



FOLKE BERNADOTTE ACADEMY

COURSES & ACTIVITIES 2007



WORDS OF WELCOME

Distinguished Reader, wherever you are, out there,

This brochure wishes to update you on the Folke Bernadotte Academy's, or the FBA's, or "Folke's" various activities in 2007 – the courses, the seminars, the publications, the coordination meetings and all the rest. Additional activities within all FBA branches will, unavoidably, be added along the road, reflecting the course of events at the various levels of national and international cooperation. An updated programme, with the latest news, is always available on our website. The present catalogue will nonetheless, I trust, give you sufficient and relevant guidance. As before, we seek to establish a sound balance between continuity and innovation, freshness and stable routine.

2007 will be the year when the Folke Bernadotte Academy is celebrating its 5th anniversary. 2006 was the year when, among other things, the FBA's new premises at Sandö were inaugurated by HM the King of Sweden, Carl XVI Gustaf Bernadotte, and other interested celebrities, while its Stockholm office was being further developed at the (also) new premises of the National Defence College and the Swedish Institute of International Affairs, creating a great synergy potential. 2006 was also the intense year when the FBA and its partners in the Challenges Project presented an important report to the UN Secretary-General and hosted a "Fundamental Principles of

Peacekeeping" workshop together with the United Nations Department of Peacekeeping Operations. The Academy also organized a conflict prevention seminar with the United Nations Department of Political Affairs, carried out many activities under the EU hatting, published several reports and expanded considerably its research related work, to mention a few key activities and events. In 2007, we are building on these key experiences: there is so much to be done in this business, in addition to our nowadays well established and well-reputed courses in the areas of conflict prevention, multifunctionality in crisis management and peace operations, protection against risks, rule of law and others. In doing this, we are gradually deepening bilateral cooperation with a number of esteemed sister institutions, nationally and internationally.

So 2007 will be a busy year; we thus appreciate the budgetary reinforcement provided by the Swedish government, in response to our recognized staffing needs. If key events were to be picked, my (difficult) choice would have to be on the one hand the first "International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations" (early summer) and hosting the annual conference of the International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (IAPTC, early autumn), both very significant international events. Nonetheless, our character and, I believe, our strength lie in our breadth and variety. I hope you will agree having studied this catalogue – and our website for confirmation and update, and thereupon decided to join one or several of our events.

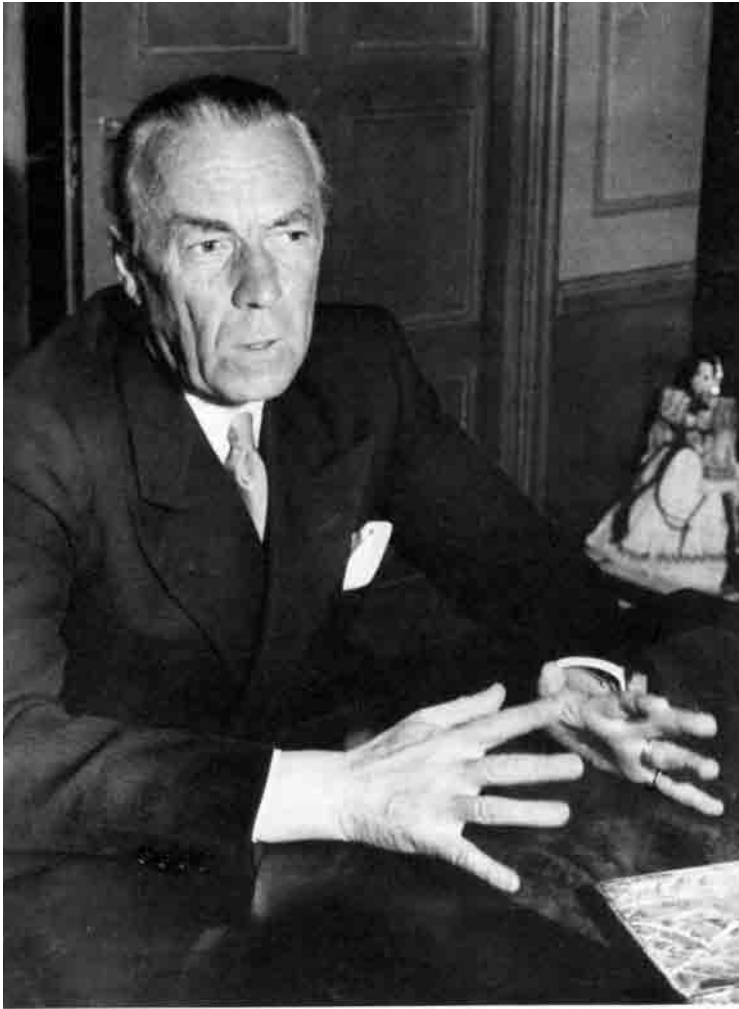
Dear Reader, consider this brochure, therefore, to be a diversified, ambitious and standing invitation to you to come and visit us here on Sandö, by the river, in the beautiful High Coast region. Or in Stockholm.



On the 7th of April 2006, the King of Sweden, Carl XVI Gustaf, inaugurated the new premises of the Folke Bernadotte Academy. The picture was taken after the inauguration ceremony, while HM was inspecting the new premises together with County Governor Gerhard Larsson and Director General Michael Sahlin.

Photo: Sven-Åke Pettersson/FBA.

Michael Sahlin, Director General



Count Folke Bernadotte af Wisborg (1895–1948) is recognized by many as one of the founding fathers of peacekeeping. During the final months of World War II, as vice chairman of the Swedish Red Cross, he led the “white buses” expedition to Germany. In this rescue operation, some 30,000 concentration camp prisoners were saved. In May 1948, Folke Bernadotte was appointed UN mediator in Palestine. He succeeded in achieving a truce in the first Israeli-Arab war, and laid the groundwork for both UNTSO (the UN Truce Supervision Organization) and UNWRA (United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees). On 17 September 1948, a few days before his second plan for a political solution was to be presented to the UN, Folke Bernadotte was assassinated in Jerusalem.

Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

OUR MISSION

The Folke Bernadotte Academy is a Swedish government agency dedicated to improving the quality and effectiveness of international conflict and crisis management, with a particular focus on peace operations. The Academy functions as a platform for cooperation between Swedish agencies and organizations and their international partners. Its main areas of responsibility are:

- National cooperation and coordination
- Joint multifunctional education and training
- Research, studies and evaluation
- Method and doctrine development
- Fredsmiljonen – Funding of civil society peace projects

The Academy has a preparedness to offer good offices for conflict management initiatives, such as talks between parties to a conflict. Within its mandate, it serves as national point of contact with international organizations, including the

UN, EU, OSCE and NATO.

The Academy aims for broad international participation in its activities, and cooperates closely with partner institutions throughout the world. It has a coordinating role in relation to the International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations and has been chosen to coordinate the activities of the European Union Group on Training. The Academy is also a member of the International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres. Through the Conflict Prevention in Practice Project, preventive perspectives and methods are integrated in all relevant activities of the Academy.

The establishment of the Academy reflects Sweden’s commitment to international peace and security. It is named after Count Folke Bernadotte, who was the first official UN mediator. His spirit lives on in the institution bearing his name.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

Crisis Management and Terrorism: Enhancing Organizational Reliability

6 - 8 March 2007

Course Description

The Folke Bernadotte Academy offers, in collaboration with the Center for Crisis Management Research and Training (CRISMART) at the Swedish National Defence College, a series of seminars to provide personnel working in the crisis management field a forum for competence-building activities.

On the 6-8 of March 2007, the Academy and CRISMART hold a seminar entitled "Crisis Management and Terrorism: Enhancing Organizational Reliability". The ambition of the seminar is to bring together leading scholars and practitioners with extensive knowledge of crisis management and terrorism. The participants will exchange experiences, discuss lessons learned, as well as identify areas for further research and development.

Participants

The seminar should be of interest to both practitioners

and scholars who are working with or seeking knowledge related to crisis management and terrorism.

Cost and Location

SEK 3 330, including full board and accommodation. The seminar takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 15 January, 2007. Applicants are kindly asked to use the application form in the catalogue or to download the PDF-file from our website:

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High-Level Meeting to Increase the Capacity of Regional Organizations in Conflict Prevention

Spring 2007

Regional organizations are increasing their role as levers of peace through conflict prevention and conflict management. In cooperation with the Initiative for Conflict Prevention through Quiet Diplomacy, based in Ottawa, the Folke Bernadotte Academy is organizing a seminar with high-level representatives of regional organizations.

The purpose of this seminar is to explore how dialogue and mediation can better be used in early stages of conflict before hostilities have led to massive

violence. The seminar will result in a handbook in dialogue and mediation for regional organizations.

More information on this seminar will soon be available on the website of the Academy:

www.folkebernadotteacademy.se

On questions concerning participation, costs etc., you are also welcome to contact the Education and Training Unit at the following address:

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Information and Intelligence Cooperation in Multifunctional International Operations

13 – 20 March 2007

Course Description

If information and analysis systems are not functioning effectively, or are not established in time during peace operations or disaster relief operations, this can have devastating consequences for the operation.

The development towards multifunctional missions, comprised of military, police and civilian actors, has increased the need for information exchange for mutual benefit. Better knowledge about other actors and their need for information, coupled with increased knowledge about which information can be exchanged between different functions and actors, will contribute to more effective operations.

The aim of this course is to develop and improve cooperation and sharing of information and intelligence in multifunctional missions by giving senior officers and professionals involved in, or designated to work in, multifunctional operations the ability to build functioning networks and systems for collection, analysis and dissemination of information.

Participants will learn how to improve communication and cooperation between the different actors in the mission area and gain knowledge of how information and intelligence networks can be built depending on the needs and special conditions. They will develop their understanding of different actors and their respective information needs as a necessary point of departure for cooperation and coordination.

Participants

25 participants with relevant work experience, preferably from international missions. Participants should either already work in a related field or be designated for such work in the future. The course is designed for participants from governmental and non-

governmental organizations, business communities, police and military organizations.

Cost and Location

SEK 8 880, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 31 January, 2007. Applicants are kindly asked to use the application form in the catalogue or to download the PDF-file from our website:

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During 2006, the Academy's new premises on Sandö were completed and a new feature is the Count Bernadotte Room.
Photo: Fredrik Sundström.

Protection against Risks and Threats in Conflict Areas

25 – 30 March and 9 – 14 September 2007



Media training is an important part of this scenario-based course.
Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

Course Description

Risks and threats against personnel working in conflict areas have increased and the knowledge on how to avoid them needs to be enlarged for a greater awareness of personal security. The objective of this course is to increase participants' understanding and awareness of pro-active security; how to prepare and plan in advance, as well as how to avoid getting into potential dangerous situations over which you have little or limited control. The course is aimed at staff in international organizations and non-governmental organizations. It will focus on providing staff with the skills needed in order to work more safely in conflict and crisis areas. No previous experience is needed.

Course Subjects

- Coping with stress
- Negotiations
- Basic human rights
- Procedures for radio communication
- Hostage situations
- Map reading, GPS and 4-wheel driving
- Security and threats assessment
- Mine risk education
- Cardiopulmonary resuscitation
- First aid

Participants

Approximately 20 participants, mainly police and civilian staff in international and non-governmental organizations with no or limited experience of serving abroad.

Cost and Location

SEK 6 660, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 31 January, 2007 for the course in March and by 30 June, 2007 for the course in September. Applicants are kindly asked to use the application form in the catalogue or to download the PDF-file from our website:

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The course participants are faced with several realistic situations during the training, all of which are based on authentic mission situations.

Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

EU Specialization Course on the Rule of Law

16 – 27 April 2007

(With Reservation)

Course Description

The objective of the course is to provide participants with knowledge needed in a rule of law mission or in a rule of law component of a more comprehensive peace mission, and the skills necessary to perform well in a crisis-stricken environment. The course combines lectures, seminars, case studies, discussions in smaller groups, and simulations.

To capitalize on the different experiences of the course participants, attention is devoted to personal experience, including presentations and discussions in informal settings. The course is offered within the Project on Training for Civilian Aspects of Crisis Management of the European Community.

Participants

Approximately 25 EU legal professionals with relevant work experience and, preferably, international experience in the legal field.

Location

The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Nominations are normally through the EU Group on Training only. However, a few additional applicants may be considered. For further information, please contact the Education and Training Unit at the following address:

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Adapted Rule of Law Training

Throughout 2007

Course Description

The Folke Bernadotte Academy is also available for adapted training for rule of law experts, who need mission-specific training for monitoring, assisting or investigating missions, based upon its generic training in the area of rule of law. Such training can be organized for smaller or larger groups, if necessary combining e-learning with course elements at the training facility in order to keep training periods short.

Participants

Between 4 and 25 participants with qualifications necessary for the training proposed.

Cost and Location

Costs will be calculated for individual training packages. The course can be held on the campus of the Academy on Sandö, but other locations may also be convenient for the purposes of the training.

Application

There is no nomination procedure foreseen for this training. Interested institutions should contact the Education and Training Unit at the following address:

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Facilitation of Dialogue Processes and Mediation Efforts

6 – 12 May 2007

Course Description

Dialogue and mediation are voluntary processes where multiple stakeholders to a conflict, facilitated by a third party, aim at reaching an agreement that is mutually satisfactory. When a solution is found through such a participatory and generative process of common learning, it has the potential to increase the sustainability and legitimacy of the process, to create non-violent conflict-resolution mechanisms for the future, and lead to changes in attitudes towards “the other”, thereby improving the relations between the parties. This is crucial if the goal is not limited to prevent violent incidents but rather to aim at creating resilient societies capable of handling future conflict.

The purpose of this course is to contribute to the development of capacities which transform conflict by peaceful means. The course will include elements of conflict dynamics and analysis, options for third party engagement and leadership based on values. The main focus will, however, be skills-building in facilitation of dialogue and mediation processes, and the possibilities and challenges involved in this approach.

The course is highly interactive and includes group discussions, case studies, role plays and video observations, where the participants will be coached by expert resource persons as well as by each other.

Participants

The approximately 25 participants should be key individuals from national governments, international, regional, sub-regional and civil society organizations as well as local stake-holders, who are or have the potential to play a role in preventing violent conflict.

This composition will enable the participants to get an overview of the whole process and provide a space where inter-personal and institutional networks can



Dialogue and experience sharing at the 2006 course.
Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

be strengthened and their respective roles and mandate more clearly understood.

Cost and Location

SEK 7 770, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

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Cooperation in Multifunctional Peace Operations

21 May – 2 June 2007



Course participants during a role play in the 2006 version of the course.

Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

Course Description

Peace operations have become increasingly characterized by integrated approaches and multifunctionality. Unity of effort between the different organizations and functions involved is necessary for successful action. The objective of this course is to increase the understanding of the dynamics of multifunctional peace operations, including the most important realities, methods, possibilities and difficulties of cooperation and coordination between various civilian and military functions.

Participants will learn how the main actors interrelate, interact, and find their roles in the different phases of a conflict; in early efforts to prevent the outbreak of violence, in crisis management during an on-going conflict, and in peace building efforts when armed hostilities have ceased. Methods to arrive at useful common strategies and practice will be carefully studied.

The course is scenario-based and the participants themselves will play the key roles, coached by experienced experts. Interaction between fellow course participants will add an essential element of realism to the learning experience. Participants will be

provided with necessary theoretical knowledge by academic lecturers and experienced practitioners.

Participants

Some 25 participants, middle and senior management professionals from a variety of professions, nations and organizations, military officers as well as civilians and police, and governmental as well as non-governmental.

Cost and Location

SEK 14 430, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

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The Role of Economic Actors in Conflict Prevention and Peace Building

25-29 June 2007

Course Description

Through their capacity to contribute to sustainable and equitable economic growth, economic actors are increasingly seen as an important factor and positive drivers of change in an inclusive and broad approach to prevention and peace building. This relates to local and foreign investing companies, local and central governments, as well as individuals, local civil society and international organizations creating and supporting initiatives of economic development.

The objective of this course is to give participants a deeper understanding of who the economic actors are, who they could be, and to provide guidance and practical tools on how to interact with and to support them.

In view of the problems with mass unemployment in many conflict areas of the world, and its obvious link to instability and lack of development, the course will focus on the creation of employment in work instead of warfare; how to ensure access to the labour market by all groups, with a special focus on women and youth, including the use of micro-credits and other means to support the emergence of new business. Participants will be trained in the use of dialogue and participatory processes as a tool to define needs, possibilities and challenges in terms of economic development and reconstruction.

This course is also an attempt to approach the concept of Disarmament, Demobilisation and Reintegration (DDR) by focusing on the reintegration phase. In particular, the potential to support existing economic structures or to develop new structures and to create conditions for economic growth and job opportunities, will be discussed. The participants will also discuss and learn about the managing of military might and security threats in transition to peace,

represented by the usually over-dimensioned number of armed individuals with a potential to jeopardize a peaceful development, emphasizing the connection between security and development.

Participants

Some 20-25 participants from a broad variety of professions and organizations involved in international peace missions, focusing on the prevention of violent conflict (occurrence, escalation or reoccurrence of conflict).

Cost and Location

SEK 5 550, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

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Security Management in Hazardous Environments

3-7 September 2007

Course Description

The course focuses on skills needed to manage safety challenges in international missions and on aspects of the mainstreaming of risk and security management in today's hazardous environments. Key topics are risk and security analysis and management techniques, including practical arrangements for protection and access to headquarters and buildings, relationships with subcontractors and physical security providers. The course curriculum has been developed within the International Security Management Initiative (SMI).

Participants

25 participants, security managers and heads of security in headquarters and regional staffs as well as field-level security managers. Participants should either already work in a related field or be designated for such work in the future. The course is designated for members from international and governmental organizations, the business community and non-governmental organizations.

Cost and Location

SEK 5 550, including meals and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 15 July, 2007. Applicants are kindly asked to use the application form in the catalogue or to download the PDF-file from our website:

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Two photos of the destroyed United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) patrol base in El-Khiam, southern Lebanon. On 25 July 2006, the base was destroyed by an Israeli aerial strike, killing four unarmed UN military observers. The base came under recurrent incidents of close firing and UNIFIL reported that, in total, 21 strikes were made within 300 meters of the patrol base. Photo: UN Photo.

General Course for Civil Monitors, Observers and Field Staff

9 – 20 September 2007

Course Description

A general course for civil monitors, observers and professional mission staff in missions led by the UN, the EU and the OSCE has recently been developed by the Folke Bernadotte Academy. The course participants will acquire in-depth knowledge of international organizations, both civil and military, including their professional cultures. They will learn how to work in mixed military-civilian teams with civil society and the local population. Other course components include communication skills, meetings and negotiations as well as dialogue techniques. An important part of the training will entail risk assessments and safety training, how to keep good health and how to manage stress. Deeper awareness on areas such as gender, cross-cultural communication, report writing, press and media handling will be provided. In addition, the participants will learn how to drive a 4x4 vehicle, to read maps, to use GPS and to give first aid as well as cardiopulmonary resuscitation.

Participants

Approximately 25 Swedish and international participants who strive for positions as civil monitors, observers and professional mission staff in international peace operations.

Cost and Location

SEK 13 320, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 10 June, 2007.

Applicants are kindly asked to use the application form in the catalogue or to download the PDF-file from our website:

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Many of the courses arranged by the Academy include risk assessments and safety training, designed to resemble situations that can occur in future missions. Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

EU Course on Civil-Military Coordination in ESDP Operations

24 September – 1 October 2007

Course Description

The Course on Civil-Military Coordination in ESDP Operations has been developed and conducted by the Folke Bernadotte Academy within the framework of the EC Project on Training for Civilian Aspects of Crisis Management. The objective of the course is to provide ESDP missions and related EU personnel in key operational positions with the opportunity to acquire hands-on practical skills and knowledge of civil-military and civil-civil coordination and cooperation before deployment in multifunctional ESDP missions. The ambition is improved coordination between and within the different crisis management functions of the European Union, as well as EU-external actor cooperation, which will create better prospects for the execution and coherence of the crisis management operations of the EU at the operational level.

Participants

Participants will belong both to the civilian ESDP categories and to the EU military. These 20-25 individuals will most likely be potential candidates for

(or already hold) key operational positions at the middle or senior field management level of ESDP missions where they are likely to be given responsibility for coordination with ESDP civil and military components and for cooperation with other EU and EU-external actors.

Cost and Location

SEK 8 880, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 1 August, 2007. Applicants are kindly asked to use the application form in the catalogue or to download the PDF-file from our website:

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Participants of the 2006 CMCO-course giving a press conference during a role play.
Photo: Folke Bernadotte Academy.

Rule of Law Training Course

15 – 27 October 2007

Planned and Conducted in Cooperation with Zentrum für Internationale Friedenseinsätze (ZIF), Berlin

Course Description

The course has the same aims and objectives as the EU Specialization Course on the Rule of Law (see page 7).

Participants

Approximately 25 legal professionals with at least eight years of relevant work experience and, preferably, international experience in the legal field. Preference will be given to persons who are planning or are scheduled to work in a rule of law mission.

Cost and Location

SEK 14 430, including full board and accommodation. The course takes place on the campus of the Academy on Sandö.

Application

Please send us your application by 25 August, 2007.

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Ad Hoc Mission-Specific Training

Since 2003 the Academy has a high readiness to conduct different kinds of mission-specific training on short notice. Such training is conducted jointly with the agencies involved in the manning of a mission in sight. The training is focused on aspects which make you an efficient operator directly upon arrival in the mission, such as:

- Knowledge about the mandate, the mission and the organizations involved
- The host nation, its politics, culture, religion and history
- Skills to protect yourself against potential threats in the mission area

- A holistic and realistic view of the international ambitions in the region
- A cooperative attitude

For civilian monitors and observers, a developed course program is already available. This means that such training can be organized on very short notice.

For further information, please contact the Education and Training Unit at the following address:

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Research and Studies

The role of research within the Folke Bernadotte Academy is to contribute to the accumulation, dissemination and application of scientific knowledge within the fields of peace operations, conflict prevention, conflict management, crisis management and similar missions, useful for the training and education of the Academy.

The Academy carries out research, studies and evaluations in cooperation with the Swedish and the international research community. It also encourages and inspires the research community to carry out relevant research; strives to translate findings from research, studies and evaluations into practical applications; and disseminates findings to interested groups. Important tools in this regard are the Academy's publications, workshops, and conferences. Moreover, the Academy's research branch promotes and facilitates national cooperation within its field between government agencies, between government agencies, practitioners and the research community, and within the research community. The Academy cooperates with scholars from a number of research institutes, such as Uppsala University, the Stockholm International Peace Research Institute (SIPRI), Essex University and New York University.

The overall goal is to complement existing research institutes by having core competence and carry out research in some strategic areas that constitute significant added value or contribution to existing research. The research activities focus not on structural (i.e., economic development, political systems, etc.) but on operative (i.e., peacekeeping operations and other third party interventions such as mediation, good offices, direct talks, etc.) aspects of conflict and crisis management and prevention.

A noteworthy ambition of the Academy is the

Research Forum. Launched in 2005 it serves as a creative platform for meetings between experienced academics and practitioners, and for innovative and mutually beneficial discussions and exchange of knowledge on topical issues.

Another important effort is to promote large-scale comparative research on the impact of operational conflict prevention on the risk for lowlevel armed intrastate conflicts to escalate to war. For this purpose the Academy has commissioned the creation of a global inventory of conflict prevention efforts for the period 1993-2004. The inventory will be made publicly available in 2007.

For updated and detailed information on activities, consult the website of the Academy:

www.folkebernadotteacademy.se

or contact the Research Adviser of the Academy listed in the back of the catalogue.



13th Annual Conference for the IAPTC

Late September 2007

In late September 2007, the Folke Bernadotte Academy will host the 13th annual conference of the International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres (the IAPTC) in Stockholm with the overall theme “Framing Training – Doctrine and Guidance for Peace Operations”.

The IAPTC was founded in 1995 on the initiative by the Pearson Peacekeeping Centre in Canada with the aim of facilitating communication and the exchange of information between peace operations training centres as well as among people responsible for and interested in peace operations training, not only from individual countries but also from international and regional organizations and non-governmental organizations.

The IAPTC promotes better understanding of peace operations, their complexities and challenges, and of the methods used in preparing individuals, groups and units for all aspects of today’s peace operations.

The IAPTC is an open and voluntary association of centres, institutions, organizations, programs and interested individuals dealing with peace operations research, education, and training. It is also a chance for government officials responsible for peace operations education and training policy to meet and

discuss current issues and challenges. Moreover, the UN, the AU, the EU, the OSCE and the NATO have all participated in many of the annual conferences.

The conference, which takes place over 4 to 5 days, is comprised of several parts; a seminar on a current education and training theme; multifunctional group discussions related to the main theme of the conference; functional group discussions related to both the main theme of the conference and other key training issues for the functional groups; opportunities for exchange of information in the form of written material, CD’s and bilateral and multilateral exchanges; an ‘Ideas Bazaar’ – an opportunity for countries and institutions to demonstrate and inform about new techniques, ideas and programs; and an annual general meeting to discuss IAPTC development, hosting and future themes.

In addition to hosting the annual conference, the Academy will host the IAPTC’s Executive Committee in spring 2007 to plan the autumn event.

More information, including participation and registration for the conference, can soon be found on the IAPTC website at

www.iaptc.org.



The IAPTC conferences provide a true multinational and multi-disciplinary platform for addressing the education and training challenges of complex peace operations. This picture was taken during the 2005 IAPTC conference in India.

Photo: Jonas Alberoth.

The International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations

The International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations is intended to provide the international community with a dynamic, strategic, broad-based and stable platform for a regular discussion on peace operations among policy makers, practitioners and academics.

The aim of the Forum is to contribute to the global dialogue on the preparation, implementation and evaluation of peace operations, to generate practical recommendations and to encourage action for their effective implementation.

The expected outcomes of the Forum are:

- An established, effective and efficient international mechanism for the facilitation of regular and inclusive sharing of best practices among relevant actors in the international and national peace operations communities.
- The provision of regular input and advice on

possible policy options to relevant actors in the international and national peace operations communities.

- An enhanced global, cooperative, and active peace operations network.

The Challenges Forum is a joint undertaking by Partner Organizations from 14 leading peace operations contributing countries. The Folke Bernadotte Academy is the international coordinator of the Challenges Forum in cooperation with the Swedish Armed Forces, the National Police Board and the National Defence College.

For more information on the Challenges Forum, please turn to:

www.challengesproject.net

or contact the Project Leader listed in the back of the catalogue.



The UN Secretary-General receiving the Challenges of Peace Operations Project Concluding Report 2006 from the Swedish Minister for Foreign Affairs at a one-day formal presentation and seminar meeting at the UN Headquarters in New York on 19 January 2006. Building on the achievements of the Challenges of Peace Operations: Into the 21st Century Project (1997-2006) and its unique network of Partner Organizations, the Challenges Partners decided at the meeting in New York to establish the International Forum for the Challenges of Peace Operations.
Photo: Kristine Nyborg.

Fredsmiljonen – Financing Civil Society Peace Projects

Fredsmiljonen (i.e. the “Peace Million”) is a Swedish government fund, established in 1982, with the purpose of financing peace related projects which are mainly carried out by Swedish civil society actors.

The fund was established as a response to a call made by the UN Secretary-General in a disarmament conference for national governments to allocate a certain percentage of disarmament costs to different peace projects.

The purpose of the fund is to increase an understanding of complex peace related issues among the Swedish public and to discuss Swedish foreign policy. In addition, the Academy facilitates meetings and discussions between the Swedish NGO community and government officials. The fund amounts to approximately €1,6 million. Support can be applied for two times a year.



The Folke Bernadotte Academy hosted a discussion between representatives of five Swedish peace organizations and members of parliament from all political parties with a special interest in peace and security related issues. The event took place in Visby, in July 2006.

Photo: Tobias Wallström.

For more information, consult the website of the Academy:

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In Visby, the Folke Bernadotte Academy also exhibited the “White Bus” which was used by Count Folke Bernadotte in the final months of the Second World War to rescue prisoners from Germans prisons and concentration camps. The veteran Axel Molin who was group leader and member of the expedition shared his memories with visitors to the bus.

Photo: Tobias Wallström.

Practical Information About Our Courses

Courses take place at the Academy's training facility on Sandö,
unless specifically mentioned in the course description.

Costs include accommodation and full board, including Swedish VAT.

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