

CIVIL-MILITARY INTERACTION WORKSHOP
22-26 March 2010
Mt Macedon, Victoria

The Civil-Military Interaction Workshop is a partnership between the Asia Pacific Civil-Military Centre of Excellence and the Asia Pacific Centre for Military Law.

Workshop Objectives

This is a five day workshop intended for

- international and non-government organisation personnel,
- civilian police, emergency services, civil defence personnel,
- political officers and international policy personnel ,
- military operational planning staff, specialist civil-military interaction staff, information officers, military police and,
- medical and legal personnel, logistics planners and engineers.

The objective of the workshop is to equip participants with knowledge of the planning factors that are critical to the conduct of successful civil-military operations and to familiarise them with each other's perspectives, operating procedures, methods, limitations and advantages.

The workshop will discuss:

- the strategic rationale for civil-military interaction,
- place it in the context of the contemporary operating environment and,
- highlight the general principles that have emerged as relevant to the conduct of civil-military operations.

One of the key features will be an explanation of the legal framework within which civil-military interaction occurs including the international law that sets out civil-military obligations, rights and prohibitions and that impacts on how civil-military coordination is conducted. The workshop will deal with these matters from a practical perspective, providing suggestions as to how planning considerations can be managed.

The workshop will provide an opportunity for Australian Civilian and Military Personnel to engage with their civilian and military counterparts from the Asia Pacific Region for the benefit of future civil-military operations. The workshop panel consists of officers and civilian personnel from international, government and non-government organisations and ADF officers and regional military in approximately equal numbers.

Workshop Format

The CIMIW format consists of presentations followed by syndicate exercises designed to illuminate and consolidate matters raised during presentations.

Presentations are expected from:-

- NATO ,
- UN agencies,
- the International Committee of the Red Cross ,
- Australian Universities,
- AusAID,
- the ADF,
- APCMCOE
- APCML

Eligibility

Nominations are sought from suitable civilian and ADF personnel who are currently employed (or expect to be in the near future) in roles that contribute to the conduct of civil-military operations.

Funding

Accommodation and sustenance has been arranged, including Sun 21 March and will be funded by the APCMCOE.

Parent organisations need to fund travel to Tullamarine Airport Melbourne.

A bus will provide transport to and from Tullamarine on Sun 21 and Fri 26 Mar.

Nomination

Interested personnel should email

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Nominations close on 5 March 2010.