



EU Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Consortium

*Promoting the European network of independent
non-proliferation and disarmament think tanks*



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Vienna Center for Disarmament
and Non-Proliferation

YWNGI event:

Security, Nuclear Weapons and the Impact of the War in Ukraine

The EUNPD Consortium and its engagement with the Next Generation

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What is the Consortium?

- In July 2010 Council Decision 2010/430/CFSP established “*a European network of independent non-proliferation think tanks in support of the implementation of the European Union strategy against Proliferation of Weapons of Mass Destruction*”.
- A network bringing together foreign policy institutions and research centers from across the EU to encourage political and security-related dialogue and the long-term discussion of measures to combat the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction (WMD) and their delivery systems.

What is the Consortium?



The Network



A network created in

2010



Number of EUNPDC network members

102

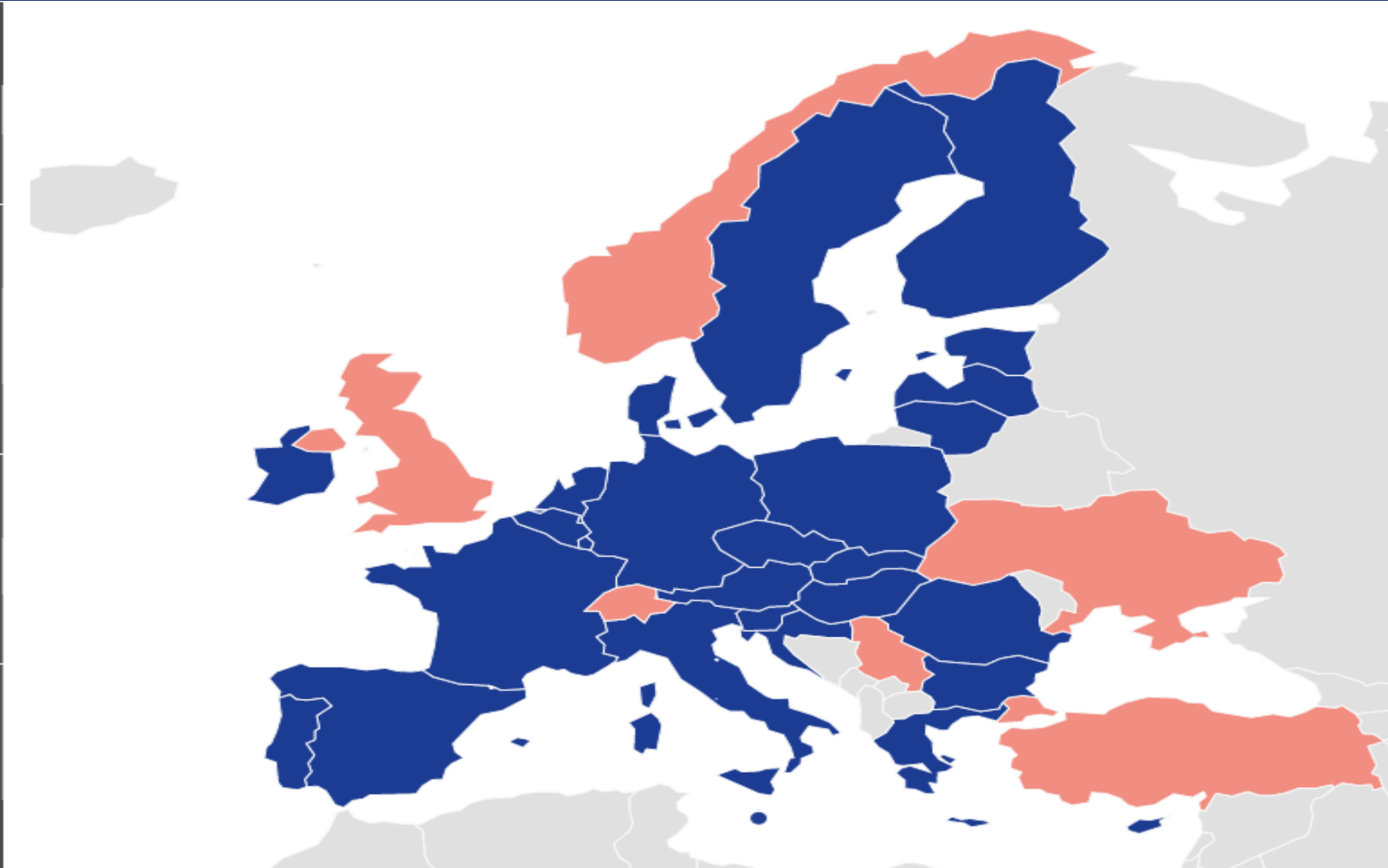


All 27

EU member states are represented



Some network members also come from partner countries such as Switzerland, Turkey, Ukraine and the United Kingdom



Mission and activities

- **The main aim of the network of independent non-proliferation and disarmament think tanks is to encourage discussion of measures to combat the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction and their delivery systems within civil society, particularly among experts, researchers and academics.**
- **The aim of the network is to enhance the awareness in third countries of the challenges related to WMD and conventional weapons proliferation through activities such as dedicated education and outreach projects.**
- **To that end, the Consortium may establish cooperation with specialized institutions and research centers in third countries, in particular in those with which the EU is conducting specific non-proliferation dialogues.**

Mission and activities

- The Consortium works through the organization of expert meetings, international conferences, ad hoc seminars and consultative meetings with representatives of EU institutions.
- In particular, one of the flagship events of the project, the Annual Conference, has raised awareness over the years about the EU Strategy against the proliferation of WMD and the EU Strategy to combat illicit accumulation and trafficking of SALW and their ammunition, and associated implementation efforts by the EU.
- In addition, the Consortium provides *ad-hoc* expertise through reports, recommendations and policy papers to the office of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy.
- It also produces publications on the full range of non-proliferation and disarmament issues, including both conventional and non-conventional arms.
- Finally, the Consortium provides relevant e-learning courses, internships, proliferation awareness training for specialists in natural sciences and other relevant fields and arranges annual study visits to Brussels for the participants in the UN Programme of Fellowships on Disarmament.

The Next Generation Initiatives

- **Next Generation Workshop**
- **EU Non-Proliferation and Disarmament Internships**
- **Next Generation Papers**
- **eLearning Course on Non-proliferation, Disarmament and EU Policies**
- **Proliferation Awareness Courses**

- For further information about these initiatives please visit the following links:
- <https://www.nonproliferation.eu/activities/education-programmes/>
- <https://www.nonproliferation.eu/activities/international-conferences/next-generation-workshop/>
- <https://www.nonproliferation.eu/activities/online-publishing/next-generation-papers/>

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