EU Missions and Operations

Since 2003, the EU has conducted, or is conducting, 30 missions and operations under CSDP. 9 are military operations/missions. The remainder are civilian missions. Currently, the EU is undertaking 16 missions and operations under CSDP (5 military missions and operations and 11 civilian missions).

### MIDDLE EAST

- **CONCORDIA** (former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), Mar – Dec 03
- **EUFOR ALTHEA** (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Dec 04 – Nov 15

### EUROPE

- **EUPOL Proxima** (former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia), Dec 03 – Dec 05
- **EUROPECONCORDIA (former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia)**, Mar 03 – Dec 03
- **EUFOR ALTHEA** (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Dec 04 – Nov 15

### ASIA

- **AMM** (Aceh Province, Indonesia), Sep 05 – Dec 07
- **EUPOL AFGHANISTAN** (Afghanistan), 15 June 07 – 31 Dec 14

### AFRICA

- **ARTEMIS** (Utri province, Congo RDC), Jun – Sep 03
- **EUFOR RD Congo** (Congo RDC), Jun – Nov 06
- **EUFOR TCHAD/RCA** (Chad-Central African Republic), Jun 08 – Mar 09
- **Operation ATALANTA** (EUNAVFOR Operation to counter piracy off the coast of Somalia), Dec 08 – Dec 16
- **EUTM Somalia** (Training Mission, Somalia), Apr 10 – Mar 15
- **EUTM Mali** (Training Mission, Mali), 18 Feb 13 – 18 May 16
- **EUFOR RCA** (Central African Republic, Africa), Apr 14 – Dec 14

Note: Missions/Operations in bold are ongoing. Dates refer to agreed mandates and do not mean that missions/operations will necessarily close on dates indicated. Information correct at time of printing in October 2014.

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### OCCUPIED PALESTINIAN TERRITORY

#### EU BAM RAFAH

- **Type:** EU Border assistance and monitoring mission.
- **Objectives:** To provide a «Third Party» presence at the Rafah Crossing Point (RCP) on the Gaza-Egypt border, mandated to verify and evaluate the professional conduct of the Palestinian Authority (PA) border police and customs services at the RCP and to contribute to confidence building between Israel and the PA.
- **Mandate:** Operational phase began on 25 November 2005. However, operations at the RCP have been suspended since June 2007 due to Hamas’ violent takeover of the Gaza Strip. The Mission has maintained its readiness and capacity to redeploy to the RCP once political and security conditions allow. The mission was recently extended until 30 June 2015.
- **Commitment:** The authorised and actual strength of the Mission is 4 international mission members, currently contributed by 3 EU Member States. (Currently 3 + 4 local staff) The budget for the period of July 2014 to June 2015 is €0.965 million.
- **Acting Head of Mission:** Guy Rolin (FR)/ Selection process ongoing.

#### EUPOL COPPS

- **Type:** EU Police and rule-of law mission.
- **Objectives:** To contribute to the establishment of sustainable and effective policing arrangements under Palestinian ownership, in accordance with best international standards, in cooperation with the EU’s institution building programmes as well as other international efforts in the wider context of Security Sector, including Criminal Justice Reform.
- **Mandate:** Launched on 1 January 2006 for an initial duration of 3 years, the current Mission mandate was recently extended from an initial 1 year, until 30 June 2015.
- **Commitment:** Headquarters in Ramallah, the Mission has an authorised strength of 71 international and 41 local mission members. The current strength is 62 international mission members, including police experts, judges and prosecutors + 43 local staff). A total of 19 Member States and the third states of Canada (2) and Norway (1) contribute Mission personnel. The budget for the period of July 2014 to June 2015 is €9.820 million.
- **Acting Head of Mission:** Major Rodolphe Mauget (FR).
EU advisory mission for civilian security sector reform.

Following the armed conflict between Russia and Georgia in August 2008, EUMM Georgia monitors the implementation of the ceasefire agreement brokered by the EU on 12 August and Implementing Measures of 8 September. EUMM has the following mandated tasks: Stabilisation, Normalisation, Confidence building and Information:

**Mandate:** Launched 15 September 2008, the Mission’s mandate has been extended to 14 December 2014.

**Commitment:** Headquarters in Tbilisi with 3 Regional Field Offices in Mtskheta, Gori and Zugdidi, the Mission has an authorised strength of 282 international staff (Currently 262 + 131 local staff). A budget of €26.65 million is allocated for the period up to 14 December 2014 (fifteen months). (23 contributing EU nations).

**Head of Mission:** Toivo Klaar (EE), EUSR for the South Caucasus and the Crisis in Georgia; Herbert Salber (DE), Head of Delegation: Philip Dimitrov (BG).


**EUAM UKRAINE**

**Type:** EU advisory mission for civilian security sector reform.

**Objectives:** To contribute to the development of effective, sustainable and accountable civilian security services that contributes to strengthening the rule of law in Ukraine, for the benefit of all Ukrainian citizens throughout the country.

**Mandate:** An initial mandate of two years is foreseen by the Council Decision of 22 July 2014, to start when the Mission is formally launched.

**Commitment:** Operational planning and other preparations for the Mission are underway; a civilian response team was deployed in Kyiv in May 2014, followed by the Mission Advance Team and later the Core Team. Headquarters will be in Kyiv. A budget of €2.68 million was allocated for the first four-month start-up phase of the mission until 30 November.

**Head of Mission:** Kalman Mizsei (HU) was appointed on 24 July 2014. Head of Delegation: Jan Tömböki (PL).

**EU Operation Commander.** Major General Dieter Heidecker (CA). Head of Mission: Samuel Zbogar (SI).


**Commitment:** Headquartered in Pristina, the Mission has an authorised strength of 800 international mission members (Currently 878 + 936 local staff). A total of 27 EU Member States contribute personnel and five Third State contributors Norway, Switzerland, Turkey, USA and Canada are supporting the Mission. A budget of €34 million is allocated for the period of 15 June 2014 to 14 October 2014 for the transition phase of the Mission. Preliminary steps are taken for the budget of €55,820,000 allocated for the period 15 October 2014 to 14 June 2015.

**Head of Mission:** Ahorn: Jöelle Vachter (FR), EUSR and Head of EU Office: Samuel Zbogar (SI).

**EUFOR ALTHEA**

**Type:** Military EU-led operation.

**Objectives:** Under the authority of the Council and in line with the mandate, EUFOR ALTHEA supports Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) efforts to maintain a Safe and Secure Environment (SASE), and in parallel, conducts capacity building and training of the Armed Forces of BiH (AFBiH) in order to contribute to the stability of the state.

**Mandate:** In December 2004, EUFOR took over responsibility of maintaining a SASE in BiH from the NATO-led Stabilisation Force (SFOR). The EU-led military Operation EUFOR ALTHEA is a United Nations (UN) Chapter VII mission.

**Commitment:** In October 2013 the Foreign Affairs Council (FAC) decided to keep the executive role to support BiH’s authorities’ efforts to maintain the SASE. By September 2012, the operation had been reconfigured with forces which, in addition, will focus on capacity building and training. There are currently 907 troops from 17 EU Member States and 5 Third Contributing States ready to carry out these tasks. EUFOR is backed up by the Intermediate Reserve Forces and stands ready to respond to any security challenge. Common costs for the operation in 2014 are €14.4 million.

**Command:** The operation is conducted under Berlin + arrangements, where EU Staff Group in NATO Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers in Europe (SHAPE) acts as an EU Operational HQ. Deputy Supreme Allied Commander Europe (DSACEUR), General Sir Adrian Bradshaw (UK) is the EU Operation Commander. Major General Dieter Heidecker (AT) is the Force Commander (COM EUFOR) of EUFOR ALTHEA.

**EUPOL AFGHANISTAN**

**Type:** EU police mission with linkages into wider rule of law.

**Objectives:** To support the Afghan government in moving towards the establishment of sustainable and effective civilian policing arrangements that will ensure interaction with the wider criminal justice system under Afghan ownership. Objectives are implemented through assistance in policy-level reform of the Ministry of Interior, training and capacity-building of the Afghan National Police leadership as well as through support to relevant justice institutions.

**Mandate:** Launch on 15 June 2007, the mandate was extended until 31 December 2014. The Council agrees in principle on an extension until the end of 2016.

**Commitment:** Headquarters in Kabul with 2 field offices (Herat, Mazar-e-Sharif), the Mission has an authorised strength of 400 international mission members, including police, legal and administrative experts. The current strength is 277 International + 197 local staff. A total of 23 EU Member States contribute personnel. The budget for the period of 1 June 2013 to 31 December 2014 is €108.5 million.

**Head of Mission:** District Police Commissioner Karl-Åke Roghe (SE). EUSR: Franz-Michael Skjold Mellbin (DK).

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**EUROPEAN UNION FORCE ALTHEA (EUFOR ALTHEA)**

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EU Border assistance.
The Council Decision establishing the mission applies for 2 years, the Mission operates from its Headquarters in Tripoli although its Current mandate from 16 July 2012 to 12 December 2016.

A regional civilian mission augmented with military expertise, the initial two-year mandate starting on 16 July 2012 was extended 31st July 2014 and since October 2014 downsized to 17 people from the 57 initially employed from 17 EU contributing states. 

The SSR mission was launched on the 08 June 2005. In September 2012 the PSC agreed on the need to extend EUSEC RD Congo for 1 year (mandate 7), followed by a final transition phase of 12 months (mandate 8, 2014). During this period EUSEC should strive for a finalisation or effective hand over of its tasks to the Congolese authorities, other EU instruments or bilateral or international actors with a view to sustainability of the result. The mandate has been extended until 30 June 2015 (press release ST 13310/14).

The mission consists of 35 military and civilian personnel from 10 EU Member States and one from the USA + 29 local staff. The mission is located in Kinshasha and has 1 detachment in Goma. Bukavu detachment was closed on the 12 September 2013. The mission budget for 2014 is €8.5M million. A budget of € 4.6 million is available until 30 June 2015.

Head of Mission: Colonel Jean-Louis Nurenberg (LU).

EUCAP SAHEL

Type: EU Capacity building mission.

Objectives: The objective of EUCAP Sahel Mali is to allow the Malian authorities to restore and maintain constitutional and democratic order and the conditions for lasting peace in Mali, and to restore and maintain EUTM Somalia, and in order to enable them to fight piracy more effectively. The Mission is aiding countries in the Horn of Africa and the Western Indian Ocean in strengthening their maritime security capacity in an effective and coordinated manner, with a view to contribute to enhancing political stability, security, governance and social cohesion in Niger and in the Sahel region.

Mandate: The initial two-year mandate starting on 16 July 2012 was extended by a further two years until 15 July 2016.

Commitment: Headquarter in Niamey, the mission is staffed with 47 International + 27 local staff, 11 EU contributing states. An annual budget of €9.2 million was allocated for the period of 16 July 2013 to 15 July 2014.

### EU FORCE, Republique centrafricaine (EUFOR RCA)

**Type:** Military EU-led operation.

**Objectives:** To contribute to the resolution of crisis in RCA, the EU decided to utilise a short-term military CSPD operation to contribute to a Safe and Secure Environment (SASE), providing temporary support to facilitate the full deployment of MISCA (African Union-led operation).

**Mandate:** EUFOR RCA is acting under the mandate given by UNSCR 2134(2014) for a period of six months from the declaration of its Full Operational Capacity (FOC). FOC having been declared on 15th June, the end of mandate is 15th Dec 2014.

**Commitment:** On the ground, the composition of the Force is a battalion-sized grouping, consisting of 2.5 Infantry Companies, 1 Gendarmerie Company, together with appropriate Command and Control (C2), enablers (engineering, ISTAR...), logistic and medical support. The approved budget is €31.2 million. As of 10 Aug 14, 12 Member States have deployed troops in Central African Republic and 2 Third States (Georgia, Serbia) contribute to the operation, providing 1 infantry company and medical team. (In total currently 732 in Bangui).

**Command:** Major General Philippe Ponties (FR) has been appointed EU Operation Commander. The OOH of EUFOR RCA is located at Larissa, Greece. Brigadier General Thierry Lion (FR) is the Force Commander. The FHQ is located in Bangui, RCA.

### MALI

**EU TRAINING Mission, Mali (EUTM Mali)**

**Type:** Military mission to contribute to the training and advice of the Malian Armed Forces (MAF).

**Objectives:** EUTM Mali responds to the invitation of the Malian authorities and to the UNSCR 2071 (2012) adopted on 12 October 2012, which expressed its grave concern about the consequences of instability in the North of Mali and stressed the need to respond swiftly in order to preserve stability across the Sahel region. It invited international partners, including the EU, to provide training to the Malian army and security forces, under control of the legitimate civilian political authorities.

**Mandate:** The mission was launched on 18 February 2013 and initially planned for 15 months. During the mandate the mission had provided military training and advice to the Malian Armed Forces (MAF). 4 Battalions, each consisting of 650 to 700 personnel, have been trained. EUTM Mali shall not be involved in combat operations and mentoring. Following the last Strategic Review (Nov 2013), the Mission is extended until mid-May 2016, with a renewed mandate aimed at strengthening Malian ownership on the rebuilding of Armed Forces, through an increase of the advising role and a Train the Trainer programme.

**Commitment:** The mission comprises 550 personnel including 200 instructors, mission support staff, Force Protection and Air MEDEVAC (in total 22 EU contributing states + 3 non EU). The Mission Headquarters is located in Bamako and the Training area is in Koulikoro, 60 km north-east of Bamako. Common costs for the mandate are estimated at €27.7 million.

**Command:** Brigadier General Marc Rudkiewicz (FR) was appointed EU Mission Commander on the 1 April 2014. The Mission Commander exercises the functions of EU Operation Commander and EU Force Commander. Brigadier General Alfonso García-Vaquero (ES) took over on 24 October 2014.

### SOMALIA

#### Operation ATALANTA – EUNAVFOR Operation to counter piracy off the coast of Somalia

**Type:** Anti-piracy maritime operation. First EU maritime operation.

**Objectives:** In support of UN Security Council Resolution calling for active participation in the fight against piracy. The areas of intervention are the Gulf of Aden and the Indian Ocean off the Somali Coast. The mission includes: Protection of vessels of the World Food Programme (WFP) delivering food aid to displaced persons in Somalia; protection of AMISOM shipping; deterrence, prevention and repression of acts of piracy and armed robbery off the Somali coast; protection of vulnerable shipping off the Somali coast on a case by case basis; in addition, Operation ATALANTA shall also contribute to the monitoring of fishing activities off the coast of Somalia. Currently 1332 staff members; 23 EU contributing states + 3 non EU states.

**Mandate:** Launched on 8 December 2008, and initially planned for a period of 12 months, the PSC has approved an extension of Operation ATALANTA until December 2016.

**Commitment:** Operation ATALANTA typically consists of 4 to 8 surface combat vessels, 1 auxiliary ship and 2 to 4 Maritime Patrol Aircraft. Common costs for the operation in 2014 are €7.5 million.

**Command:** The EU Operation Headquarters is located at Northwood (UK). Major General Martin Smith (UK) is the EU Operation Commander. Rear Admiral Guido Rando (IT) is the Force Commander.