



EU CRISIS MANAGEMENT MILITARY EXERCISE 2026 MILEX 26/EU RDC LIVEX



The **EU Rapid Deployment Capacity (RDC)** is a military capability that demonstrates the EU's ability to act quickly in times of crisis. The EU RDC, composed of up to 5,000 troops, enables rapid military engagement in situations requiring stabilisation, humanitarian assistance, evacuation, or peace enforcement.

To ensure an enduring state of readiness of the RDC, **Military Exercises (MILEX)** play a crucial role in maintaining and enhancing our preparedness and fostering interoperability among Member States. In support of the preparation of the EU RDC, the EU is conducting the fourth edition of our **Live Exercise (LIVEX)** series, which will take place from 24 May to 18 June 2026 in Spain. MILEX 25-1 / EU RDC LIVEX 25 is an Alert and Deployment Exercise that will test the Military Planning and Conduct Capability (MPCC), HQ EUROCORPS and the Spanish-led Battle Group in planning and conducting the early deployment for an autonomous EU Crisis Management Operation.

	<p>OPERATION HEADQUARTERS MILITARY PLANNING AND CONDUCT CAPABILITY Brussels FORCE HEADQUARTERS EUROCORPS</p>		<p>24 May to 14 June - Strategic Deployment and Reception, Staging, Onward Movement and Integration (RSOM-I)</p>	<p>10 to 16 June - Command Post Exercise (CPX) Combat Enhancement Training (CET)</p>	<p>18 June 26 - Distinguished Visitors Day (DVD) SARAGOSSA, SPAIN</p>
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MILEX/LIVEX 26 forces and participation:



13 Member States
directly contributing



AIR



LAND



LOGISTICS



up to
2,500 troops
deployed



SPACE
ASSETS



CYBER
CAPABILITIES

MILEX/LIVEX 26 IS ABOUT



**ENHANCING EU CRISIS
MANAGEMENT CAPABILITIES**

MILEX 25 integrates for the third time a live exercise (LIVEX) component. This initiative continues to foster a common strategic culture, crucial for effective crisis management.



**FOSTERING MEMBER STATES'
INTEROPERABILITY**

The EU uses common training and exercises to operationalise scenarios and validate its concepts, procedures and tactics. Stronger lines of communication among Member States foster cooperation and interoperability in the EU framework.



**STRENGTHENING EU RAPID
DEPLOYMENT CAPACITY**

The EU Rapid Deployment Capacity (RDC) is a military capability that demonstrates the EU's ability to act quickly in times of crisis. This achievement reflects the EU's commitment to becoming a stronger and more capable security provider, prepared to protect its interests and to contribute to international peace and stability.



**EU'S COMMITMENT TO
CITIZENS' SECURITY**

The EU RDC stands as a robust, flexible, and scalable military instrument, vital for rapid response to crises outside the EU borders. It underscores the EU's commitment to protect its citizens and to contribute to international peace and security.

