



## NATO Allied Command Transformation

### Joint Force Development Experimentation & Wargaming

### Branch Fact Sheet – Gender Perspective (GP) in NATO's Core Task Collective Defence

- Background:** Following the changing security environment in Europe, states have become more concerned with national, regional and collective defence. NATO is currently strengthening its deterrence and defence posture, including a renewed focus on its core task Collective Defence. Member states and partners are also transforming their national defence postures by increasing military spending, engaging in large-scale exercises and preparing their societies for different kinds of conflict. It is already widely known that Gender Perspective is a valuable capability to achieve military and political objectives when operating in contexts vastly different from developed states e.g. Afghanistan. Little or no attention has been given to thinking about the Gender Perspective when operating in our own environment, which is why there is limited knowledge on that area resulting in a serious knowledge gap that needs to be addressed and prioritised. By experimenting on Gender Perspective in collective Defence exercises NATO will be able to adequately prepare, equip, train and support its interoperable forces to undertake the alliance collective defence missions and protect its citizens. This experiment will be integrated into Exercise LOYAL LEDA 2022.
- Aim:** The aim of the experiment is to raise awareness among NATO Command structure and NATO Force Structure on integrating Gender Perspective and increase their ability of applying gender in their daily task preparing for Collective Defence Missions. This will be accomplished by exposing the training audience in the exercise to situations specific to Collective Defence operations and that requires taking a Gender Perspective into account.
- WDI:** Gender Perspective in NATO's Core Task Collective Defence aligns under Allied Command Transformation Warfare Development Imperative (WDI) – Layered Resilience.
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