



## **Centre for Security Cooperation**

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# Presentation Outline

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- History, current situation / status, members

## ➤ What RACVIAC does?

- Mission, programme

## ➤ How RACVIAC does it?

- MAG, Structure, Scope of Activities

## ➤ Support and Cooperation

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# What is RACVIAC - Historical Background

## The Beginning

- Established in Oct 2000 under WT 3 of the Stability Pact for SEE
- Initially a bilateral project between Germany and Croatia, dealing exclusively with arms control

Regional **A**rms **C**ontrol **V**erification **I**mplementation **A**ssistance **C**enter

## Evolution

- **2003** - Mission Expansion - Security Sector Reform
- **2005** - Mission Expansion - Defence Conversion
- **2007** - New RACVIAC - Centre for Security Cooperation
- **2010** - New Agreement on RACVIAC signed
- December **2011** – **New Agreement entered into force**

# What is RACVIAC - Members



## 9 MEMBERS

Albania  
Bosnia and Herzegovina  
Croatia  
Greece  
The Former Yugoslav  
Republic of Macedonia\*  
Montenegro  
Romania  
Serbia  
Turkey

## 14 ASSOCIATE MEMBERS

Austria  
Czech Republic  
Denmark  
France  
Germany  
Hungary  
Italy  
Netherlands  
Norway  
Russia  
Slovenia  
Spain  
Sweden  
United Kingdom

## 6 OBSERVERS

Canada  
Moldova  
Poland  
Slovakia  
Ukraine  
United States of America

\* Turkey recognizes the Republic of Macedonia with its constitutional name

## What RACVIAC does - Mission



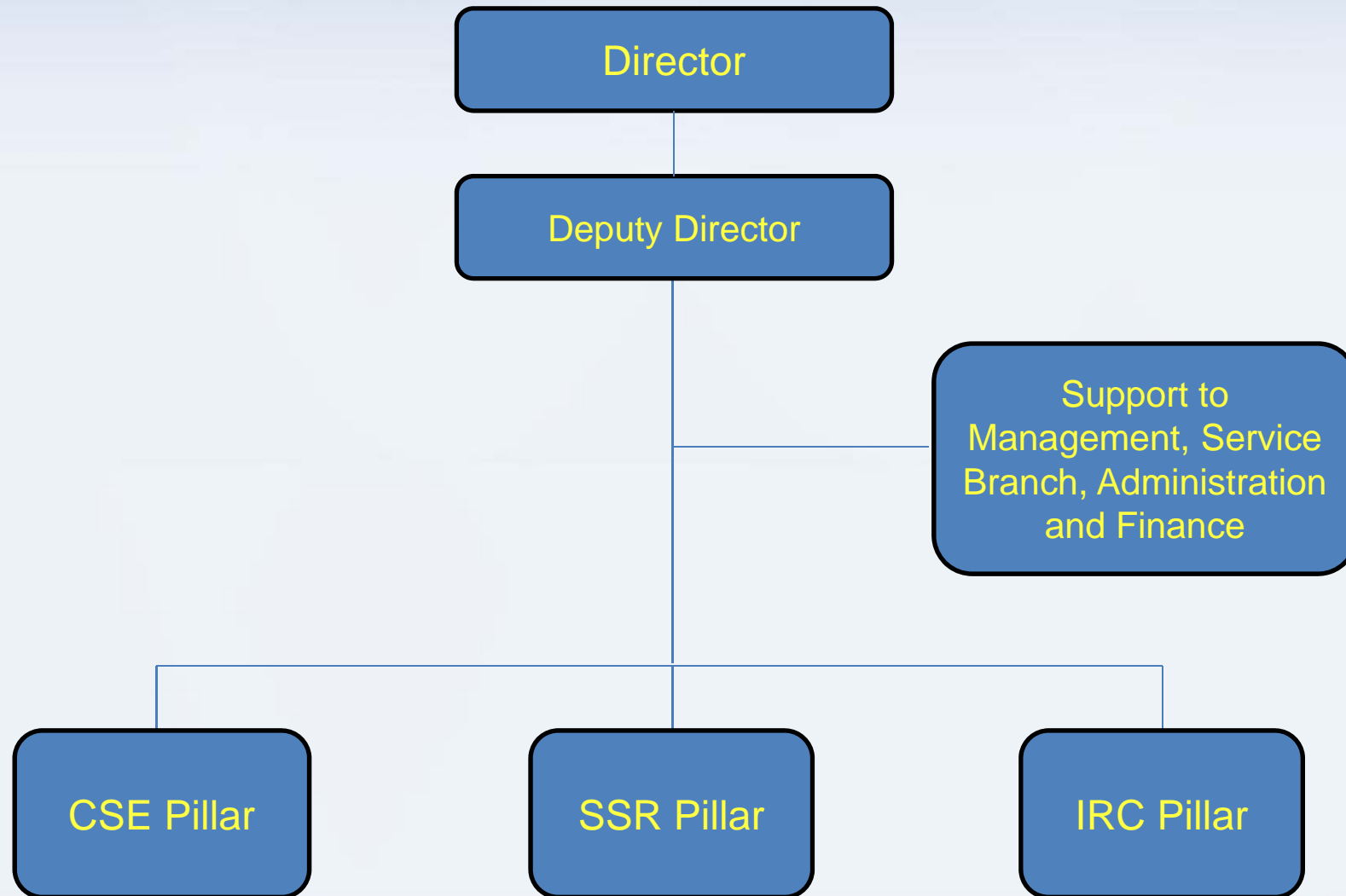
**TO FOSTER DIALOGUE AND COOPERATION  
ON SECURITY MATTERS IN SOUTH-EAST EUROPE  
THROUGH PARTNERSHIP  
BETWEEN THE MEMBERS AND  
THEIR INTERNATIONAL PARTNERS**

# How we do it – Multinational Advisory Group



MAG Chairperson Ms Vesna Batistic-Kos, HR, from November 2012

# How we do it – Structure



# How we do it – Scope of Activities



R A C V I A C

Cooperative  
Security  
Environment  
with focus on  
Arms Control  
Pillar  
(CSE)

Security  
Sector  
Reform  
Pillar  
(SSR)

International  
and Regional  
Cooperation  
with focus on  
Euro Atlantic  
Integration  
Pillar  
(IRC)



# What RACVIAC does - Programme 2013



Topic	Date
Border Management Capacity Building: The Facilitation of Common and Coordinated Measures in the Western Balkan Region	04-07 Feb
Basics of SSR: Defence Accountability in the Framework of CSDP	19-21 Feb
Vienna Document – Formation/Unit Commanders’ Course	03-08 Mar
SSR and Gender: Implementation of UNSCR 1325 and 1820	12-14 Mar
Chemical Weapons Convention Seminar	18-21 Mar
Guidelines on Implementation and Evaluation of Restrictive Measures in the Framework of the EU Common Foreign and Security Policy	26-28 Mar
Border Management Capacity Building: Title: Workshop on Early Warning Messages and Regional Risk Analysis	08-10 Apr
Spring MAG Meeting (12 Feb MAG POC)	15-16 Apr
Private Military Security Companies (PMSC) / National Security Sector	23-25 Apr
Search and Rescue (Joint Regional SAR Development)	23-25 Apr
Aspects and Challenges in the Public Defence Procurement	06-08 May
Advanced Research Workshop: Increasing National Cyber Resiliency: Political and Legal Instruments	07-09 May
Workshop on the Implementation of the Convention on Cluster Munitions	13-16 May

# What RACVIAC does - Programme 2013



Topic	Date
Workshop on Customs Procedures and Licensing Issuance: Integrating the National Processing of Dual Use Goods and Conventional Weapons through Information Sharing	01-03 Oct
Annual Meeting of Regional Parliamentary Defence and Security Committees	15-17 Oct
Regional Computer Emergency Response Teams Conference	16-18 Oct
Arms Control Symposium	22-24 Oct
Modern Civil Protection Systems and New Global Challenges (from 2012)	29-31 Oct TBD
Physical Security and Stockpile Management (PSSM) Course, Management Level	04-08 Nov
Search and Rescue (Joint Regional SAR Development)	11-13 Nov TBD
Ottawa Convention Seminar	18-21 Nov
Defence Resources Management: Strategic Procurement Issues and Scarce Resources	25-27 Nov
Border Management Capacity Building: "Meeting of the DCAF Working Group on Legal Reform"	02-06 Dec
Energy Security	09-11 Dec

# How we do it – Finances



targeted budget c €600,000.00

secured by  
Member States

**Operating part**



**Programme part**

secured by  
Associate Member  
States

# Support and Cooperation



# How we do it – Facilities



Hotel Rakitje \*\*\*  
High standard accommodation for 30+ people



Two Seminar Rooms  
for 50 participants



Restaurant with two  
dining facilities



- **RACVIAC Strategy 2012-2015 adopted in April 2011**
- **Longer-term planning in order to stabilize operation**
- **Adapt to an ever - changing security environment**
- **Expand the content and the scope of the existing programme of activities**
- **Explore new fields and ways of regional cooperation**



Thank You for Your attention!