



The future of military ethics

12th annual conference, at the Hellenic Air Force Academy, Athens, 10-12 May 2023

7 May 2023

Programme of the conference

<u>Time</u>	<u>Session</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tuesday, 09 May		
18:00-19:30 hrs	informal reception	Hellenic Officers' Club
Wednesday, 10 May		
09:00-09:30 hrs	Registration and coffee	Hellenic Air Force Academy foyer, Amphitheatre
09:30-09:40 hrs	Opening by Air Cdre. (ret) John Thomas President of EuroISME	main auditorium
09:40-09:50 hrs	Welcoming speech by the Greek Commandant, Major General Konstantinos Karamesinis	main auditorium
09:50-10:30 hrs	Inaugural address by: Prof.Dr. (em) George Lucas "Thinking in the ruins: Military Ethics after the war in Ukraine"	main auditorium
10:30-10:50 hrs	Coffee break	foyer
10:50-11:35 hrs	Key note address by Prof.Dr. Nancy Sherman, "Stoics on Stuff: Stoic consolations on the destruction of cultural heritage in war," including Q&A	main auditorium

11:40-13:10 hrs Session 1 with the parallel panels No. 1 to 4 (time-slots 1-12)

Panel No. 1: The Russo-Ukrainian war and world order

break out room 1

chair: Prof.dr. Michael Gross (Israel)

- Dr Aresniy Kumankov (Russia), “Moralization of war and the role of the theorist. The case of the Russo – Ukrainian War”
- .Dr C. Anthony Pfaff (USA), “Ukraine and the Ethics of Conflict Termination”
- .Air Cdre. (ret) John Thomas (UK, EuroISME BoD) , “Splitting the atom of the old world order. What might be the fallout from the Russian invasion of Ukraine?”

Panel No. 2: Emerging technologies and ethical judgements (1)

break out room 2

chair: Dr. Maciej Zajac (Poland)

- Dr. Ashley Roden-Bow (UK/Portugal), “Killer Robots and inauthenticity: A Heideggerian response to the ethical challenge posed by lethal autonomous weapons systems”
- Prof.dr Christian Enemark (UK), “Governing drone violence with a code of ethics”
- Dr. Christine Boshuijzen-van Burken (Australia), Dr Deane-Peter Baker, Dr Ned Dobos, Milad Ghasrikhouzani, Erandi Hene Kankageme, Twan Huybers, Oleksandra Molloy, Jo Plested and Shreyansh Singh, “Ethical implications of AI enabled decision support systems”

Panel No. 3: Preventing transgressions (1)

break out room 3

chair: Dr. Deanna Messervey (Canada)

- Caroline N. Walsh (USA), “The military hierarchy experience: ethical leadership issues from the view of the lower ranks and implications for incorporating ethical leadership into strategy”
- Dr. Wendy de Luca (Australia), “ADF ethics education after Afghanistan: Do we need a code of ethics?”

- Aluma Kepten (Australia/Israel), “Ethical corruption and legitimate irregular forces: illicit violence in Special Operations Forces”

Panel No. 4: The development and future of the military virtues

break out room 4

chair: senior chaplain Stephan Gugerel (Austria)

- Marcus Hedahl (USA), “The future of military virtue: how a deeper understanding of confucianism and Stoicism allows virtue development to move from individual emulation to collective recovery and repair”
- Prof.dr Edward Barrett (USA), “Military character development: new philosophical and psychological perspectives”
- Prof.dr Michael Good (USA), “Practically ignorant: *akrasia* and practical knowledge”

13:10-14:10 hrs Lunch-buffet

foyer

14:10-15:40 hrs Session 2 with the parallel panels No. 5 to 8 (Time-slots 13-24)

Panel No. 5: Making super soldiers

break out room 1

chair: Emmanuel Jacob (Belgium)

- Prof.dr. Michael Gross (Israel), “Super soldiers: why and what for?”
- Dr. Blake Heredith (USA), “Child super soldiers”

Panel No. 6: Building personalities-the German approach on including military ethics education in every soldiers training

break out room 2

chair: 1st Lt. Uwe Hildenbeutel (Germany)

- Lt.Col. Martin Rose (Germany), “The German point of view: Soldiers as educated, responsible citizens in uniform - the Bundeswehr’s commitment to personality education”
- Ms. Lena Wilk (Germany), “Inclusive Leadership as a key to an efficient army”
- 1st Lt. Uwe Hildenbeutel (Germany), “(Military) Ethics education in the Bundeswehr – the German approach”

Panel No. 7: Tragedy and resilience

break out room 3

chair: Hannah Schnier (Germany)

- Dr. Laura Puumala (Finland), “Understanding moral tragedies as unfavourable circumstances”
- Nathan Gabriel Wood (Belgium), “Military Ethics, proportionality, psychological trauma, moral injury”

Panel No. 8: Public-private cooperation

break out room 4

chair: Lt.Col. Evaggelia Kiosi (Greece)

- Col. (ret.) Jean-Marc Vesco (France), “Ethics: the way for fair and winning perspectives for European Defense Industry”
- Capt. Aurélie Rispal-Walker (France), “Presentation of the European Military University project”
- Michael Wieteska (Australia/France), Dr Shannon Ford and Dr Klara Kövesi, “The role of private actors in the development of cybersecurity norms”

15:40-16:00 hrs Tea break

foyer

16:00-17:30 hrs AGM (members only!)

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NO PROGRAMME FOR THE EVENING!

Thursday, 11 May

09:00-09:30 hrs Coffee

foyer, Amphitheatre

09:30-10:15 hrs **Keynote** speech by Mr. Gilles Carbonnier, vice president, ICRC, including Q&A

main auditorium

10:15-11:15 hrs **Poster session by students**

main auditorium

chair: Dr. Dragan Stanar (Serbia, EuroISME BoD)

- Major Janar Pekarev (Estonia), “Dilemmas of representation of autonomous weapon systems (AWS). A focus group perspective and in-depth interviews with military personnel”
- Eva Pogosyan (Armenia), “Perception of peacekeepers’ mission and obligations in the context of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict”

11:15-11:35 hrs

Coffee break

foyer

11:35-13:05 hrs

Session 3 with the parallel panels No. 9 to 12 (time-slots 24-36)

Panel No. 9: Creating a Master’s degree program in modern military ethics

break-out room 1

chair: Dr. Eva van Baarle (The Netherlands)

- Prof.dr Shannon French (USA), “Vision and justification: Why create the Master of Arts degree in Military Ethics?”
- Dr. Maysan Haydar (USA), “The Core of the Master of Arts degree in Military Ethics: Curricular ideas in practice”
- Dr. Beth Trecasa (USA), “From idea to implementation: building the Master of Arts degree in Military Ethics”
- Prof.dr. Jessica Wolfendale (USA), “The present and future of the Master of Arts degree in military ethics: challenges and opportunities”

Panel No. 10: Ethics and AI

break-out room 2

chair: Prof.dr. Lonneke Peperkamp (The Netherlands)

- Dr. Christine Boshuijzen-van Burken (Australia), Shannon Spruit, Lotte Fillerup, Niek Mouter, “ Ethical values in autonomous systems in defence”
- Dr. Ioanna K. Lekea and Dr. George K. Lekeas (Greece/UK), Ethics app to explore risks and opportunities of using AI in decision-making
- Dr. Maciek Zając (Poland), “Testing AWS for *ius in bello*/LOAC compliance”

- 2nd Lt. Konstantinos Sidiropoulos (Greece), “New challenges of AI weapons’ morality”

Panel No. 11: Tradition and change

break-out room 3

chair: Eva Pogosyan (The Netherlands/ Armenia)

- Dr. Kyle Fruh (USA), “Military monuments: the ethics and the future of memorializing the Past
- Prof.dr Ibanga Ikpe (Botswana), “Military ethics and the promise of traditional African thought”
- Dr.Zipi Gushpantz (Israel), “Between Ethics and Practice”

Panel No. 12: PSYOP

break-out room 4

chair: Dr. Mohammed Metwalli (Egypt)

- Prof.dr. Michael Skerker (USA), “The Ethics of Deceptive Military Influence Operations”
- Dr. Adam Henschke (Australia), “The future of information conflict: 2 key values for just cognitive warfare”

13:05-14:00 hrs Lunch

foyer

14:00-14:15 hrs Group photo

courtyard

14:15-15:45 hrs Session 4 with the parallel panels No. 13 to 16 (Time-slots 37-48)

Panel No. 13: Moral judgement-building

break-out room 1

chair: 1st Lt. Uwe Hildenbeutel (Germany)

- Prof.dr. Dragan Stanar (Serbia; EuroISME BoD) , “Zero-sum model of moral responsibility for war: why it is wrong and detrimental for ethics of war and military ethics”
- Dr. Florian Demont-Biaggi, (Switzerland), “Deliberative justice in military strategy”
- Dr. Eva van Baarle and Dr. Steven van Baarle (The Netherlands), “Advancing ethics support in military organisations by designing and evaluating a value-based reflection tool”

Panel No. 14: The quest for peace and cosmopolitanism

break-out room 2

chair: Prof.Dr. Jovan Babic (Serbia; EuroISME BoD)

- Dr. Davit Mosinyan (Armenia), “In quest of peace and its subject”
- Dr. Andrea Ellner (Germany/UK), “Narratives of war and military ethics from liberal cosmopolitan pasts to communitarian hybrid futures”
- Yuliya Koreshkova (Russia), “Refugee crises and unequal support: the lesson from the Ukraine War”

Panel No. 15: Emerging technologies and ethical judgements (2)

break-out room 3

chair: Dr. Christine Boshuijzen-van Burken (The Netherlands)

- Heleen Huijgen, (The Netherlands) “An Ethical, Legal and Societal Aspects framework for military human enhancement”
- Prof.dr David Whetham and Dr. Marina Mirón (UK/Spain; EuroISME BoD), “Perceptions of using UAS for CASEVAC and medical support”
- Dr Patrick Taylor Smith (USA), “Martial virtues in a pill: is the moral bio-enhancement of warfighters worth exploring?”

Panel No. 16: The international order, ethics and war

break-out room 4

chair: Dr. Arseniy Kumankov (Russia)

- Prof.dr. Patricia Glazebrook (USA), “Why war? The oxymoron of military ethics”
- Dr. George Wilkes (UK), “How could a more unpredictable conflict horizon lead to the strengthening of military ethics education across the globe?”

15:45-16:00 hrs Tea break, with book stand by our publisher Martinus Nijhoff

foyer

16:00-16:10 hrs Presentation of the ethics playing cards in various languages by Prof.Dr. David Whetham

main auditorium

pause

18:30-22:00 hrs **Reception, formal dinner & annual prize ceremony for EuroISME's best student's thesis** hotel Brown Acropol

Friday, 12 May

09:00-09:30 hrs Coffee foyer

09:30-11:00 hrs Session 5 of parallel panels No. 17 to 20 (Time-slots 49-60)

Panel No. 17: Virtue and the education of the military break-out room 1

chair: Dr Marina Mirón (Spain; EuroISME BoD)

- Military Chaplain Stefan Gugerel (Austria), “Friendship and respect as the foundation of a future-oriented military ethic-athenian inspirations”
- Prof.dr. Pieter Vos (The Netherlands), “What good? Which virtues? (Meta)ethical questions on the cultivation of military virtues”

Panel No. 18: Ad bellum & due diligence break-out room 2

chair: Prof.dr. Jovan Babić (Serbia; EuroISME BoD)

- Dr. Celestino Perez, Jr. (USA), “Strategy, ethics and due diligence”
- Dr. Wouter. T.C. Bisschop (The Netherlands), “International military cooperation and *ius ad bellum*”
- Prof.dr Michael Gross (Israel), “ Collaboration and collaborators during insurgency, civil war, and conventional conflict

Panel No. 19: Ethics education break-out room 3

chair: Dr. Daniel Messelken (Switzerland; EuroISME BoD)

- Prof.dr David Whetham (UK; EuroISME BoD) and Dr. Mohammed Metwalli (Egypt), “Ethics training tool for crisis and military medicine”
- Dr. Francisco Lobo (Chile), “Upholding dignity on the battlefield - The role of professional military ethics education”

Panel 20: Preventing transgressions (2)

break-out room 4

chair: senior chaplain Dr. Janne Aalto (Finland)

- Capt. Benjamin Ordinway (USA), “Preparing Servicemembers for the Moral terrain: forestalling moral disengagement through field-based coaching”
- Col. Evaggelia Kiosi (Univ. of Macedonia), “The role of the military gender advisor”
- Ms. Monique Tempelman (The Netherlands), “Ethical guidelines for implementing behavioural insights into conflict resolution developments”
- Dr. Deanna Messervey, Megan Therrien (Canada), “Willingness to report violations of international humanitarian law”

11:00-11:20 hrs

Coffee

foyer

11:20-12:40 hrs

Farewell panel

main auditorium

Chair: Dr. Ioanna Lekea (Greece)

- Maj.Gen. M. Kurczyk (Germany)
- Mr. Vedran Maslic (Australia)
- Ms. Anna Otašević (Serbia)

12:40-13:00 hrs

Closing comments and announcement of the 2024 conference venue & dates

by the President of EuroISME, Air Cdre (ret) John Thomas

main auditorium