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**SUBJECT: "GENDER PERSPECTIVES IN MARITIME SECURITY" SEMINAR –
CALLING LETTER**

DATE: 10 Mar 2021

REFERENCE: a. NMIOTC 3000 NSC-71/sec: NU 12, dated 02 Feb 21/12th NMIOTC
Annual Conference 2021 – Calling Letter
b. Gender Perspectives in Maritime Security” Seminar –Save the Date

1. **Introduction:** NMIOTC has the pleasure to announce the organization of the “Gender Perspectives in Maritime Security” Seminar, in co-operation with Coventry University’s Centre for Trust, Peace and Social Relations and Nottingham International Law and Security Centre, which will take place in Souda Bay Crete, Greece, from 03rd to 4th June 2021.

2. **Aim:** The aim of this event is to encourage collaboration in the utilization of the gender perspective in the maritime security across the spectrum of Peace, Crises and War. We envisage promoting gender mainstreaming in the maritime domain in a holistic, comprehensive and effective way. The seminar is targeted at scientific, industrial, naval staff, maritime and academic researchers, practitioners, members of maritime associations, shipping companies, governmental departments/bodies, international organizations and agencies, the public and private sector in general, within or connected to the maritime security.

3. The main objectives of the Seminar are:

- a. Key areas and impact of incorporating a gender perspective in Maritime Operations and Maritime Security Policies.
- b. Explore joint initiatives and intersectionality with other international organisations on Women Peace Security (WPS) (e.g. NATO-EU co-operation).
- c. Advancing women's presence in the Maritime domain.
- d. Gender perspective in Maritime Rule of Law and Coastal Welfare.
- e. The gender dimension of irregular movements of people at sea.
- f. Best Practices of using gender analysis in Maritime Operations, NATO Lessons Learned and Policy Implementation regarding gender mainstreaming in the maritime domain.

4. **Call for papers:** Papers are invited on the topics of the seminar. Interested speakers should submit an abstract of their paper by the 15th of April 2021 to the POCs of NMIOTC (Para.15), including a short Curriculum Vitae and a brief overview of the organization, institution or company that they represent. Subsequent to the seminar, selected papers may be considered for publication in the NMIOTC's Journal. Authors will be given the opportunity to update their papers before publication in the Journal. Abstract should be no longer than 250 words and clearly indicate the provisional title, the authors and a synthesis of the content of the paper. Provisional acceptance of papers will be made on the basis of the abstract and final acceptance will be given after consideration of the draft papers.

5. **Specific details:** First Announcement and Call for Papers: 10 March 2021
Abstract to be submitted by 15 April 2021
Authors advised of acceptance by 22 April 2021
Final Papers to be submitted by 21 May 2021
Seminar 03 - 04 June 2021

6. **Schedule:** The seminar will be held over two days, from Thursday 3rd to Friday 4th of June 2021. Please note that these dates have been chosen to allow the participants who wish, to also attend the "NMIOTC 12th Annual Conference", which will be held from Tuesday the 1st to Wednesday 2nd of June 2021 as per reference (a). The provisional schedule of the seminar, along with more detailed information will be issued in due course. Information will also be regularly updated on the NMIOTC web page at www.nmiotc.nato.int.

7. **Participants:** Registration is open to all interested participants. Speakers from military organizations, academia and industry will be asked to present their views on the topic. We welcome participation from the Community of Interest of officials/military and civilian attendees coming from NATO countries, NATO partner countries and NNS's. The ideally diverse audience is expected to include representatives from Armed Forces, Law Enforcement, Civil Service (Foreign Affairs, Interior, Defence, etc) along with other relevant organizations involved or interested in Maritime Security and Gender. In this regard you are kindly requested to forward this invitation to persons that might be interested to attend / participate.

8. **Classification:** The seminar will have no classification marking and all contents will be releasable to public. The conference will be held under the **Chatham House Rule**.

9. **Attire:** The attire for the seminar will be summer service uniform for the military personnel and business casual (jacket & tie) for the civilians.

10. **Registration:** Registration should be made on NMIOTC's official web site dedicated registration area, <http://nmiotc.nato.int/join-us/individual-application-form/>, no later than **Friday 21st May 20**. A confirmation message will be sent within 3 working days.

11. **Lodging and Transportation:** Although attendees are responsible for the arrangement of their own accommodation and transportation from/to Airport, NMIOTC can provide assistance if requested. A list of recommended hotels can be found in Enclosure 2. Transportation to/from the NMIOTC premises and specified pick-up points in the city of Chania will be provided during the seminar days. Detailed joining instructions will be issued in due course.

12. **Seminar fee:** The seminar fee is **70 €** for each attendee to cover seminar and administrative expenses and will include coffee breaks, refreshments, two (2) buffet lunches, transportation and participation to the official event on Thursday 3rd of June. An additional fee of **25 €** for spouses will be required, should they want to participate in the Official event. The respective fee should be paid in cash and by credit card on the first day of the event or by a deposit in the following account (An official receipt will be provided):

**“Bank Info: NATIONAL BANK OF GREECE,
Account Name: NMIOTC, Bank account: 494/540010-48,
IBAN: GR38 0110 4940 0000 4945 4001 048,
BIC: ETHN GRAA”**

13. **Visa Requirements:** Participants or their supervising authorities are responsible for visa arrangements for their personnel. It is advised that participants should contact their national embassies/consulates in Greece or the Greek Military Attachés at the Greek Embassies in their respective capitals for relevant information.

14. **Remarks:** More detailed and updated information will be always available at the website of the centre: www.nmiotc.nato.int .

15. **Points of Contact:** For further information or clarification please contact:

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16. Thank you in advance for your support to this “Gender Perspectives in Maritime Security” Seminar. We look forward to an interesting and productive event and to welcoming you to the picturesque and historical city of Chania.



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Commandant NMIOTC

ENCLOSURES :

1. Seminar Overall Agenda
2. List of Recommended Hotels

Seminar Provisional Overall Agenda

1. The seminar detailed Agenda is under development.

2. **Overall Agenda**

- a. Wed, 02 June 21: Travel Day
- b. Thu, 03 June 21: Opening Session
Seminar Day 1
Social Event
- c. Fri, 04 June 21: Seminar Day 2
- d. Sat, 05 June 21: Travel Day

OR

- a. Mon, 31 May 21: Travel Day
- b. Tue, 01 June 21
& Wed, 02 June 21: "NMIOTC 12th Annual Conference"
- c. Thu, 03 June 21
& Fri, 04 June 21: "Gender Perspectives in Maritime Security"
Seminar
- d. Sat, 05 June 21: Travel Day

LIST OF RECOMMENDED HOTELS IN CHANIA

Accommodation: There are no accommodation facilities at NMIOTC. Therefore, participants are responsible to arrange their own accommodation. NMIOTC can provide guidance / assistance, if requested. Hotels near the Chania city centre are highly recommended for transportation purposes. A list of recommended Hotels around Chania city centre is as follows (special prices apply to participants only for direct booking with each hotel manager by e-mail using the code “**NMIOTC Guest**”, including breakfast and internet connection):

- a. AKALI 4* hotel www.akali-hotel.gr,
E-mail: info@akali-hotel.gr, Tel: +30 28210 92872.
- b. KYDON 4* hotel www.kydon-hotel.com,
E-mail: info@kydon-hotel.gr, Tel: +30 28210 52280.
- c. SAMARIA 4* hotel www.samariahhotel.gr,
E-mail: reservations@samariahhotel.gr, Tel: +30 2821038600.
- d. ARKADI 3* hotel www.arkadi-hotel.gr,
E-mail: info@arkadi-hotel.gr, Tel: +30 28210 90181.
- e. HALEPA 3* hotel (www.halepa.com),
E-mail: hotel@halepa.com, Tel. +302821028440.
- f. PORTO VENEZIANO 3* hotel www.portoveneziano.gr,
E-mail: hotel@portoveneziano.gr, Tel: +30 28210 27100.
- g. ROYAL SUN 3* hotel www.royalsunhotel.com,
E-mail: hotelroyalsun@gmail.com, Tel: +30 28210 46363.

NOTIFICATION:

Special prices have been negotiated for NMIOTC's guests and apply to participants only for direct booking by e-mail to the hotel reservation manager notifying that you are “**NMIOTC Guest**”. NMIOTC can provide guidance / assistance, if requested.