

## INTERNATIONAL SCIENTIFIC SEMINAR "EFFECTS OF THE PANDEMIC ON INTERNATIONAL SECURITY"

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The Centre for Defence Security and Strategic Studies (CDSSS) organized in May, online, the International Seminar on the "*Effects of the pandemic on international security*".

The scientific event was attended by participants from the Romanian Government, NATO International Staff, the Ministry of National Defence and the Ministry of Internal Affairs, experts from NATO centres of excellence, academia and researchers from Romania, Bulgaria, Poland and Hungary. Thus, the event's international scientific character has been fully achieved, which established the major common concern for security at national and regional level, as well as the interest for international and inter-institutional cooperation development at allied level.

The topics discussed at the seminar were specific to security and defence field, with the main issues addressed referring to the effects due to the COVID-19 pandemic on the security environment, the measures effectiveness to limit the pandemic effects implemented at the state level, as well as international institutions and organizations – NATO and the EU. Hereinafter, we present the topics presented and the speakers' affiliation:

- "Armed Forces role in implementing measures to mitigate the pandemic effects"-Lieutenant-Colonel Nikolay PARVANOV, Planning & Projects Section Head, Crisis Management and Disaster Response Centre of Excellence, Bulgaria;

- "Impact of COVID-19 pandemic on Romanian Air Force" – Lieutenant-Colonel Gabriel GOAGĂ, Romanian Air Force HQ, Ministry of National Defence;

- "GIES role in COVID-19 pandemic management in Romania"-Major Adrian TICU, Head of the National Operational Centre, Emergency Management System, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Romania;

- "The EU's policies and strategies for dealing with the COVID-19 crisis" – Şerban CIOCULESCU, PhD, Researcher, Institute for Political Studies of Defence and Military History, Ministry of National Defence, Romania;

- "The evolution of the education system. NATO DEEP programme context" -Danuta PIETRASZKIEWICZ, Deputy Director, NATO HQ, Defence Education



Enhancement Programme (DEEP) e-Academy;

- "How NATO has adapted its defence capacity building for partners due to the COVID-19 pandemic: The case of the Defence Education Enhancement Programme" – Pavel ANASTASOV, NATO HQ, International Staff, Defence Education Enhancement Programme (DEEP) Coordinator;

- "Some thoughts on the global impact of COVID-19"-Colonel László UJHÁZY, PhD, Associate Professor, National University of Public Service (NUPS), Hungary;

- "COVID-19 crisis management in Hungary - lessons learnt" – Tamás CSIKI, PhD, Centre for Strategic and Defence Studies, Budapest, Hungary.



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The scientific event has achieved its main objective of carrying out, in an appropriate scientific framework, an exchange of ideas and experiences in good governance, concerning, on one hand, the effects that the COVID-19 pandemic had on the security environment, and on the other hand, the effectiveness of countermeasures taken at the level of organizations, such as NATO and the EU, but also at the Member States level.

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