





LAND, FORMATIONS

(DE) EUFOR Crisis Response Operation Core (EUFOR CROC)

(established in March 2018/accomplished in 2024)

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PROJECT DESCRIPTION

When starting the project, the EU was lacking generic strategic plans for crisis response operations (including concrete force/capability element lists) apart from the more generic EU Requirement and Force Catalogues, used for generic capability planning purposes. The project has been addressing this gap by developing force sensing mechanisms to create scenario-based force element lists, summarizing rapidly available capabilities, facilities and forces of the EU member states.

EUFOR CROC has paved the way for an achievable EU Level of Ambition. It created convergence and promoted the political commitment towards higher strategic autonomy of the EU. Its project members made a targeted contribution towards strengthening the EU's fast and determined ability to act in possible crisis response operation scenarios.

In 2022, with the Strategic Compass, the EU member states decided to implement the new Rapid Deployment Capacity (EU RDC) by 2025, to develop Operational Scenarios and to derive operational force and capability requirements from these scenarios. EUFOR CROC, with its experience in scenario-based force sensing, supported EUMS in implementing new mechanisms and processes in order to create a comprehensive force/capability database for the EU RDC.



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CZ, HU, IE, SI



IDEATION INCUBATION EXECUTION CLOSING



Contribution to the more binding commitments Yes

OBJECTIVES/PRODUCTS

The PESCO project EUFOR CROC was designed in the spirit of a common rationale to enhance the force generation preparedness, the willingness and commitment of EU member states to act and engage in operations and missions.



Capability Perspective

EU CDP priorityNot Applicable

CARD referencesMain Battle Tanks
Focus Area

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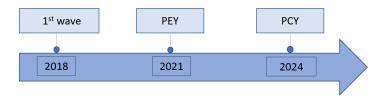
Operational Viewpoint

HICG Not Applicable



INDICATORS

Project Execution Year (PEY) and Project Completion Year (PCY):



DELIVERABLES ACHIEVED

- EUFOR CROC Implementation Study (2018/2019).
- Joint EUMS/EUFOR CROC food for thought paper on future opportunities of EUFOR CROC (May 2020).
- Force sensing test runs for the EUMS Military Rapid Response Register (2021/2022).
- Recommendation paper for the EUMS on how to improve "Force Sensing" in view of the implementation of the EUMS Advance Planning and the EU RDC Force Sensing (2022).
- Publication of the Project Closure Report (2023).

CRITERIA FOR SUCCESS (accomplished)

Establishment of an effective force sensing mechanism inside the EEAS/EUMS Advance Planning.