



WORKSHOP ON EU DEFENCE AND SECURITY
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HOW TO FORGE A PEACE AND RIGHTS-BASED EU ANSWER TO SECURITY THREATS

Hosted by MEP Miguel Urban Crespo

This workshop will present the conclusions of three recent reports of the Centre for Peace Studies J.M. Delàs, addressing in particular EU funding for the defence sector, external borders control, and European arms exports; altogether these reports showcase the current trends of EU defence and security policies.

The reports' outcomes and other experts' contributions will be the basis for a discussion between civil society and political representatives on how to influence the current EU defence, security and migration policies and what an alternative peace and rights-based approach could be.

One-way translation from Spanish to English

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PROGRAMME

09:00 - Welcoming and introduction to the workshop: host MEP Miguel Urban (Podemos, GUE/NGL) and Centre Delàs

09:10 to 10:15 - Session 1: EU arms exports and their impact on conflicts

- 09:10 Why the EU Common Position cannot prevent problematic arms exports?
Hannah Neumann, Die Grünen, Greens/EFA
- 09:25 Impact of EU arms transfers to countries in conflict, Centre Delàs Report
Jordi Calvo, Researcher, Centre Delàs; IPB vice-president, GCOMS coordinator
- 09:45 Debate: Can EU arms exports be ethical?
(moderation by MEP Özlem Demirel, Die Linke, GUE/NGL)

10:15 to 11:20 - Session 2: Migration policies and militarisation of EU borders management

- 10:15 External border control systems and risks of human rights infringements
Ainhoa Ruiz, Researcher, Centre Delàs
- 10:35 EU migration policies in the next EU Multi-Financial Framework
Catherine Woollard, Director, European Council for Refugees and Exiles (ECRE)
- 10:50 Debate: How to advance a rights-based EU migration policy?
(moderation by MEP Miguel Urban, Podemos, GUE/NGL)
- 11:20 Coffee break

11:45 to 12:50 - Session 3: Is the EU still a peace-led project?

- 11:45 European Defence Fund and increasing military spending
*Laëtitia Sédou, EU Programme officer, ENAAT
& Quique Sánchez, Officer, Centre Delàs & Global Campaign On Military Spending*
- 12:05 EU added-value for non-violent alternatives
Clémence Buchet-Couzy, Peace Programme assistant, Quaker Council for European Affairs (QCEA)
- 12:20 Debate: How could the EU make a real difference for peace?
(moderation by MEP tbc)

12:50 - Closing remarks by host MEP Miguel Urban - Podemos, GUE/NGL

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