

Call for Applications — Academic Year 2025–2026

European Doctoral School on CSDP (ESDC)

The European Doctoral School on CSDP is pleased to announce the opening of its 2025–2026 call for applications. We are looking for up to 10 Doctoral Fellows whose research focuses on the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP) and/or the Common Foreign and Security Policy (CFSP).

 Deadline for applications: 10 November 2025

Eligibility

Applicants must meet the following criteria:

- PhD enrolment: Be enrolled at a CSDP Doctoral School accredited member institution, or have received confirmation of acceptance by one or more accredited institutions (according to their rules) as leading institution(s) for the doctorate, and have paid any required fees, if any;
 - Academic or professional background: Hold scientific higher education degree(s) worth at least 300 ECTS, or have relevant professional experience recognised as equivalent within the European Higher Education Area (EHEA);
 - Language: Demonstrate English proficiency at CEFR level C1.
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Application Procedure

1. Carefully read the Doctoral School Charter
2. Complete the Application Form
3. Prepare all required documents listed in the Application Checklist
4. Send the full application to esdc-docschool@eeas.europa.eu

✦ Email subject line: DocSchool_APP_Name.Surname

✦ Application file name: Application_Name_Surname.pdf

Important Information

- Applications must be submitted no later than 10 November 2025.
- No automatic confirmations will be sent. All applicants will be contacted after the deadline.

For further information, please contact: esdc-docschool@eeas.europa.eu