



The Coalition Warrior Interoperability eXploration, eXperimentation and eXamination, eXercise (CWIX) recently completed the 2013 Initial Planning Conference (IPC) in Warnemuende, Germany (Hotel Neptun) from 5-8 November 2012.

CWIX is an annual NATO Military Committee approved event aimed at improving interoperability for the Alliance. Allied Command Transformation (ACT) provides guidelines and management to the programme, while NATO and Partner Nations sponsor interoperability capabilities with specific objectives.

"The IPC is crucial to the process," said CWIX Deputy Director, Mr Kell Hvolbol. "This is the first of three conferences where ACT's Capability Development (CAPDEV) Division will lead the charge while engineers and operators from National and NATO Commands coordinate, explore, deliberate and plan interoperability tests."

Five NATO commands/agencies and seventeen countries attended the IPC. Bulgaria, Canada, Denmark, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, the Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Turkey, United Kingdom, United States, Austria, Finland, and Sweden participated in the Communication and Information System (CIS) interoperability test planning.

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CWIX focuses on the short term needs of the operational Commanders as well as providing an opportunity for emerging future technologies to test with NATO and National fielded capabilities.

"We encourage those interested to plan now to join the CWIX community at the upcoming conferences," said CWIX Director, Commander Knut Behrends. "This year promises to be a very exciting year for development".

The next two CWIX 2013 conferences are scheduled for 29 Jan – 1 Feb 2013 in Slagelse, Denmark followed by 12-15 March 2013 in Bydgoszcz, Poland. The execution period is scheduled for 3 -20 June 2013 at the Joint Force Training Centre, Bydgoszcz, Poland.

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