



Austrian Study Center
for Peace and Conflict
Resolution - ASPR

COURSE ON PEACEBUILDING

Supported by the Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports



From: The Austrian Study Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution (ASPR)

Re: Invitation to nominate representatives from relevant institutions to the Course on “Peacebuilding” sponsored by the Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports, and organised by the Austrian Study Centre for Peace and Conflict Resolution (ASPR) from 18-26 April 2009 at the premises of the ASPR in Stadtschlaining / Austria.

The upcoming Peacebuilding Course seeks to support relevant institutions of EU Member States, EU candidate countries and OSCE participating states in training experts from a wide range of professional and organisational backgrounds who are already involved or plan to become involved in planning and implementing Peacebuilding activities, either from their home base in governmental or non-governmental organisations or in a leading position in the field.

With this course on Peacebuilding experts from governments, civil society, police and military, the private sector, international institutions and agencies as well as international non-governmental organisations will be prepared and supported for their engagement in crisis prevention, crisis management, humanitarian aid and development cooperation.

➤ *For information about the Peacebuilding Course please turn to Appendix 1.*

Prerequisites for Participation

Nominees should have a background in working for governmental or non-governmental institutions engaged in crisis prevention, crisis management, humanitarian aid and development cooperation activities. As the course's working language is English, nominees must have a good command of the English language.

➤ *For further information concerning nomination of participants please turn to Appendix 2.*

Application of Participants

Nominating institutions are encouraged to take gender balance into consideration when selecting nominees. Nominees are requested to send their application for the Peacebuilding course **not later than 19 March 2009**.

➤ *For applications please use Appendix 3.*

Costs of Participation

The grant of the Austrian Ministry of Defence and Sports will cover all course related costs. Participants have to pay for their international travel as well as for full board accommodation in Hotel Burg Schlaining****.

As the programme foresees the participation of trainees from (post-)conflict areas, two scholarships for participants from non-OECD countries will be offered.

➤ *For further information on the costs of participation please turn to Appendix 2.*

Enclosure:

Appendix 1: Course Concept

Appendix 2: Information Note

Appendix 3: Application Form