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**Informal Meeting of Defence Ministers of the Member States of the European Union on
26 August 2020
and
7th Informal Meeting of Defence Ministers of the Framework Nations Concept (FNC) on
27 August 2020**

Federal Minister of Defence Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer will host two ministerial meetings on 26 and 27 August 2020 respectively.

The informal meeting of EU defence ministers will be held as part of the German EU Council Presidency. The Minister has invited her counterparts and the High Representative, Mr Josep Borrell. On the following day, the 7th informal meeting of defence ministers of the Framework Nations Concept (FNC) will take place. Both events will be held at the InterContinental Hotel in Berlin.

The EU ministers' meeting will focus mainly on operational commitments of the European Union and on the Strategic Compass. NATO Secretary General Mr Jens Stoltenberg and United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Peace Operations Mr Jean-Pierre Lacroix will also participate in this meeting.

The FNC ministers' meeting will focus on the 4th FNC progress report, which further consolidates the Framework Nation Concept and contributes to strengthening the European pillar in NATO. NATO Supreme Allied Commander Transformation (SACT) General André Lanata and European Defence Agency (EDA) Chief Executive Mr Jiří Šedivý will participate as well.

Information for the press:

Please note that in line with COVID-19 protective measures and the hygiene concept in place for the two events, a maximum of 64 spots can be allocated to media representatives.

Several representatives from one medium can receive accreditation. However, only one representative per medium carrying a press badge will be allowed at the event at any given time. The exact procedure will be outlined when you receive confirmation of your spot.

Owing to COVID-19-related restrictions, all picture opportunities to obtain TV and photographic images will be subject to a pool system.

Accredited media representatives are required to follow the applicable physical distancing and hygiene rules and wear face coverings. Some stocks of face masks will be made available to accredited media representatives.

Pool representatives for picture opportunities

TV:

Host broadcaster ARD will produce a TV signal of all agenda items open to the press and provide it to interested media outlets on request.

Contact: Mr Werner Melzer, ARD-Hauptstadtstudio
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Photo:

This information will be made available in time before the event.

A selection of free pictures will be posted on [Redaktion der Bundeswehr](#) one hour after the end of each agenda item.

The joint press conference of Federal Minister of Defence Ms Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer and EU High Representative Mr Josep Borrell will also be available as a livestream at www.eu2020.de and www.bmvg.de, as well as on the German FMoD's Twitter account (@BMVg_Bundeswehr), in German and in English.

You will be provided with more information on the events when you receive confirmation of your spot.

Venue:

InterContinental Hotel, Budapester Straße 2, 10787 Berlin

Accreditation centre opening hours:

Mon 24 August 2020	14.00 – 18.00
Tue 25 August 2020	8.00 – 18.00
Wed 26 August 2020	8.00 – 20.00



Press events:

On 26 August 2020 (EU meeting)

before 12.00	Arrival of delegations
12.00 to 13.00	Federal Minister of Defence Ms Annegret Kramp-Karrenbauer welcomes the ministers; at the same time: opportunity for doorstep interviews with ministers
13.00 to 15.00	Working session
15.00 to 15.30	Family photo
15.30 to 17.30	Working session
17.30 to 18.00	Joint press conference

On 27 August 2020 (FNC)

9.00 to 9.15	Opportunity for doorstep interviews
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Accreditation procedure

Please apply for accreditation no later than **14 August 2020, 12.00** with the Federal Press Office (Bundespresseamt) at <http://www.akkreditierung.bundesregierung.de>.

The standing accreditations of the Federal Press Office are not valid for this event!

Once the security check has been completed, you will receive an accreditation confirmation, which does not equal confirmation of a spot, however. Once the time for accreditation has expired, the Press and Information Office of the Federal Ministry of Defence will send you a confirmation via email of whether your media outlet has obtained one of the available spots.

How to navigate the accreditation portal

1. Enter your user name and password. If you have no accreditation profile with the Federal Press Office (BPA), please register as a user and then log in with the user name and password you received.
2. Please make sure that your personal data are correct under “Mein Profil verwalten” or enter and save your data as you register as a new user.
3. You can access a list of events at “Anlässe verwalten”; select the event in question and apply using the “Anmelden” button.
4. A new window will open. After selecting the advisory notices on your editor’s confirmation of assignment (“Akkreditiv”), on data disclosure and security screening, please click the button “Daten speichern und akkreditieren”.
5. Once you have filled in all required data, the “Status/Anmelden” section of the list of events will state that your application is being processed. If your request for accreditation was successful, you will receive an email confirmation.
6. To find current information on the event in question, please access your profile on www.akkreditierung.bundesregierung.de and select “Anlässe verwalten”.
7. After your accreditation has expired, you can delete your profile at any point.

Privacy Policy

1. Consent

- a) The disclosure of your personal data is voluntary. You are under no legal or contractual obligation to disclose personal data.
- b) Failure to give consent will result in your exclusion from participation in the event.

2. Withdrawal of consent

In accordance with Article 7(3) of the EU General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) you have the right to withdraw consent at any time with regard to the future. This will not affect the lawfulness of processing carried out before consent was withdrawn.

3. Processing

- a) The legal basis of data processing is consent given in accordance with Article 6(1)(a) in conjunction with Article 7 GDPR.
- b) Data is collected for the purpose of ensuring your participation in the event and is transferred to the responsible police authorities for a security check.
- c) The data will be saved in an EXCEL file.
- d) There will be no automated decision-making (Article 22 GDPR).
- e) Data will be stored at the Federal Ministry of Defence for no longer than three months after the event in question.

4. Data controller

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5. Data protection commissioner for the remit of the Federal Ministry of Defence

Federal Ministry of Defence
Bundeswehr Commissioner for Data Protection
Fontainengraben 150
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6. The following rights are applicable:

- a) Right of withdrawal (Article 7 GDPR)
- b) Right of access to information (Article 15 GDPR)
- c) Right to rectification (Article 16 GDPR)
- d) Right to erasure (Article 17 of GDPR)
- e) Right to restriction of processing (Article 18 GDPR)
- f) Right to data portability (Article 20 GDPR)
- g) Right to lodge a complaint with the commissioner for data protection and freedom of information (Article 77 GDPR).