



## CSDP Mission Review Series



Breakfast Briefing with:  
**Lieutenant General Ton Van Osch**  
**Director General EU Military Staff**

*“Comprehensive Approach to Counter Piracy –  
the Role of the Military”*

**Tuesday, January 25<sup>th</sup> 2011, 8:00h - 9:00h**

Member's Salon of the European Parliament.  
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*Since 2003, the EU has undertaken more than 20 ESDP/CSDP missions. The experiences gained during these missions are routinely picked up within the Council structure through debriefings and “lessons learnt” exercise routine. However, such detailed and deeply informed input is less available for the European Parliament. In the light of the Parliament’s claim to provide the parliamentary oversight of CSDP, this series wants to contribute to more and better information for Members of the European Parliament.*

*Under the chairmanship of Michael Gahler MEP, with this series of Breakfast Briefings the ESRT will in the future focus on individual missions and invite returning force commanders/heads of mission of CSDP operations to provide first-hand accounts from the field. Therefore giving policy input for Members of the European Parliament and members of the ESRT, creating a balanced flow of information throughout the institutions. This briefing will take place with the Director General of the EU Military Staff, Lt. General Ton Van Osch and is intended to give insights on CSDP missions that counter piracy. Hereby the center of interest is rather to learn about general, structural and persistent challenges during counter piracy missions. In doing so, he will provide insight on proactive approaches of confronting, preventing and countering piracy.*

## Agenda

<b>8:00</b>	<b>Opening</b>
Welcoming	<b>Christoph Raab</b> , Director, European Security Round Table
Introduction	<b>Michael Gahler</b> , MEP, EPP Coordinator, Subcommittee on Security and Defence, European Parliament
Presentation	<b>Lt. General Ton Van Osch</b> , Director General, EU Military Staff (EUMS), Council of the European Union  Q&A
<p>The language of the meeting will be English. Participation is by invitation only and the Chatham House Rule will apply.</p>	

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