

EURODEFENSE Observatories

Protocols/Code of Practice

1. The object of Observatories is to inform and to promote the knowledge base contained within EURODEFENSE.
2. The mandate of each Observatory is subject to endorsement by the Presidents' Council.
3. Observatories do not define policy positions for EURODEFENSE (ED) nor communicate findings to the EU Commission without the consent of the Presidents' Council.
4. The Presidents Council may convert Working Groups into Observatories so that they can continue to monitor developments in their specific fields of interest.
5. Observatories will provide a brief written report to be included in the papers issued in advance of each Presidents' Council.
6. At least 2 ED chapters must be include in each Observatory, and all chapters must be offered the opportunity to participate in each one.
7. Individual members of ED chapters are encouraged to share their domain expertise with Observatories even if they do not take an active part in them. (Eminence Gris)
8. Observatories will general carry out their co-ordination by electronic means (teleconference, email etc)
9. Observatories are free to organise their work in any way they consider appropriate, but would generally be expected to have a chair/president and a rapporteur, who is responsible for organisation and ensuring that the Presidents' Council is kept informed.
10. Copyright in reports and articles will remain with the authors.
11. Authors are encouraged to publicise their work through offering for publication in the newsletter produced by ED-FR; the ED website; and externally eg academia.edu
12. Individual members of ED are at liberty to work together on matters of mutual interest.

APPENDIX February 2021

The following Observatories, converted from Working Groups, have been endorsed by the Presidents' Council

EWG5 – Space

EWG17 – Cyber

EWG20 – Russia

EWG25 – Arctic

EWG – Mediterranean/MENA

The following Observatories are proposed but do not yet have an approved mandate

31 - China