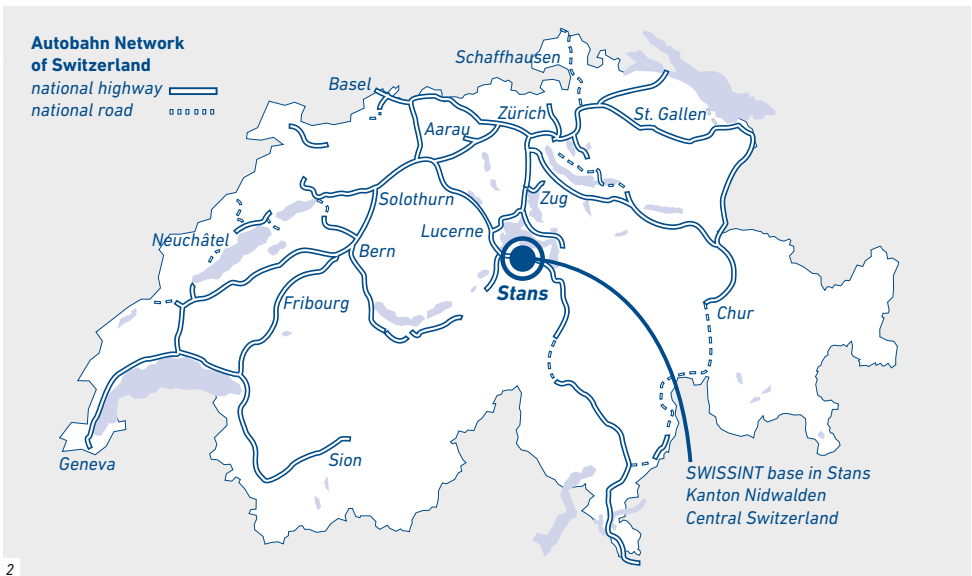
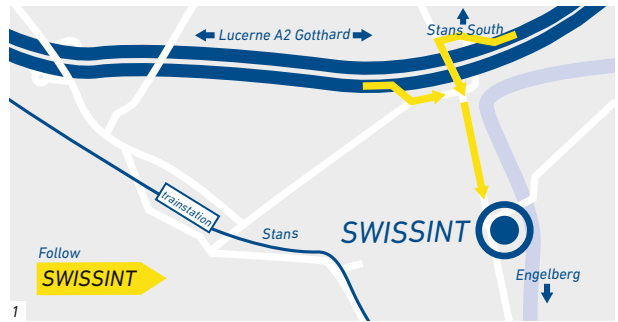


- 1 Barracks
- 2 Teaching building
- 3 Utility building
- 4 Arsenal
- 5 Camp SWISSINT
- 6 Cmd SWISSINT
- 7 Accommodation building



▲ Approach to the SWISSINT base in Stans-Oberdorf

HOW TO FIND THE TRAINING CENTRE SWISSINT



- 1 Approach Stans-Oberdorf via national highway A2, E35. Upon leaving the highway please follow the yellow SWISSINT signs
- 2 Approach the SWISSINT base in central Switzerland via various national highways

HOW TO APPLY & CONTACT

For further information on our courses, you are welcome to contact us. We will be happy to help you if you have any questions. We look forward to your application, the registration form is online available. **Registration deadline: not later than 5 weeks prior to course begin.** Allocation will be on a “first come - first serve” basis.

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All information provided in this course guide, is also available online.

«The Training Centre SWISSINT is in charge of the pre-deployment training for all Swiss military personnel abroad in the context of peace support operations. Furthermore it offers various international peace support courses. We are pleased to welcome you to one of those.»

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