



DDR

DISARMAMENT, DEMOBILIZATION AND REINTEGRATION PLANNING COURSE

COURSE PURPOSE

The DDR Planning course enables the participants to effectively take part in the planning and preparation phase of a present or future DDR program. The course program is based on the United Nations Integrated Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration Standards (IDDRS), as well as practitioners' best practices. The course is not intended as an introduction to DDR but rather as a continuation of existing introductory courses.

Target audience

Military and civilian personnel working in, or deploying to DDR missions and programme. This will include DDR planning officers, military and police officers, staff of national DDR commissions or relevant ministries, NGOs and civil society organizations. Previous experience of and basic knowledge on DDR is mandatory for admission to the course .

Rank level: Major (OF3) – Colonel (OF5), or equivalent police/civilian level.

Performance objectives

After the course, students will be able to:

- Given a scenario for a specific UN mission, implement the DDR concept in an integrated, gender-responsive DDR programme that responds to the needs of ex-combatants, families and receiving communities.
- Given the reference documents, assess a new DDR programme according to the DDR concept.
- Given a UN Security Council Mandate and a Concept of Operations (CONOPS) for a mission, estimate human, logistical and financial operational requirements for a DDR programme.

Method

This course will be conducted through a combination of presentations, videos, syndicate discussions and scenario exercises. Facilitators will present and discuss with the participants. Syndicate groups will solve scenario-based problems and present solutions to the plenary. The syndicates will be mixed in order to prepare the students for the work in an integrated UN-mission. The course language is English.

References

- Integrated Disarmament, Demobilizations and Reintegration Standards.(IDDRS): www.unddr.org
- Operational Guide to DDR: www.unddr.org

Student Assessment

The participants' learning will be assessed by mentors during the course. Students are expected to take active part in lectures and syndicate discussion. This means asking questions, presenting own standpoints and showing a willingness to explain them to fellow students. Mentor assessment will result in the grades "Successfully Completed" or "Participated". Participants are awarded a Course Certificate at the end of the course.