EU Training Mission Mali (EUTM Mali)
TYPE:

Military mission to provide training, education and advice of the MaAF and to the operationalization of the G5S JF.

MISSION (5th Mandate Rev 1)

Starting Day: 18 May 2020

Mandate End: 18 May 2024

MISSION AREA:

Mali and G5 Sahel countries

OPERATION BUDGET:

133,7 M € (reference amount for the 5th Mandate, 4 years period)
MISSION
(5th Mandate Rev 1 )

EUTM Mali will focus the activities on support to MaAF within the Mission Area and until the end of Mandate 5 on strategic advice and education only.

All operational and non-operational activities are temporarily and reversibly suspended while maintaining the capacity to resume when conditions are met and PSC (Political and Security Committee EU) so decides, to support the creation of sustainable and capable armed forces under democratic control and in line with international standards.

EUTM Mali will also deliver military assistance within means and capabilities to Burkina Faso and Niger and to the G5SIF and G5S armed forces in order to support their operationalization.

MANDATE

Following a request of the Malian Government and based on UNSCR 2085 EU MS agreed on the establishment of a military mission to contribute to the training of the Malian Armed Forces. Council Decision 2013/340CFSP in January 2013 created EUTM Mali under the framework of the EU Common Security and Defense Policy.

Follow on Council decisions evolved EUTM Mali towards its current nature.

Mandate 5 was politically approved on 23 March 2020 and extended the mission until 18 May 2024. It expressed a more ambitious approach, notably the extension to G5S countries and a significant increase in resources.

In May 2022 a mid-term Strategic Review (SR) took place that resulted in significant adaptations, notably reductions of personnel and activities. A revised MPLAN received PSC approval in October.
MCdr
Lieutenant General Michiel van der Laan (NL)
Michiel van der Laan is a military officer of the Netherlands Army who is currently serving as the Director General of the European Union Military Staff since 28 June 2023.

MHQ Location
Brussels-Belgium
Military Planning and Conduct Capability (MPCC)

MFCdr
Brigadier General Santiago J. Fernández Ortiz-Repiso (SP)
Brigadier General Santiago J. Fernandez Ortiz Repiso is the 19th Mission Force Commander EUTM Mali

MFHQ Location
Bamako (Mali)
Bamako is the capital and largest city of Mali, with a 2021 population of 2,521,366
Provision of training to some 20,000 MaAF students

Decentralized activities: Performance of 25 CMATT (Combined Mobile Advisory and Training Teams) and 5 MRAA (Military Region Advice Activity) in the MaAF Military Regions

Conduct of numerous centralized courses at the Koulikoro Training Centre (KTC)

Conduct of Train-the-Trainer courses for Malian Mobile Training Teams

Conduct of advisor activities benefitting the Ministry of Defense, General Staff and Military Regions

Provision of training and advice to G5S Joint Force HQ staff

Conduct of training activities in Niger through the integration of MATF GAZELLE until 2022

Conduct of first activities in support of the Burkinabe Defence Sector in 2021
STATE OF PLAY AND WAY AHEAD

After closely monitoring the transitional process and other developments in Mali the PSC concluded on 05 April inter alia to temporarily and reversibly suspend operational training activities that benefit formed units of the MaAF and most EPF Assistance Measures.

PSC approval on the mid-term SR in June led to the temporary suspension of all operational trainings for individuals and/or formed units.

Because of that PSC decision, the MaAF announced to take responsibility over all courses listed in the EUTM Mali training catalogue from 01 August onwards.

The mission conducts activities at Malian Military Schools, coordinates further activities with Burkina Faso, Chad, and Mauritania, and supports G5S JF.
Partners Contributing: Republic of Moldova

Foreseen 2nd semester 2024

Main Contributors
Spain, Portugal, Romania

Mission contributing
Austria, Belgium, Finland, Hungary, Lithuania Slovenia

CONTRIBUTING COUNTRIES

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