PROJECT NDER

The NATO Data Exchange Redesign (NDER) project is one of the most important projects in the history of the NCS and embraces all NATO, Tier 2 and some Tier 1 nations. NDER is slated for a January 2022 implementation and will result in a modern, robust and progressive data communications functionality through application of the Extensible Markup Language (XML). NDER will replace NADEX and will result in the re-engineering of many Codification activities, as these will now be executed within national applications. Furthermore, it will introduce flexibility, simplicity, costs savings as well as further modernisation and process rationalization. Testing of codification applications is proceeding as scheduled and will be completed within 2021. More information is available at NCBs, NSPA and at https://eportal.nspa.nato.int/AC135Public/Support/en/Products/NDER

NCB COLLEGE

The 2021 iteration of the highly successful NCB College was cancelled due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Nonetheless, AC/135 is determined to carry on this state-of-the-art educational venture in 2022, as it attracts participants from all around the world, promotes the NCS and fosters international cooperation. Further details on the NCB college courses will be announced as soon as the COVID 19 situation stabilizes a little more.

E-TRAINING INITIATIVES

Training is acknowledged as a key AC/135 strategic priority. It epitomises the AC/135 synergies that promote Codification and its merits through a robust training curriculum in order to sustain and leverage codification competences. Therefore, a standard codification E-training programme has been designed as the ultimate Codification training tool. This multi-national endeavour consists of seven training modules in English, French, Korean, Spanish and Portuguese, and is available at https://www.dapa.go.kr/dapa_en/sub.do?menultd=420
INTERNATIONAL COLLABORATION

AC/135 promotes a range of initiatives that stimulate interactions and synergies in Codification areas. Representative examples are the NORDEFCO COPA ARMA WG NATO Codification, the South American Codification Seminar (SACS) and the Pacific Area Cataloguing Seminar (PACS). These are characteristic cases of forums encouraging regional cooperation and promoting the benefits of Codification, as well as exploiting interactions between Codification and Industrial partners.

AC/135 STRATEGIC PROJECTS

AC/135 has always been an innovator by embracing stimulating concepts, motivating ideas and cutting-edge technologies in response to contemporary and future requirements. In light of this, the Group is currently embarking on two strategic studies: an analysis of the NSN versus other identifiers application in ERPs; and a study on additive manufacturing and Codification impact. These projects will provide conclusive reasoning on NCS utilisation, as well as strengthen the role of the NCS as the primary materiel identification scheme in support of the war fighter.

COVID-19 AND AC/135 MEETINGS

COVID-19 affected lives and business in a global and unprecedented scale. In response to that, AC/135 accomplished to execute meetings in a complete virtual manner through application of innovative software tools. In this way, business continuity was safeguarded, as well as continuous relevance of products, services and projects, focusing particularly on NDER. Virtual meetings will be continued within 2021, as they allow delegates to remotely connect from divergent locations and different time zones in order to convene and discuss Codification matters.

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