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- A NATO EOD COE Program of Work 2025
 - B. DAT POW Funding Confirmation Letter for EOD Technical Demonstrations & Trials 2025
 - C. Save the Date Letter for NATO EOD Demonstrations and Trials 2025, dated 23 October 2024
- TO: See the distribution list

SUBJECT: Calling Letter for NATO EOD Demonstrations and Trials 2025 event

- DATE: 14 March 2025
 - With great pleasure the NATO Explosive Ordnance Disposal Centre of Excellence (NATO EOD COE) invites all military, industry, academia, NGOs and subject matter experts <u>from NATO countries, and NATO's partnership countries</u> (Partnership for Peace, The Mediterranean Dialogue, Istanbul Cooperation Initiative and Partners across the globe) operating within the EOD, C-IED and Military Engineering area to attend

NATO EOD Demonstrations and Trials 2025 to be held at the Incheba Expo, Bratislava from 08-09 October 2025

- 2. The leading theme of NATO EOD Demonstrations and Trials 2025 (D&T25) is **"EOD** in NATO Multi-Domain Operations" as a challenge for EOD/IEDD experts, scientists, producers, industry and SMEs involved in the fight against terrorism. Bringing together the operational requirements, armaments and technological EOD-related entities from NATO and partner nations is considered a regular need for CNAD DAT POW to create solutions/ways ahead and to transfer them into reality.
- 3. D&T25 is co-sponsored by NATO Headquarters (HQ) Innovation, Hybrid and Cyber (IHC) Division as well as meeting great support from the Ministry of Defence of the Slovak Republic.
- 4. The classification of the event is NATO UNCLASSIFIED.
- 5. The **exhibition** has been extended to **two days** in order to bring more opportunities for visitors and producers to tighten mutual bonds and conduct proper networking. What is more, procurement personnel/custodians will have a vast opportunity to take a closer look at the industry's offers in relation to their needs.
- 6. D&T25 delivers a platform for producers to **live-demonstrate** their best products in action. This creates a unique occasion to depict the robust features of the presented

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equipment and attract potential clients. h addition, clustered SMEs may update their knowledge pertaining to proposed disruptive technologies.

- 7. The aim of the **conference** during D&T25 is to give a deep insight into the modern technologies that could improve EOD and combat sappers' tasks execution in permissive and non-permissive environments. That could comprise any ongoing mission and undertaking led by the military, NGOs and domestic institutions to mitigate the threat emanating from terrorism, local armed conflicts and crisis situations.
- 8. A Draft Agenda is attached in Annex A. The possible changes to the current draft will be updated accordingly and published on the website prior to D&T25.

https://eodcoe.events/event-3/

- 9. Administrative instructions can be found in Annex B.
- 10. Registration process via NATO EOD COE official website (<u>www.eodcoe.org</u>) upon completion of **Registration Form.** More information can be found in Annex B.
- 11. Should you have any questions, please contact directly the EOD COE Points of Contact:

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ANNEXES:

- A. Draft Agenda.
- B. Administrative information.

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ANNEX A

DRAFT AGENDA

07 October	
09:00 - 18:00	Registration for exhibitors, booths assembly
08 October	
08:00- 15:30	Registration on-site
09.00 - 16.00	Static Exhibition
10.00 - 10.30	Opening ceremony
11.00-16.00	Live demonstrations
12.15-13.30	Hosted Lunch for VIPs
16:00	End of Static Exhibition and Live demonstrations
16.30 - 18.00	Reception for VIPs
09 October	
08:00 - 15:30	Registration on-site
09.00 -17.00	Static Exhibition
08:55 - 09:00	Conference Opening
09.00 - 10.30	<u>Conference Block I</u> "Threats identified from current conflicts and their influence on training procedures, tactics and military requirements"
10.30-11.00	Coffee break
11.00-12.30	<u>Conference Block I</u> "Threats identified from current conflicts and their influence on trainina <u>r</u> ,rocedures, tactics and military requirements"
12.30 - 13.30	Hosted Lunch
13.30 - 15.00	<u>Conference Block I</u> "New technologies as a response to modern warfare identified threats and military requirements"
15.00 - 15.30	Coffee break
15.30 - 17.00	<u>Conference Block I</u> "New technologies as a response to modern warfare identified threats and military requirements"
17.00 - 17:05	Conference closing remarks
17:00	End of Static Exhibition

ANNEX B

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

1. VENUE LOCATION

Address:

Incheba, Expo Viedenska cesta 7 851 01 Bratislava Website: https://www.incheba.skien/

2 **REGISTRATION**

- a) **for the exhibitors** starts on the ^{14th} of April 2025 and finishes on the **28th of August 2025.** The number of booths and area is limited, so first come, first served principle will be applied. Thus, don't make any travel arrangements until your participation and booth allocation is confirmed.
- b) for the visitors starts on the ^{14th} of April 2025 and finishes on the **28th of August 2025**;
- c) every attendant will be notified about his/her participation approval in a separate email.
- d) There is no possibility for NATO EOD COE or Incheba Expo to store equipment or material before 07 OCT 2025 and no longer than 09 OCT 2025.
- e) All customs and shipping related issues are the full responsibility of participating companies and NATO EOD COE/Incheba Expo will not be involved in any tax exemptions or movement *I* transportation of any goods or services regardless of the regions they are coming from.
- f) NATO EOD COE will not be responsible for any damage and loss which may occur to the systems, equipment and personnel during the transportation of material/equipment, during the exhibition and during the dismantlement after the event is closed.
- g) Exhibited equipment and material security fall under the responsibility of the participating companies.

3. SECURITY

The classification of the seminar is **NATO UNCLASSIFIED Releasable to NATO's Partnership Countries.** Essential security rules will be applied (no guns, weapons, and other hazardous stuff are allowed).

4. ACCOMMODATION

The accommodation in Bratislava is the responsibility of the participants. Information on recommended hotels in the city of Bratislava will be posted on the EOD COE webpage <u>https://eodcoe.events/event-3/</u> NATO EOD COE will not provide visitors/exhibitors with promocode or discount.

5. LIVE DEMONSTRATIONS

- a) Organizer will not provide any props for live demonstrations.
- b) Any required props can be granted by the Incheba Expo, via POC (CPT Radek MICHALKA). Be informed that Incheba Expo may charge for any material delivery.
- c) PowerPoint presentation can be delivered to the audience on a screen 6x4 m at the presenter's discretion.

6. CONFERENCE

According to the Draft Agenda in Annexe A, a two-block conference is planned to be delivered.

- a) Block I "Threats identified from current conflicts and their influence on training procedures, tactics and military requirements" is intended to introduce Multi Domain Operation (MOO) concept and the role of EOD within it as well as to focus on:
 - Introducing MOO concept and its challenges
 - Land Mass UXO clearance and disposal
 - Air EOD in ROW (remotely operated vehicle) warfare
 - Maritime Subsurface clearance
 - Space Satellite mapping
 - Cyberspace How do we balance the need to disrupt signals (C-IED) against the need to stay hidden (not constantly jamming so we don't have a huge EMR signature)

Block leader: CPT Simon BRIGANT (SVK), E-mail: <u>pcds.head@eodcoe.org</u>: Mobile: +421 911710861.

b) Block II - "New technologies as a response to modern warfare identified threats and military requirements" with its main focus on:

- Al-enabled drones are being used for rapid identification of unexploded ordnance (UXO) hazards.
- Unmanned systems, including drones and autonomous robotics, provide effective solutions for explosive ordnance disposal (EOD) procedures on land and underwater.
- Innovative technological solutions, such as Al, blockchain, virtual reality (VR), extended reality (XR), and simulations, are being developed to enhance training in this field.
- Additionally, new Electronic Warfare (EW) solutions are emerging to address current threats.
- Manufacturing plays a crucial role in supporting EOD tasks, utilizing tools e.g. 30 printing, 30 scanning, and simulations.

Block leader: LTC Alexander HUGYAR (SVK), E-mail: <u>alexander.hugyar@eodcoe.org;</u> Mobile: +421 911 710 862.

The NATO EOD COE invites potential **speakers** to contact block leaders and provide them with the necessary information:

- a) topic of the presentation,
- b) abstract of the presentation,
- c) required time for a brief.

7. TRAVEL

- a) Transport of participants from/to hotels to the Incheba Expo area is the responsibility of visitors.
- b) Public transport in Bratislava

All necessary information concerning means of communication in Bratislava can be found here - <u>https://www.bratislava-slovakia.eu/about/public-transport</u>

c) Ways of transportation from Vienna airport (Austria) to Bratislava:

Rental car:

- <u>www.europcar.com</u>,
- <u>https://www.kayak.ie/cars</u>
- <u>https://www.rentalcars.com/en/</u>

Bus:

- <u>https://global.flixbus.com/bus-routes/bus-vienna-airport-bratislava</u>
 15 euros
- <u>https://www.omio.com/buses/vienna-airport-vie/bratislava</u> 8-9 euros

Train:

- <u>https://www.thetrainline.com/en/train-times/vienna-airport-to-bratislava-hl-st</u> approx. 20 euros
- <u>https://www.omio.com/trains/vienna-international-airport/bratislava-egh8q</u> approx. 17 euros

Taxi:

- prices may vary depending on the number of passengers, type of car and time of service delivery:

- <u>https://vienna-bratislava-taxi.com/price-list/</u> 65-85 euros
- <u>https://bratislava-airport-taxi.com/</u> 70 euros
- <u>https://city-airport-taxis.com/airporttransfers/reservations/taxi-from-</u> <u>Vienna-Airport-to-Bratislava-Airport</u> - 67-91 euros
- d) For the VIPs, it is possible to provide transportation by NATO EOD COE means from Vienna Airport to Bratislava upon written request.

8. DRESS CODE

All participants are kindly asked to comply with the proposed dress code at their discretion:

- a) 08.10.2025:
 - military and other services class A uniform/business (tie, jacket),
 - others business (tie, jacket).
- b) 09.10.2025:
 - military and other services class B uniform/smart casual,

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- others - smart casual.

9. MEALS

- a) During both days of the event, the refreshments will be delivered inside the Expo Hall.
- b) On-site, Incheba restaurant will provide services for attendees during the event. Lunch price is expected between 10 - 15 €.
- c) Exhibitors are kindly requested to appoint one representative to participate in a hosted lunches and evening reception on 08 October 2025.

10.PAYMENT N SLOVAKIA

The currency in Slovakia is Euro (€). It is recommended to exchange money at the airport or at exchange offices in Bratislava. International credit cards are accepted in most hotels and restaurants.

11. EMERGENCY SERVICES

All emergency services (police, fire, medical) are available by dialling directly: Emergency - 112, Fire Brigade - 150, Ambulance 155, Police - 158.

12. CONFERENCE FEE

No conference fee will be charged.

13. REGISTRATION AND IN-PROCESSING VENUE

The registration point will be located at the main building of Incheba Expo and operational from 08:00 on 08 and 09 October 2025. IOT avoid queueing and long waiting time, attendees are asked to utilize the registration point at Incheba Expo since opening and come well in advance.



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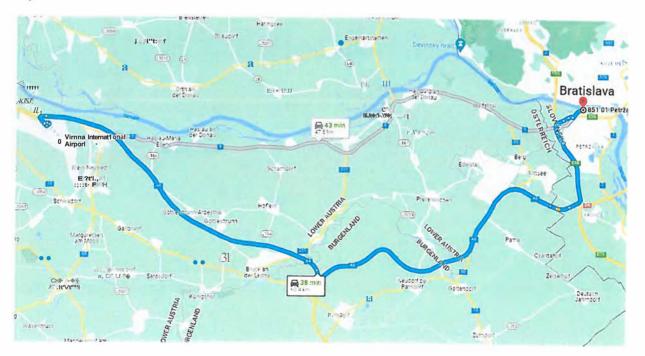
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From Vienna Airport to Bratislava:

By Car:

14.MAPS

Incheba Expo location

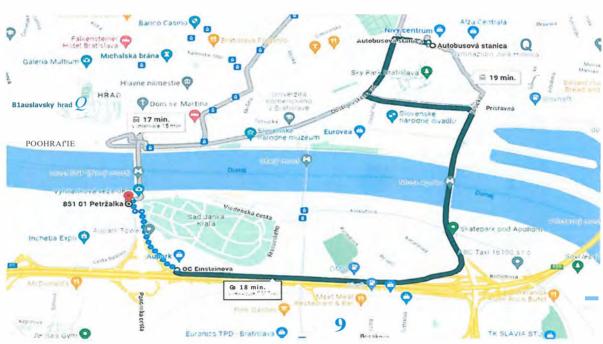


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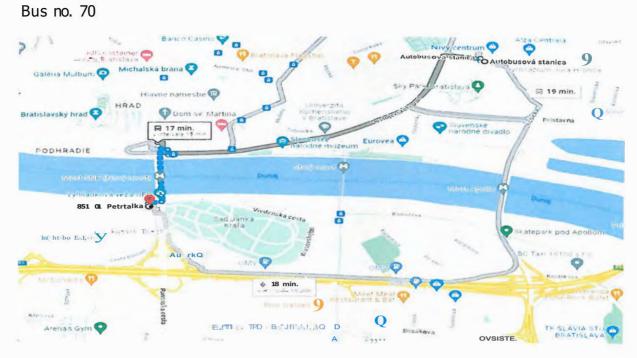
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From Bus Station Bratislava to Incheba:



Bus no. 50



From Railway station Bratislava to Incheba:

Bus no. 80



Bus no. 91, 93, 94



15. TOURIST ATTRACTIONS

To find out more about tourist attractions in Bratislava, please, visit https://www.visitbratislava.com/top-10-in-bratislava/