



# ARMY TRAINING AND DOCTRINE COMMAND TRAINING DIRECTORATE



## WHAT IS ISoDoMA?





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***WHAT IS ISoDoMA?.***



# **I**NTERNATIONAL **S**YMPOSIUM ON THE **D**EVELOPMENT OF **M**MILITARY **A**CADEMIES

**ISoDoMA IS AN INTERNATIONAL FORUM OF DEBATE DEALING WITH TOPICS RELATED TO DIFFERENT ASPECTS THE MILITARY ACADEMIES HAVE TO FACE, INCLUDING THEIR CADETS' TRAINING AND EDUCATION.**

**IN THIS FORUM MILITARY ACADEMIES TOGETHER WITH OFFICERS, PROFESSORS AND RESEARCHERS FROM DIFFERENT INSTITUTIONS RELATED TO MILITARY PEOPLE'S TRAINING WORLDWIDE ARE INVOLVED.**

<http://isodoma.org/>

<http://www.kma.ac.kr/>

<http://www.ejercito.mde.es/unidades/Zaragoza/agm/>



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## **I**NTERNATIONAL **S**YMPOSIUM ON THE **D**EVELOPMENT OF **M**MILITARY **A**CADEMIES

**ON MAY 2006 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES CLOSELY RELATED WITH THE SOUTH KOREAN MILITARY ACADEMY (SK, USA, FR, TU, GE, JA, AU, TH, SP) PARTICIPATED IN THE 13RD HWARANGDAE INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM UNDER THE TOPIC: “HOW MILITARY ACADEMIES HAVE CONTRIBUTED TO THE DEVELOPMENT OF THEIR COUNTRIES’ ARMED FORCES”.**

**THE PRESENT FORUM DEVELOPMENT IS BASED ON THE PREMISE THAT COOPERATION BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT MILITARY ACADEMIES IS NEEDED TO EXCEL.**

**SYMPOSIUM SUMMARY: MILITARY ACADEMIES AGREED THAT A MORE INTENSE COOPERATION BY MEANS OF REGULAR MEETINGS (EVERY TWO YEARS) SHOULD BE CARRIED OUT, AND ALSO THAT THE FIRST ONE SHOULD BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 2007 IN SOUTH KOREA AND THAT THE SOUTH KOREAN MILITARY ACADEMY WOULD BE THE INITIATOR OF THIS PROJECT.**



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**THE MAIN OBJECTIVES TO BE REACHED IN THE DIFFERENT SYMPOSIUMS ARE AS FOLLOWS:**

- **BUILDING AN INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION SYSTEM BETWEEN MILITARY ACADEMIES.**
- **CONCEIVING EXCHANGE AND COOPERATION PROGRAMS BETWEEN MILITARY ACADEMIES.**
- **EXCHANGING VALUABLE INFORMATION ABOUT PROGRESS IN MILITARY ACADEMIES.**



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# INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF MILITARY ACADEMIES

## MAIN TOPIC AND SCHEDULE.

THE MILITARY ACADEMY OF THE HOSTING COUNTRY SHALL ESTABLISH A SYMPOSIUM TOPIC RELATED TO “THE FIELD OF MILITARY RESEARCH AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF MILITARY ACADEMIES” AND INFORM THE PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES OF THE DETAILED SCHEDULE AND METHOD OF PROCEEDINGS

## PARTICIPANTS:

IN PRINCIPLE, THE PRESENTERS AND PANELIST ARE TO BE SELECTED FROM THE PROFESSORS OF THE PARTICIPATING MILITARY ACADEMIES. HOWEVER, CIVILIAN SCHOLARS MAY PARTICIPATE IN THE SYMPOSIUM IN ACCORDANCE TO THE CHARACTER OF THE SUBJECT.



## **SYMPOSIUM TO DATE**

### **2007: 1<sup>st</sup> ISoDoMA (SOUTH KOREA -KMA-)**

- MAIN TOPIC: *“THE CHANGING ENVIRONMENT OF FUTURE EDUCATIONAL INNOVATION FOR MILITARY ACADEMIES”*

### **2009: 2<sup>nd</sup> ISoDoMA (FRANCE -SAINT CYR-)**

- MAIN TOPIC : *“IRREGULAR WARFARE TRAINING FOR OFFICERS”*

### **2011: 3<sup>th</sup> ISoDoMA (COLOMBIA -ESMIC-)**

- MAIN TOPIC : *“CHALLENGES FOR MILITARY ACADEMIES IN THE TRAINING OF 21<sup>th</sup> CENTURY OFFICERS”*

### **2013: XVII HAWARNGDAE SYMPOSIUM (SOUTH COREA -KMA-)**

- MAIN TOPIC : *“LEADERSHIP FOR MILITARY OFFICERS, THEORIES, APLICATIONS AND NEW PERSPECTIVES”*



## ISoDoMA: PARTICIPATING COUNTRIES

COUNTRY	ISoDoMA Editions			KMA
	2007	2009	2011	2013
COREA	X	X	X	X
CHINA	X	X		
JAPAN	X	X		X
AUSTRALIA	X	X		
NEW ZEALAND	X	X		
THAILAND	X			
PHILLIPINES	X			
INDONESIA	X	X		
MALAYSIA		X		
SINGAPORE			X	
PAKISTAN		X		
QATAR		X		
LEBANON		X	X	
UAE				X
SAUDI ARABIA		X		X
TURKEY				X
EE.UU.	X		X	X
CANADA		X	X	X
ARGENTINA			X	
COLOMBIA		X	X	X
CHILE			X	
EL SALVADOR			X	
GUATEMALA			X	
HONDURAS			X	
VENEZUELA			X	

COUNTRY	ISoDoMA Editions			KMA
	2007	2009	2011	2013
PARAGUAY			X	
PERU			X	
REP.DOMINICANA			X	
BRASIL			X	
MEXICO			X	
ECUADOR			X	
URUGUAY			X	
FRANCE	X	X	X	
GERMANY	X	X		
HOLLAND	X	X		
SWEDEN	X	X		
UKRAINE	X			
ISRAEL	X			
DENMARK		X		
FYI MACEDONIA		X		
SWITZERLAND		X		
<b>SPAIN</b>			X	X
MOROCCO		X		
SOUTH AFRICA		X		
ALGERIA		X		
TUNISIA		X		
KENIA			X	
	<b>2007</b>	<b>2009</b>	<b>2011</b>	<b>2013</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>9</b>





# ISoDOMA ARTICLES



## I. Outline

### 1.1 Goal

By holding an international symposium in which military academies of countries around the world participate, we aim to contribute to the development of various aspects of the participating academies, including cadet education and training, by achieving the following:

- Building a system of international cooperation between military academies
- Devising cooperative exchange programs between military academies
- Exchanging valuable information on military academy development

### 1.2 Name

The name of the symposium shall be “International Symposium on the Development of Military Academies, abbreviated ISoDoMA.”

### 1.3 Date and Site

In principle, ISoDoMA shall be held at KMA every two years. However, if another country so desires, it may choose to host and set the date of the symposium, after attaining consent from other participant military academies.

### 1.4 Participants

Representatives, presenters, panelists, and observers (guiding persons, cadets) from the participating countries may partake in ISoDoMA.



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ACADEMIA GENERAL MILITAR  
General Director  
Zaragoza

Zaragoza, December 1<sup>st</sup>, 2014

XX General XXXXX XXXX XXX  
XXXX Military XXXXXAcademy  
XXXXXX Sreet nº  
(50090) (City), (Country)

Dear Sir,

The Spanish Academia General Militar (AGM), center where the Spanish army officers are educated and formed, is deeply pleased to announce that the 4<sup>th</sup> International Symposium on the Develop of Military Academies (ISoDoMA) will be held in Zaragoza city (Spain) from 20<sup>th</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> May, 2015.

ISoDoMA is an international meeting in which representatives of military academies around the world participate with the aims to bring together to analyze and discuss issues of common interest related to the processes of cadet education while providing the opportunity to strengthen ties and joint efforts.

Since the first meeting in 2007, the ISoDoMA's Symposium has contributed to promote the multinational cadets' education and training by improving cooperative exchanging programs, sharing knowledge and debating opinions with regard to current military academic development.

For this Symposium, I cordially invite you and your Officers, Professors and Schoolmasters to actively attend and take part in the international sessions. This year's main topic is:

*"Comprehensive Education for Officers to face New Security Challenges"*

I encourage you to appoint qualified personnel to deal with the different subjects your Academy might be interested in, following the spirit that drives this forum attendance. In the attached note the information about the event development and panels can be found.

Please, notify your staff to contact our project coordinator, Major José Risco, via e-mail at [jrissal@et.mde.es](mailto:jrissal@et.mde.es) and [agm-comunicacionsocial@et.mde.es](mailto:agm-comunicacionsocial@et.mde.es) to settle the basis for coordination.

We are looking forward to seeing you and your outstanding lecturers here at the AGM.

Yours sincerely,

Jerónimo de Gregorio y Monmeneu,  
Brigadier General of the Spanish Army  
Commandant of the Academia General Militar



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## Main Topic:

*“Comprehensive Education for Officers to Face New Security Challenges”*



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## Subtopics:

### PANEL 1

#### **FORMATIVE CHALLENGES FACING NEW SECURITY THREATS**

In addition to the traditional risks and threats we can add nowadays some new ones whose nature is generally transnational, which are interconnected and maximize their level of danger, at the same time as new open spaces that facilitate their expansion and impact appear. To the risk of armed conflicts, national emergencies or natural disasters and the threat of international terrorism we now add others such as cyber-threats, organized crime, energy vulnerability, irregular migratory flows or economic instability/turmoil. Moreover, the international community today is faced with other potentiating factors such as poverty, inequality, ideological extremisms, demographic imbalance, climate change or the generalization of the harmful use of new technologies, which may generate new risks themselves or multiply threats which are already recognized. These new trends call for the development of an officer training program that is able to prepare graduates who are ready to adapt to, and understand the implications of a rapidly changing international environment.

### PANEL 2

#### **TECHNICAL, SCIENTIFIC AND HUMANISTIC EXPERTISE: A STUDY OF DIFFERENT MODELS**

In all military training centers there is a combination of these three aspects to varying degrees. In this section the importance of each component in the training of future officers as well as the different ways to deal with this training will be discussed. This section also involves analyzing the systems in current use by the different Academies in order to provide this training as well as the relationship that each academy has with its respective country's mainstream education system. Questioned will be posed such as: Is university teaching provided in the Academy? Is it the civilian university itself or a military one who does so? Is it taught by civilian or military personnel? Is there a mainstream education system degree given in the Academy? and which degrees are taught in the different Academies? By answering these questions we can analyze and compare the wide array of strategies and experiences of every country on this issue.



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## PANEL 3

### **EDUCATION IN VALUES AND LEADERSHIP AS THE BASIS FOR QUALITY OFFICERSHIP**

This is the cornerstone in every officer's training. In this section the procedures the different Academies adopt for achieving academic excellence in such a fundamental aspect will be discussed. The new plans in the education of values and leadership, their integration in the students' plan of studies in addition to the experience of different countries in their implementation will be studied. The section will involve the contribution of new ideas and options to improve this critical facet of the training of officers who will have facing new challenges in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

## PANEL4

### **NEW TECHNOLOGIES APPLIED TO THE ACADEMIC SCOPE**

The environment in which future officers will have to carry out their work will be highly technical and as a such their training require the proper exposure to and experience with hi-tech military computerized models they will be expected to use in real situations. In this section different technological and support tools for the officers' training will be explored, so that an optimization in training at the lowest possible cost can be achieved as well as their familiarization with a technologically advanced operational environment.



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## Annex A ISODOMA 2015 GENERAL SCHEDULE FOR ACTIVITIES



MAY 2015				
TUESDAY 19 <sup>th</sup>	WEDNESDAY 20 <sup>th</sup>	THURSDAY 21 <sup>st</sup>	FRIDAY 22 <sup>nd</sup>	SATURDAY 23 <sup>rd</sup>
	PRESENTATION AT THE AGM (CREDENTIALS)	TRANSFERS AND WELCOME	TRANSFERS AND WELCOME	
	WELCOME			
TRIP DELEGATIONS INCORPORATION	OPENING CEREMONY (KEYNOTE SPEECH)	BOARD 2 (MORNING)	BOARD 4 (MORNING)	
DELEGATIONS ARRIVAL	ADMINISTRATIVE GUIDELINES	COFFEE BREAK	COFFEE BREAK	
WELCOME	MEETING SPEAKERS' COORDINATION	BOARD 3 (MORNING)	VISIT TO A MILITARY UNIT	TRANSFERS
	COFFEE BREAK	LUNCH	FAREWELL LUNCH	RETURN TRIP
TRANSFERS	AGM PRESENTATION TOUR AROUND THE AGM	FREE TIME	SHUTTLE TO HOTEL/MILITARY RESIDENCE	
	LUNCH	RECEPTION AT OFFICERS' CLUB (DRESS UNIFORM)	RETURN TRIP	
ACCOMMODATION	BOARD 1 (AFTERNOON)	SHUTTLE TO HOTEL/MILITARY RESIDENCE		
	SHUTTLE TO HOTEL/MILITARY RESIDENCE			
	CULTURAL SIGHTSEEING			



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**THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION**