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## NATO ENERGY SECURITY CENTRE OF EXCELLENCE NEWSLETTER

### Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Working Group meeting

The annual Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Working Group (WG) took place over the period 12-14 March 2013 in Virginia Beach, VA, USA. The NATO ENSEC COE was represented by Ms Rasa Pazarauskienė, Expert, Doctrine and Concept Development Division.

The main purpose of the CD&E WG was to conduct the necessary technical validation of the 2014 CD&E proposals. At the same time the event offered the Nations, Centres of Excellence and other NATO Organisations the opportunity to collaborate with ACT by comparing CD&E Programmes of Work and where possible integrating national and ACT CD&E activities. In addition participants were requested to express their areas of interest to HQ SACT in order to generate discussion on possible future CD&E activities that could be of benefit to the Alliance.

### COE MOU workshop

First COE MOU workshop took place in Bratislava (Slovakia) on 11-13 March. The NATO ENSEC COE was represented by Ms Renata Vaisviliene, Legal Advisor.

Following points were covered at the workshop:

- The MOU amendment process is understood and any misconceptions are addressed.



Each improvement to MOUs is discussed and the rationale behind it is fully understood.

- Individual MOUs will be examined and changes identified.
- Delegates identify which changes are suitable for their COE.

- Common text is agreed among delegates to implement the desired changes.

### Visit of the Chief of Staff of NATO's Allied Command Transformation

On April 11 Chief of Staff of NATO's Allied Command Transformation (ACT) Vice Admiral Tony Johnstone-Burt visited the NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence (NATO ENSEC COE).



During the visit the activities of the NATO ENSEC COE were presented to Vice Admiral Tony Johnstone-Burt and future cooperation between the ACT and the NATO Energy Security Centre of Excellence was addressed. The Vice Admiral asserted he was impressed by the achievements of the Energy Security Centre and also expressed his support to the Centre's future plans.

### Reconstruction of new NATO ENSEC COE premises started

On March 29th started 1st phase of reconstruction of new premises of ENSEC COE. Employees cleared the building and the moving company started to work. At the end of April begins the second phase—reconstruction of the building. The reconstruction will be ended at the end of July. Grand Opening and Inauguration Ceremony will be on 5th September 2013.



### UPCOMING EVENTS

**April 10–11:** Visit of NATO ACT Chief of staff to NATO ENSEC COE

**May:** Conference "Emerging Security Challenges: Enhancing Energy Security in the 21st Century"

**June 13-21:** Smart Energy Solutions Showcase (Slovakia)

**September 5-6:** Official inauguration of the NATO ENSEC COE

**September 10-11:** Training Landscape Development Conference

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