

NATO Standards for ADL in Exercises

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Speaker: Aaron Presnall, Ph.D.

Overview: The NATO Training Group on Individual Training & Education Developments (NTG IT&ED) was tasked to develop a set of guidelines/recommendations for NATO/Partnership for Peace (PfP) member nations, compiling best practices for using e-learning to support personnel participating in collective exercises. Our webinar will discuss the first released draft of this new standards document and solicit feedback/questions from the stakeholder community.



Subject: Automated e-learning courses offer a proven solution for enhancing both the efficiency and effectiveness of a collective military exercise. But the operational integration of advanced distributed learning (ADL) into exercises remains sporadic and ad hoc. The maturation of ADL in exercises requires a formal recognition of best practices across the innovators in this field.

The NTG IT&ED effort to identify best practices for ADL in exercises will feature the production of an Annex to the NATO ADL Handbook, referred to in STANAG 2591 as the go-to official document for standards on digital learning.

Our speaker, Aaron Presnall, Ph.D., will be presenting from the Military Academy in North Macedonia, the most recent country to join NATO. Dr. Presnall will be joined by a panel of NATO members to aid in this discussion.

Audience: Military and civilian education and training executives, exercise planners, operators, mentors, trainers, observers, and participants who want to gain insight on the implementation of NATO Standards for ADL in Exercises.

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About the Speaker

Aaron Presnall (Ph.D., University of Virginia) is president of the Jefferson Institute and a lecturer at the University of Virginia, Department of Politics. He is a political economist specializing in the relationships of information and participatory decision making. In addition to scholarly works and popular opinion pieces, he has written on the business and political environment of Eurasia for the United Nations Development Program (UNDP), the Economist Intelligence Group, the [Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe](#) (OSCE), and numerous private and governmental organizations in the United States. Before joining the Jefferson Institute, he served with the EastWest Institute for seven years in Prague, then in Belgrade for three years as EastWest's Regional Director of Southeast Europe.

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