

NATO Maritime Interdiction Operational Training Center

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Maritime Interdiction Operations in a Non Permissive Environment (Anti / Counter Piracy and non Consensus Boarding Operations)

The NATO Maritime Operational Training Center organizes the First Annual Conference where a number of significant speakers from Academia and Military Organizations will present their views on the topic. The participants, coming from the civilian and military Maritime community as well as other relevant domains are expected to contribute to the achievement of the Conference Objectives.

The aim of the conference is to:

- Examine the conceptual, legal and operational parameters of MIO related Operations (including WMD and piracy), when compliance is not given.

Objectives:

- Examine the level of political will to deal with current challenges in the maritime environment.
- Describe the legal framework governing interaction between State Forces and non state actors involved (companies, crew). Examine impact on operations.
- Discuss the Force requirements in terms of composition and capabilities for the employment in MIOps in a non permissive environment. Include support needed/ available from shore based entities (Intel Fusion Centers , CBRN Battalion, etc).
- Reveal impact of lack of common TTPS on operational effectiveness.
- Highlight the importance of adequate intelligence and situational awareness at all levels of the decision making process. Present latest developments in MSA in support of MIOs.
- Highlight uncertainties and difficulties that the BT members face onboard a suspect vessel. Describe of the "ideal boarding conditions" and identify capabilities.
- Propose ways to minimize risks imposed by the 'gray areas' between compliance and non compliance or opposition of a vessel, to accept inspection.
- Present case studies and lessons learned.
- Provide proposals for adjustments in Education and Training to cover identified gaps.



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