Strategic Workshop:
Shared Responsibility and Comprehensive Security in the MENA Region

26-28 September 2017, Rome, Italy

Agenda (as of 25 Sep 2017)

Monday, 25 September 2017 - Arrival

All day  Participants’ arrival in Rome, Italy, transfer to Hotel and check-in

18:00 – 19:00 Registration and reception ‘Meet & Greet’
Venue: Courtyard by Marriott Central Park Hotel, Rome
Welcome remarks by Colonel Stefan Nievelstein, Military Attaché, German Embassy Rome
Welcome remarks by Ambassador Douglas Griffiths, Associate Director for International Liaison at George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies

Tuesday, 26 September 2017 - Workshop Day One

09:00 – 09:40 Opening Session

Welcome Remarks by
Dr. Petra Weyland
George C. Marshall Center European Center for Security Studies (GCMC)

Participant introduction around the table

George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies
Mission & Organization (overview)
LTC Ulrich Janssen, Program Manager
09:40 – 10:30 **Setting the Stage:**

Ambassador Douglas Griffiths  
Associate Director for International Liaison, GCMC  

Discussion

10:30 Break

11:00 – 12:30 **Session 1: “Shared Responsibility and Security Cooperation” – southern Mediterranean perspectives**

Short (10- max. 15 minutes each) presentations by participant speakers from southern Mediterranean countries followed by a moderated discussion period.

**Speakers:**  
Prof. Dr. Moha Ennaji, Fès University, Morocco  
Ms. Nadya Khalife, Women, Peace and Security Specialist at UN Women in Beirut, Lebanon  
Ms. Farah Mesmar, Regional Advocacy Advisor for the Kvinna till Kvinna Foundation Jordan  
Mr. Na’eem Jeenah, Executive Director of the Afro-Middle East Centre, Republic of South Africa  

**Moderator:** Dr. Ben Nickels, Africa Center

12:30 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 **Session 2: “Shared Responsibility and Security Cooperation” – northern Mediterranean perspectives**

Short (10- max. 15 minutes each) presentations by participant speakers from northern Mediterranean countries followed by a moderated discussion period.

**Speakers:**  
Ms. Rocío Corrales Rayon, International Relations and Intercultural Dialogue expert, Spain  
Dr. Elena Mandalenaki, Independent Researcher, Greece  
Prof. Dr. Ahmet İcduygu, College of Social Sciences and Humanities, KOC University, Turkey  
Mr. Emmanuel Dupuy, Institut for Europeen Prospective and Security, France  
Ms. Margherita Bianchi, Institute for International Affairs, Italy  

**Moderator:** Dr. Ralf Roloff, GCMC

15:30 Break

16:00 **Summary of the Day**
Wednesday, 27 September 2017 - Workshop Day Two

09:00 – 10:30 **Session 3: “Shared Responsibility and Security Cooperation”** – International Organizations and other international actors

Short (10- max. 15 minutes each) presentations by participant speakers from selected internation organizations and other international actors followed by a moderated discussion period.

**Speakers:**
- Amb. Victor-Emmanuel Djomatchoua Toko, African Union
- Mr. Nejib Friji, International Peace Institute, MENA Office
- Dr. Daria Daniels Skodnik, NATO/NDC
- Mr. Luigi Bruno, European Union
- Ms. Elena Rafti, Cyprus

**Moderator:** Amb. Douglas Griffiths, GCMC

10:30 Break

11:00 – 12:30 **Session 4: “Shared Responsibility and Security Cooperation”** – Perspectives of Parliamentarians & Politicians

Short (10- max. 15 minutes each) presentations by participanting Parliamentarians and Politicians from southern Mediterranean countries followed by a moderated discussion period.

**Speakers:**
- Dr. Emna Ben Mustapha Ben Arab, Tunisia
- Ms. Loubna Amhaïr, Morocco
- Ms. Marianne Malak, Egypt
- Mr. Moussa Mara, Mali
- Ms. Naima Farhi, Algeria

**Moderator:** Dr. Ben Nickels, Africa Center

12:30 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 **Session 5: Shared Responsibility – an issue of culture & history?** – obstacles in the way of nurturing a common understanding of „shared responsibility” in security cooperation with MENA countries

**Speakers:**
- Mr. Mario Gomes, Portugal
- Ms. Jasmine El-Gamal, USA
- Dr. Fatima Sadiqi, Morocco
- Dr. Aurora Martin, Roumania
- Mr. Jack C. Guy, USA

**Moderator:** Dr. Petra Weyland, GCMC

15:30 Break
16:00 – 17:30 Breakout Group Session: Towards a better practice of „shared responsibility and comprehensive security“: what to do, how to do, and what not to do

Group 1 Facilitator: Adm (ret) Alberto Cervone, Italy
Group 2 Facilitator: Dr. Haluk Karadağ, Turkey

Thursday, 28 September 2017 - Workshop Day Three

09:00 – 10:30 Session 6: Suggestions for a better practice of „shared responsibility and comprehensive security“ between MENA and around the Mediterranean

Breakout Group presentations (2x max 20 minutes) in plenary followed by a Q&A session

Moderator: Dr. Ralf Roloff

10:30 Break

11:00 – 12:30 Summary, take-aways, and the way-ahead

Dr. Petra Weyland
George C. Marshall Center European Center for Security Studies (GCMC)

Closing remarks

Mr. Jason Grubb
Deputy Political-Military Counselor, U.S. Embassy Rome (TBC)

12:30 End of Workshop

Early departures (per departure schedule)

GCMC, CASD and invited participants only

12:30 – 14:00 Lunch (hosted for participants of the afternoon session only)

14:00 - 16:00 Institutional Way-ahead

Event review and the way-ahead; planning considerations for a follow-on event in 2018