

NATO Allied Command Transformation Joint Force Development Experimentation & Wargaming

Branch Fact Sheet – Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Course

Background: NATO Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) was introduced as a vehicle for

NATO transformation in 2003. Over the years, National representatives recognized the importance of CD&E and requested formal training for staff members assigned to CD&E posts. Allied Command Transformation, in coordination with NATO School Oberammergau (NSO), developed education and training for NATO military and civilian personnel assigned

to NATO CD&E positions and organisations such as NATO Centres of Excellence.

Aim: The bi-annual CD&E course provides students an introduction to NATO's concept

development, experimentation structure, and CD&E processes. Prior to COVID, the course was offered twice a year in May (HQ SACT, USA) and October (NSO, DEU). Course offerings may be adjusted or cancelled in 2022. Please visit the NSO webpage at

www.natoschool.nato.int for information on 2022 course offerings.

WDI: The Concept Development and Experimentation (CD&E) Course aligns under Allied

Command Transformation Warfare Development Imperative (WDI) - Cognitive Superiority, Layered Resilience, Influence and Power Projection, Cross-Domain Command, and

Integrated Multi-Domain Defence

Category: Core Business

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Experimentation & Wargaming Branch

EWB: JFD EWB delivers transformation to the Alliance through the conduct of experiments and

wargames. Visit www.act.nato.int/ewb-pressroom for more information, or visit us online

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