P Consortium of Defense Academies and Security Studies Institutes



The PfPC is a **multinational consortium of defense academies and security studies institutes** that strengthens partner defense and security sectors. PfPC's **high-impact and low-cost activities** are **governed and resourced by a consortium of 10+ allies and partners**. Since its establishment in 1999, PfPC has enhanced intergovernmental and multinational interoperability, empowered partners for self-defense, and supported collective deterrence and resilience through PME institutional mentorship, curriculum development and implementation of workshops, exercises, and wargames—with over **800 institutions across over 50 nations**.





 $PfPC \cdot PfP Consortium Governance Structure$

$PfPC \cdot Governance Stakeholder Organizations$



• Current Lines of Effort \rightarrow Impacts



= Time-limited, more narrowly scoped projects

$PfPC \cdot 2024$ Activities

50+

PARTICIPATING NATIONS

PfPC participants represented 50 unique national territories plus NATO and the UN. Beyond the ten governance stakeholders, the greatest number of participants came from Ukraine, Armenia, the United Kingdom, Georgia, and Moldova.

40+ WORKING EVENTS

PfPC held over 40 working events—in addition to the many DEEP engagements. PfPC workshops include practical work on security issues, authorship of reference curricula for PME institutions, and the development of policy recommendations. These events help empower Allies and Partners and create opportunities for Track II diplomacy.

550+

VOLUNTARY "FELLOWS"

PfPC is enabled through the voluntary national contributions of experts, who support PfPC on behalf of their home nations or organizations. In 2024, the PfPC relied on a core group of roughly 550 contributors who helped organize working events, author papers, develop policy briefings, and more. These contributions are in addition to the experts who deliver DEEP.

DEEP with NATO International Staff

The Defense Education Enhancement Program (DEEP) helped 18 nations modernize their Professional Military Education (PME): Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Colombia, Georgia, Iraq, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Mauritania, Mongolia, Morocco, North Macedonia, Republic of Moldova, Serbia, Tunisia, Ukraine, and Uzbekistan.

18

NATIONS

DEVELOPED

DEEP PME ENGAGEMENTS

550

In 2024, NATO and the PfPC collectively delivered 550 DEEP Institutional Capacity Building activities. These engagements were delivered by experts drawn from a cadre of more than 1500 security and defense education professionals, and they supported over 3200 faculty and staff members at recipient institutions.

$PfPC \cdot Defense Education Enhancement Program (DEEP)$

DEEP with NATO International Staff



receiving nations

CENTRAL ASIA

- Mongolia
- Kazakhstan (US Only)

SOUTH AMERICA

• Colombia

MIDDLE EAST

- Iraq
- Jordan

AFRICA

- Mauritania
- Morocco
- Tunisia

EUROPE

- Albania (US only)
- Armenia
- Azerbaijan (NATO only)
- Bosnia and Herzegovina
- Georgia
- Moldova
- N. Macedonia (US only)
- Serbia
- Ukraine

DEEP professionalizes and modernizes partner Professional Military Education (PME) schools and sustains other security cooperation support

• 2024 Marked the 25th Anniversary of the PfPC





The 25th Anniversary was commemorated via a Ministerial-level Letter of Commitment (above), as well as through various events and publications





1999 in the spirit of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Partnership for Peace program to strengthen defense and security education through enhanced national and institutional cooperation.

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In the past 25 years, the PfP Consortium has cultivated a trusted global network that fosters stability and enhances security, bringing together hundreds of institutions across the Euro-Atlantic region to support multinational initiatives in defense education, security sector cooperation, and capacity building, Today, the PfP Consortium has risen to the ambitions defined during the formative discussions held at the NATO and Euro-Atlantic Partnership Council meetings that lead to the Consortium's creation:

- 1. Foster academic and educational opportunities across the security community
- 2. Encourage high standards for professional military education
- 3. Promote effective education through professional methods and advanced technology
- 4. Expand dialogue, understanding, and cooperation through security related research
- 5. Explore complementary relationships across diverse institutions

Despite these achievements, aspects of the contemporary security environment continue to degrade, and we face increasingly complex regional, global, and transnational issues. These challenges reinforce the need for continued cooperation among Allies and Partners as well as the reaffirmation of the ideals and initiatives of the PfP Consortium. The Signatories are united by a shared vision of enduring Euro-Atlantic partnerships, and in signing this Letter of Intent, recognize the persistent need for security cooperation across our defense academies, security studies institutes, and partner institutions, in order to:

Pursue intellectual interoperability among Allies and Partners by strengthening Partner defense and security institutions, enhancing crosssector cooperation, and promoting modern standards for professional military education.

Advance multinational solutions to modern security challenges by operationalizing research and emerging security concepts through an active network of defense educators and researchers, policymakers, and security practitioners from defense academies, security institutes, government agencies, universities, and nongovernmental organizations

Contribute to conflict prevention by nurturing enduring partnerships to expand dialogue, build resilient networks, and provide channels for informal diplomacy

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for Security Policy - Signed in Brussels on 14, June 2024

$PfPC \cdot Reference Curricula (Examples Shown)$





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