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Invitation

Dear Rectors, (Rector-) Commandants, Superintendents, Deans, Officers-Commanding!

The question of this year's Theresan Military Academic Forum (TMAF) 2024 is "Are Manoeuvre Warfare And The Manoeuvrist Approach Dead?". The forum will take place in Wiener Neustadt from 7th - 10th October 2024.

The TMAF is a scientific symposium that seeks to further the transfer of knowledge and develop the necessary skills, responsibility, and autonomy inherent to a professional military education. The TMAF will include a general orientation and a cyber specialisation conceived to help military leaders prepare for future challenges. The TMAF aims to create awareness of the unique characteristics of military leadership as a precondition for teaching, knowledge acquisition, and the development of military-scientific capacities. Different perspectives and reflections on leadership serve to optimise the development of our graduates' required military leadership abilities, thus enabling them to face changing civilian and military environments.

We are honoured to invite a delegation from your home institution to this event. We believe that events such as the TMAF are important in imparting young officers and future graduates with comprehensive perspectives on military art and science. We wish to invite up to three participants from your institution (preferably a senior, a junior military lecturer/researcher, and a cadet) to participate as authors & speakers and/or active listeners in the forum. The call for papers for possible contributions ends on 28th April 2024. Please find the details in the attached annexes or on our homepage www.milak.at/en/tmaf2024 as well as www.emilyo.eu/node/878.

In addition to thematic discussions, numerous side events will be offered to promote, deepen, and broaden (military) cultural exchanges. The exact programme will be announced after the call for papers is completed. Transport to and from Vienna International Airport or Wiener Neustadt Railway Station to the Theresan Military Academy or the hotels will be provided. The suggested hotels are to be booked by the participants themselves. Catering will be provided against payment of the conference fee. Authors and speakers, as well as students of our partner institutions, will be accommodated and catered at our expense.

We kindly ask you to confirm your participation by submitting the completed registration form(s) by 9th August 2024 at the latest. The point of contact for TMAF is COL MOSER Michael, available by e-mail at michael.moser@bmlv.gv.at or by phone at +43 664 622 2368. I look forward to welcoming your delegation to Austria.

Yours sincerely,

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