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Lieutenant General Andrus Merilo,

It is my pleasure to confirm that Norway will host this year's European Orientation on Global Security (EOGS 2026). Launched by the Netherlands, Germany and France in 2022, EOGS brings together countries taking part in the Peace with Women Fellowship (PWWF), organised by the Halifax International Security, and intends to serve as the fellowship's European counterpart.

Convening senior female officers, EOGS strengthens the strategic solidarity between our countries, while also promoting of the role of women across the Armed Forces.

This year's edition of EOGS will take place in Norway between 29 November and 5 December 2026. The theme of this event is "The Arctic, - Nordic Countries in NATO and Defence Industry Cooperation".

The EOGS programme offers participants the opportunity to engage with a variety of Norwegian defence organizations and gain a better understanding of the military and defence-industry capabilities in a larger Nordic context. Further details and the programme will be shared in due time.

To contribute to the collective success of EOGS, you are invited to designate a participating female officer (OF-5 to OF-7) from any branch or profession of your armed services.

This year's programme will be delivered by the Norwegian Defence University College, and will mostly take place at Akershus fortress, in the city centre of Oslo.

Please feel free to send any questions and confirmation of attendees to Senior Executive Officer, Ellen Kolloen at [nduc@mil.no](mailto:nduc@mil.no).

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