

EUROPEAN UNION

European Policy on Security and Defence

- EU members are developing their capacities to undertake limited peace support and humanitarian intervention missions under the EU banner, where NATO as a whole is not engaged.
- Canada supports the efforts of our European Allies to reinforce their military capabilities. This initiative will strengthen the European pillar of NATO.
- Alliance leaders have agreed that NATO will remain the primary military security organization for its members. Canada strongly supports this position.
- We are working with our Allies to ensure that NATO and the EU develop strong and transparent institutional links with each other.
- Canada will continue to contribute to security and stability in Europe as a member of NATO. We are also discussing with the EU the possibility of taking part in future EU-led peace support operations, in those situations where NATO is not engaged.