

The European Union's 'Strategic Compass' process

CRISIS MANAGEMENT Scenarios for military and civilian missions • • • Geographical priorities Petersberg tasks **Headline Goals Revision** Force generation Institutional capacity European Peace Facility Civilian CSDP Compact RESILIENCE **PARTNERSHIPS** Mutual assistance (Art. 42(7) TEU) and solidarity EU-UN (Art. 222 TFEU) clauses **EU-NATO** Protecting critical infrastructure EU-US **COMPASS** Supply chain security Africa (African Union, G5 Sahel) Military mobility • • • Eastern Partnership Global commons Indo-Pacific (QUAD, ASEAN, bilateral) Non-traditional threats **CAPABILITY DEVELOPMENT** Technological sovereignty PESCO • • • European Defence Fund • • • Coordinated Annual Review on Defence **European Defence Agency** Space, cyber and maritime capabilities



The Strategic Compass aims to cement the foundations for a shared vision for EU security and defence among European Union Member States. This Member Stateled process was initiated in 2020, during which a threat analysis was completed. Strategic dialogues among Member States are ongoing in 2021 to shape the content of the Compass on key issues grouped in four interconnected 'baskets'. Its goals are to operationalise the EU's strategic autonomy, a debated term, to refine the EU's level of ambition, and to better link the EU's strategic, operational and capability needs.

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