



SHADE MED 2023

ROME, 6 - 7 DECEMBER

At the Italian Secretariat General of Defense and National
Armaments Directorate

Guidoni Building

AGENDA

MANAGING COMMON CHALLENGES TOGETHER IN THE MEDITERRANEAN¹

¹The working language will be English for all the sessions of the conference. (Detailed instructions will be here given with regards to the translation service, if any)

DAY 1 – Wednesday, 6th December

14:15 - 14:45	In-processing
14:45 - 15:00	General Information Briefing
15:00 – 15:40	<p><u>Joint Welcome Address</u> Presenter: Flavia GIACOBBE, Formiche and Airpress Director</p> <p>Key Note Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Delphine PRONK, Ambassador, Chair of the Political and Security Committee of the European Union, deputy Political Director, EEAS, Brussels; • Alison WESTON, Deputy Director Security and Defence Policy and Senior Coordinator for Coordinated Maritime Presences; • Ariella VIEHE, Director of Operations, NATO HQ; • Rear Admiral Stefano TURCHETTO, Operation Commander of EUNAVFOR MED IRINI; • Vice Admiral Didier MALETERRE, French Navy, Deputy Commander, Allied Maritime Command.
15:40 - 16:00	Family Photo for all the distinguished guests
16:00 - 16:30	Coffee Break
16:30 – 17:30	<p><u>Panel: “EU and NATO “after” the Ukraine invasion: tackling common challenges and strengthening crisis response, security and stability”</u></p> <p>Moderator: Jan Joel ANDERSSON, Senior Analyst, Security & Defence, EUISS, Paris</p> <p>Key Note Speakers:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Alessio PATALANO, Professor at the Department of War Studies, King’s College London; • Andrea ORIZIO, Ambassador, Political and Security Committee of the European Union, Italian Representative; • Fergal O’REGAN, Deputy Head of the European Security and Defence College (ESDC); • James Henry BERGERON, Political Advisor to the Commander, Allied Maritime Command. <p>Review and discuss: Cooperation with partners is a key pillar of both the EU Security and Defence Agenda and NATO’s Partnership programmes. The EU-NATO partnership is founded on shared values, the determination to tackle common challenges and commitment to promote and safeguard peace, freedom and prosperity. How can we strengthen our partnership? What do we expect from a growing role of the EU in enhancing security and stability in the Mediterranean Area? And what is expected from NATO, in an era where not only is maritime security being contested in the Mediterranean, but also global and regional powers are deploying in a more aggressive posture?</p>
17:30 – 17:45	Question-and-Answer Session
17:45 – 18:05	<p>Operation EUNAVFOR MED IRINI (European Union) Operational Update Briefer: Rear Admiral Stefano TURCHETTO, Operation Commander of EUNAVFOR MED IRINI</p>
18:05 – 18:25	<p>Operation SEA GUARDIAN (NATO) Captain Niels Ole MARKUSSEN, Director, NATO Shipping Centre, Allied Maritime Command</p>
18:25 – 18:45	<p>Operation MEDITERRANEO SICURO (Italy), Operational Update Briefer: Rear Admiral Massimiliano LAURETTI, Chief of III Reparto SMM</p>
18:45 – 20:30	Buffet Dinner

DAY 2 – Thursday, 7th December

08:00 - 08:30

In-processing

08:30 - 09:00

Welcome Coffee

09:00 - 11:00

Working Groups Session 1

1. “Illicit trafficking in the South: how to disrupt a multifaceted challenge?”

Moderator:

Umberto PROFAZIO, Associate Fellow, Conflict, Security and Development, International Institute for Strategic Studies, IISS, London

Panellists:

- **Claudia GAZZINI** - Senior Analyst for Libya, International Crisis Group, ICG, Brussels;
- **Chiara CARDOLETTI**, UNHCR Representative to Italy, the Holy See and San Marino;
- **Giuseppe SERNIA**, UNODC Global Maritime Crime Programme Coordinator for Mediterranean and Black Sea, Tripoli;
- **Emanuela Claudia DEL RE**, EU Special Representative for the Sahel.

Review and discuss: Twelve years after the regime shift in Libya and with the political turmoil in African countries such as Mali, Niger, Chad and Burkina Faso the security situation in the region has deteriorated. The geo-economics of organized crime and trafficking in the area show that a combination of fragile states and ungoverned spaces is at the centre of illicit flows of goods (arms, drugs, money and tobacco) and the trafficking of persons. How to counter such flows from Sahel to the Med?

2. “Europe and partners in the Mediterranean region: how to enhance the Maritime Situational Awareness through cooperation?”

Moderator:

Erica PEPE, Research Manager, Executive Office; Analyst for Conflict, Security, Development at the International Institute for Strategic Studies, IISS, London.

Panellists:

- **Giovanni CREMONINI**, Head of Maritime Security Sector, EEAS, Brussels;
- **Captain Niels Ole MARKUSSEN**, Director, NATO Shipping Centre, Allied Maritime Command;
- **Captain Ioannis AGRODIMOS**, Branch chief Ops Coordination CMP (Coordinated Maritime Presence).

Review and discuss: The oceans and seas are key for present and future economic development and prosperity for all nations, including their security. Maritime security is vital to the European Union and to its Member States. Maritime security is nevertheless affected by a growing number of challenges arising from traditional and new or non-traditional threats, all of which require multiple forms of cooperation to enable enduring responses. How to best prevent, deter and counter these multiple security threats and challenges, with a view to ensuring, safe and open seas and enhancing a rules-based order at sea?

DAY 2 – Thursday, 7th December cont./

09:00 - 11:00	<p>3. “The Contribution of Maritime Security Operations to Naval Readiness and Training”</p> <p>Moderator: James Henry BERGERON, Political Advisor to the Commander, Allied Maritime Command</p> <p>Panellists:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Rear Admiral Marcel NECULAE, Deputy of the Romanian Chief of Naval Forces;• Commodore Michael MALONE, Flag Office Commanding the Irish Naval Service;• Darko MALECIC, Croatian Fleet Commander;• Larry WATKINS, Rear Admiral Deputy Commander US Naval Forces Europe & Africa. <p>Review and discuss: For more than twenty years NATO and EU Maritime Security Operations have been enabled by the contributions of member navies, creating the multi-national Task Groups that have conducted SHARP GUARD, Operation ACTIVE ENDEAVOUR, Operations ATALANTA and OCEAN SHIELD, Operation SOPHIA, and today’s Operation SEA GUARDIAN and Operation IRINI. While the benefits of naval support to NATO and EU operations are huge, contributing navies also benefit from their experience of multi-national MSO, often in different ways. What benefits in training and interoperability do MSO provide to navies? Is there a trade off with fleet readiness? What other advantages or challenges are involved?</p>
11:00 - 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 - 13:30	Working Groups Session 2: Outcomes Preparation
13:30 - 15:00	Buffet Lunch
15:00 - 16:00	<p>Working Groups Session 3: Outcomes</p> <p>Chairman: Matteo BRESSAN, Strategic Studies Professor at LUMSA University</p> <p>Moderators:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Representing Working Group 1: Umberto PROFAZIO;• Representing Working Group 2: Erica PEPE;• Representing Working Group 3: James Henry BERGERON.
16:00 - 16:15	<p>Closing Address</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Vice Admiral Didier MALETERRE, French Navy, Deputy Commander, Allied Maritime Command;• Admiral Stefano TURCHETTO, Operation Commander of EUNAVFOR MED IRINI.
16:30	Shuttle bus service (if booked through Joining Form)