



CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

1st Day

- 09:00-10:00 Registration
- 10:00-11:00 Opening Remarks-Speeches
- 11:00-13:00 Session 1: “Challenges arising from migration-terrorism-hybrid threats”: The role of Greece.
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch Break
- 14:00-16:00 Session 2: “Mediterranean maritime and energy security: Why they are important for Europe?”
- 16:00-16:15 Coffee break
- 16:00-16:15 Wrap-up of the 1st day topics

2nd day

- 09:00-11:00 Session 3: “By failing to prepare you are preparing to fail: The role of preparedness in crisis management.”
- 11:00-11:15 Coffee break
- 11:15-13:15 Session 4: “Leadership, crisis informatics and media strategy as critical enablers for effective crisis response.”
- 13:15-14:15 Lunch Break
- 14:15-16:15 Session 5 “The need for closer cooperation among international organizations: An essential prerequisite for effective crisis management.
- 16:15-16:30 Coffee break
- 16:30-17:30 Conclusion of Conference



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ATHENA '18

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About the Conference

The Security and Crisis Management International Conference “Athena” is considered as one of the most important events, gathering experts on international security and crisis management matters at both the political and military level.

Living in an era in which the international community is facing the “return of history” and the interest in effective interstate crisis response has plausibly increased, “Athena 18” seeks to add knowledge towards this end. Hence, the Conference will firstly attempt to analyze current threats to international security and stability and secondly pursue the presentation and evaluation of new ideas, concepts and approaches concerning the field of crisis management as well as possibilities for increased cooperation. “Athena 18” aspires to provide an international forum for promoting discussions and the exchange of views and experiences among various key partners, international actors and across government officials and academics on multidimensional crisis management initiatives and best practices on how to deal with common challenges.

The “Athena ‘18” Security and Crisis Management International Conference is the 15th annual “Athena” conference organized by the Hellenic National Defence General Staff (HNDGS) under the auspices of the Hellenic Ministry of National Defence with the participation of civil, academic and military personnel coming from many countries and international organizations.

It will take place in Athens, from 13th to 14th November, 2018 at the “Hellenic Air Force Academy Auditorium”, at Tatoi Airport, which is located in the area of Decelia.

Topics

The topics to be covered during the conference are the following:

- Challenges arising from migration – terrorism – hybrid threats: The role of Greece.
- Mediterranean maritime and energy security: Why they are important for Europe?
- By failing to prepare you are preparing to fail: The role of preparedness in crisis management.
- Leadership, crisis informatics and media strategy as critical enablers for effective crisis response.
- The need for closer cooperation amongst international organizations: An essential prerequisite for effective crisis management.



Language

All relative documents and promotional material will be published in English, the official language of the conference. Nevertheless, simultaneous Interpretation facilities in Greek will also be available during the conference.

Participation Instructions

For participation, please complete the Registration Form at <http://www.geetha.mil.gr/media/athena18/index.html> no longer than October 10th, 2018.

Accommodation

Accommodation arrangement is the individual's responsibility.

Travel & Transportation

Participants should make their own travel arrangements to and from Athens. In addition any necessary passport and visa arrangements as well as transportation between airport and the hotel are also the individual's responsibility. Transportation means will be available from Athens (“Ethniki Amina” metro station) to Tatoi Airport, on participant's request. All transportation means will depart at 08:00 am.

*Social/Cultural Events

Participants will have the opportunity to participate in a number of social/cultural events. Some of these events are hosted by the organizers.

Dress Code

Conference session:

Military Officers: Class A Uniform,

Civilians: Jacket and tie for men - smart dress for women.

Welcome cocktail: Smart casual (open collar).

Formal Events Hosted by Hellenic MoD: Formal attire (Suit and tie for men – formal cocktail for women).

*Only for participants coming from abroad.

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