

SCHOOL OF POLITICAL SCIENCES - THE FORLI' OFFICE OF THE VICE DEAN

# Applications are open for the selection of **35** participants in a Simulation of the management of an international crisis (Nato Model Event)

## organised in cooperation with NATO Allied Commander Transformation HQ **29 and 30 November 2017**

## 1. OBJECT

The School of Political Sciences - Forlì Campus with *NATO Allied Commander Transformation HQ* will hold the NATO Model Event on the 29 and 30 November 2017. The simulation is a structured activity involving 35 students who are expected to "decide how to act" as representatives of the States belonging to the North Atlantic Council, in case of a serious international crisis. The NATO Model Event is considered as an excellent instrument to allow students to put their knowledge of the role of diplomacy in the international relations into practice.

The NATO Model Event will be offered in English and will involve 35 students drawn from two separate ranking lists:

- n. 18 students enrolled at the School of Political Science Forlì Campus
- n. 3 students enrolled at the School of Political Science Bologna Campus

and n. 14 enrolled in other Italian and foreign universities, selected directly by the partner Universities.

No credits are awarded for participation in this event.

## <u>2. AIMS</u>

The NATO Model Event aims at:

- Raising awareness on NATO and its mission, the current role of the Alliance and its evolution to reflect changed security dynamics both at global and regional levels
- Supporting the creation of a NATO *network* comprising NATO personnel, experts, academics and *policy-makers*, motivated students and young researchers



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to foster knowledge at university level and exchanges between academia and political decision makers and the wider network of partner institutions

- Training participants to develop debating skills on key NATO issues, which can include the forecast/creation of scenarios and decision making in tightly controlled scenarios in the NATO Model Event. The latter consists of multiple simulation activities involving the 35 students who will have to "decide how to act", as government representatives of the member states in the North Atlantic Council, in the event of a serious international crisis. The NATO simulation model is considered an outstanding application tool to practice the knowledge acquired by students on the role of diplomacy in international relations.
- Awarding a joint UNIBO-NATO ACT Diploma to the 35 participating students after completion with merit of scheduled coursework
- Promoting a joint effort for the establishment of *best practices* in university education on the history of NATO, its mission, its policies and partnerships
- Promoting the development of a new generation of experts in transatlantic relations, committed both to scientific research and the achievement of the key values of the Washington Treaty.

#### 3. REQUIREMENTS

Applications are accepted from:

- students enrolled in the academic year 2016/17 in the third year (or students not aligned to the exam schedule) of the Degree course in International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs ;

- students enrolled in the academic year 2016/17 in the second year (or students not aligned to the exam schedule) of the Master Degree course in *International Relations* or in *International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs* or in *Interdisciplinary Research and Studies on Eastern Europe (MIREES)*;

- students enrolled in the academic year 2017/18 in the Master Degree course in *International Relations* or in *International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs* or in *Interdisciplinary Research and Studies on Eastern Europe (MIREES)*;

- holders of a Master degree in *International Relations* or in *International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs* or in *Interdisciplinary Research and Studies on Eastern Europe (MIREES)* obtained less than a year prior to the deadline for the applications.



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## 4. APPLICATION AND DOCUMENTS REQUIRED

Submit your application by completing the form available on <u>http://www.scienzepolitiche.unibo.it/it/motore-bandi#</u>! and attaching the following documents:

- 1. Curriculum vitae in European format
- 2. exam transcripts
- 3. motivation letter (up to 20 lines).

Applications and documents may be submitted in one of the following ways:

In person: Office of the Vice Dean, School of Political Sciences, Palazzina Gaddi, Via G. della Torre n. 1, 47121 Forlì, 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 pm, Monday through Friday;

By e-mail in a single .pdf file to <u>scienzepolitiche.nato@unibo.it</u> with a copy of an identification document

#### before 24/10/2017 at 12.00 (noon).

#### 5. SELECTION

Applicants will be selected upon successful interview evaluation of their spoken English proficiency in discussing issues of international politics and security, with specific reference to NATO.

The **interview** is scheduled on **27 october at 10.00 a.m.** and will be held at the School of Political sciences – Forlì Office of the Vice Dean, Sala Riunioni – Palazzina Gaddi, via Giacomo della Torre, 1 – Forlì.

Failure to attend the interview at the time and place scheduled will result in withdrawal of the application.

#### 6. EVALUATION COMMITTEE AND SELECTION CRITERIA

The evaluation committee is composed of the following professors: Eugenia Baroncelli, Cinzia Bevitori, Lorenzo Zambernardi. The following criteria will be applied in the **selection**:

Interview - up to 30 points Career (weighted average grade)- up to 20 points Motivation letter - up to 10 points.

If the student is enrolled in the 1<sup>st</sup> year of the second cycle degree, the commission will take into account the graduation mark converted into a mark out of 30.



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If the candidate is a graduate in the Master degree in *International Relations* or in *International Relations and Diplomatic Affairs* or in *Interdisciplinary Research and Studies on Eastern Europe (MIREES)*, the commission will take into account the graduation mark converted into a mark out of 30.

Participants who have achieved a minimum score of 40 points will be considered eligible. In the event of a tie, the following criteria will take priority:

- first-time participants in the NATO Model Event
- younger age.

If eligible candidates in a ranking list are fewer than available places, available places will be assigned to the candidates of the other ranking list.

#### 7. PUBLICATION OF LISTS

The final lists will be published from 3 p.m. of the 30/10/2017 on the School website at: <u>http://www.scienzepolitiche.unibo.it/it/motore-bandi#</u>! Selected applicants will receive a formal notification via e-mail only.

#### 8. ACCEPTANCE

Within 3<sup>rd</sup> of November 2017 selected applicants must send by email to <u>scienzepolitiche.nato@unibo.it</u> a statement of acceptance to participate in the NATO Model Event 2017.

#### 10. PERSONAL DATA

In accordance with the provisions of Legislative Decree No. 196 of 30 June 2003 (Personal Data Protection Code), personal data will be processed only in administrative procedures for the institutional purposes of the University of Bologna.

For information on the Call for applications, write e-mails to <u>scienzepolitiche.nato@unibo.it</u> or call the following numbers tel. 0543 – 374118/374122

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