



EUROPEAN UNION MILITARY PARTNERSHIP MISSION NIGER



In line with the EU Integrated Strategy for the Sahel and its repeated commitment to stay engaged in the region, the EU continues to support the G5 Sahel countries in the area of security, including through military missions under the Common Security and Defence Policy (CSDP). The EU Military Partnership Mission Niger (EUMPM Niger) is one of the tools of the EU Integrated Approach in Niger in conjunction with support to peacebuilding, conflict prevention and dialogue support, as well as development cooperation and in parallel with humanitarian assistance. This CSDP mission represents a structured EU response and offers a sustainable platform to support the Nigerien armed forces capacity building. The mission responds to the Nigerien request of a dedicated CSDP mission whose objectives are defined on the basis of Nigerien needs and for Nigeriens.

MISSION MANDATE

The EU Military Partnership Mission in Niger is aimed at contributing to enhancing the military capacity of the Nigerien Armed forces in order to support Niger in its fight against terrorist armed groups in compliance with Human Rights and International Humanitarian Law. To do so, EUMPM Niger support would be encompassed within the overarching Nigerien-led capacity-building plan.

EUMPM Niger supports the Nigerien armed forces by contributing to the Nigerien capacity-building plan through the establishment of a Centre de Formation des Techniciens des Armées, provision of specialised training to the armed forces specialists, including Gendarmerie ones, and support to the creation of a new Battalion, with a priority expressed for a communication and command support battalion. To respond to the three-pronged approach requested by the Nigerien authorities, an EPF assistance measure would complement the Mission to provide the equipment and possibly infrastructure necessary to fulfil the operational requirements of the newly created Battalion.

FACTS AND FIGURES



HEADQUARTERS
Niamey



**EU MISSION
COMMANDER**
Vice-Admiral Hervé BLEJEAN



LAUNCHED ON
20 February 2023 for a period
of three years



**MISSION FORCE
COMMANDER**
Colonel Antonio
D'AGOSTINO (IT)



**COMMONS
COSTS**
€27.3 million

POLITICAL CONTROL AND STRATEGIC DIRECTION

The Political and Security Committee exercises the political control and strategic direction of EUMPM Niger, under the responsibility of the High Representative of the Union for Foreign Affairs and Security Policy and of the Council of the EU.

The Military Planning and Conduct Capability (MPCC) is the Operations Headquarters and ensures the overall coordination and synchronisation at the strategic level within EUMPM Niger's framework.

The Mission Force Headquarters of EUMPM Niger shall be located in Niamey and shall operate under the command of the EU Mission Force Commander.