





Mission Critical: Diversity and Inclusion Best Practices for the Security Sector

Report

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On April 19, 2018 The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF), together with EUROMIL and the Brussels chapter of Women in International Security (WIIS), organized a transatlantic seminar "Mission Critical: Diversity and Inclusion Best Practices for the Security Sector" focusing on diversity and inclusion best practices for militaries, police forces and defense companies with support of the U.S. Mission to NATO which was attended by 55 participants (34 women, 21 men).

After opening remarks by Emmanuel Jacob (EUROMIL) and an icebreaker by Lora Berg (GMF) the first session focused on comparing the two inclusive leadership approaches taken by the United States and France.

Elyamine Settoul, associate professor at CNAM Paris, explained that the French army's transformation into a fully-professionalized one in the mid-90's implied the consideration of sociopolitical and functional imperatives. Consequently, this led to the creation of new recruitment strategies to widen the pool of potential recruits by including women and immigrant populations into this process. In this context, the current situation was discussed as well as possible ways to increase the interest of women and representatives of different ethnic groups to join the army.

Chevalier P. "Chevy" Cleaves, the inaugural U.S. Air Force chief diversity officer, argued that it is essential to define the goal — an approach to security that is comprehensive, designed for every member of the society, with wide input, and ensured by security forces that are reflective of highly diverse populations. Enhancing inclusion not only widens the talent pool, but increases public trust and improves decision-making. Without this and the retention of best talent the military cannot continue to meet its goals and be mission ready.

In the second session Philippe Manigart, head of the Department of Behavioral Science at Royal Military Academy, presented the results of a study on on the impact of demographic changes on recruitment and retention of talent. Demographic trends in th EU point to the fact that the number of young people entering the labor market (age group 15–24) will decrease while the ratio of older people will increase. At the same time, societal diversity will increase as a result of the growing immigration. Thus, military recruitment strategies should take previously under-represented groups (e.g. women and ethnic-cultural minorities) into account to broaden the recruitment base. Concluding recomendations to alleviate recruitment shortages are to invest more in personnel and to bring in ethnic-cultural minorities and women.

During the third panel, Caroline Cooper (Raytheon International), Katrien D'Hert (Belgian Armed Forces), and Samira Rafaela (Dutch National Police) looked from across sectors into what really works to meet the commitment of increased diversity in the security sector. While Katrien D'Hert put emphasis on leadership strategies, pointing out that gender is

not a women's issue — it is a leadership issue. Only when women are included can the armed forces be effective and efficient, Samira Rafaela stressed the need for role models and well thought through communication strategies. All this also applies to the corporate sector, as Caroline Cooper mentioned: When products and the customers change, it becomes a business imperative to have a diverse and inclusive workforce.

Appendix: Full Agenda

08h30 – 9h00 Arrival and Networking

9h00 Welcome and Ice Breaker

- Lora Berg, Senior Fellow, The German Marshall Fund of the United States (GMF)
- Emmanuel Jacob, President, EUROMIL

9h30- 10h15 Why Inclusive Leadership: Approaches in the United States and France

Inclusive leadership is a key competency for the success and sustainability of 21st century organizations. This opening session will introduce two case studies on how to build this competency in the security sector in the transatlantic context.

- Chevalier P. "Chevy" Cleaves, Inaugural U.S. Air Force Chief Diversity Officer, U.S. Air
- Elyamine Settoul, Associate Professor CNAM Paris, France
- Corinna Hörst, Deputy Director and Senior Fellow, GMF; and President, Women in International Security (WIIS) Brussels (moderator)

10h15 – 10h45 **Demographic Change as an Opportunity to Strengthen the Security Sectors**

Populations are growing rapidly more diverse on both sides of the Atlantic. This session will introduce data on the demographic context and what security institutions need to remain attractive employers and what planning is requires to demonstrate a commitment to recruitment, retention, and advancement of diverse personnel.

- Philippe Manigart, Head, Department of Behavioural Science, Royal Military Academy
- Emmanuel Jacob, President, EUROMIL (moderator)

10h45 – 11h00 Coffee break

11h00 – 12h15 Diversity and Inclusion: Process: Sector, Local, and National Force Perspectives

During this nuts and bolts panel, we will look at what really works to meet the commitment of increased diversity in security forces, across diversity factors.

- Caroline Cooper, Director of Europe, Raytheon International
- Katrien D'Hert, Lt. Col, Belgian Armed Forces and Chair of the NATO Committee on Gender Perspectives
- Samira Rafaela, Project Manager Inclusion, Dutch National Police, Diversity Ambassador of D66.



• Bruno Lete, Senior Fellow, GMF (moderator)

12h15 – 12h30 Concluding Remarks: Advancing Inclusive Leadership as a Daily Practice

• Teri Schultz, Journalist, Deutsche Welle

12h30 – 13h30 Lunch and Networking

Appendix: Budget

Item	Amount
Flight Chevalier Cleaves	2361.03 EUR
Washington - Brussels	
Train Elyamine Settoul	195.54 EUR
Paris - Brussels	
Train Samira Rafaela	Covered by EUROMIL
Amsterdam-Brussels	
Hotel Chevalier Cleaves	422.72 EUR
18-21st April	
Hotel Elyamine Settoul	164.24 EUR
18-19 th April	
Hotel Samira Rafaela	Covered by EUROMIL
18-19 th April	
Catering Esstragon	526.29 EUR
19 th April 40 people	
Honorarium Terri Schulz	400 EUR
19 th April	
Ground transportation	15 EUR
Elyamine Settoul	



Ground transportation	91 EUR
Chevy Cleaves	
Fruitbaskets	23,60 EUR
Breakfast: Croissants	52 EUR
TOTAL	4251.42 EUR

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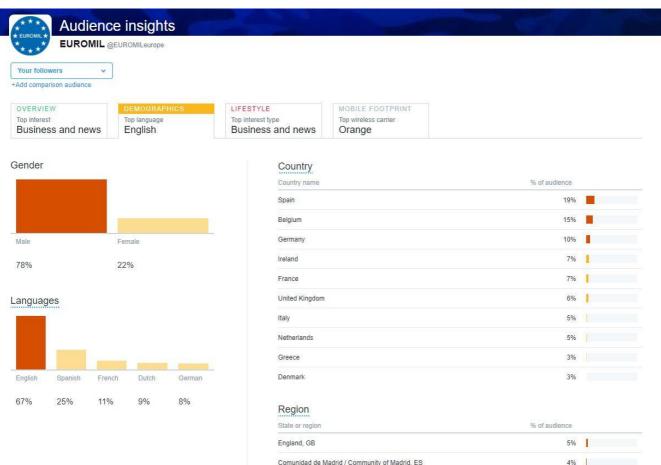


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#Security seminar "Mission critical" yesterday. A huge thank you to the big crowd of attendees, impressive speakers, co-organisers @GMFUS @EUROMILeurope, and @USNATO for their constant support. Let's keep up #DiverseForces conversation! pic.twitter.com/2quxyvt4qG



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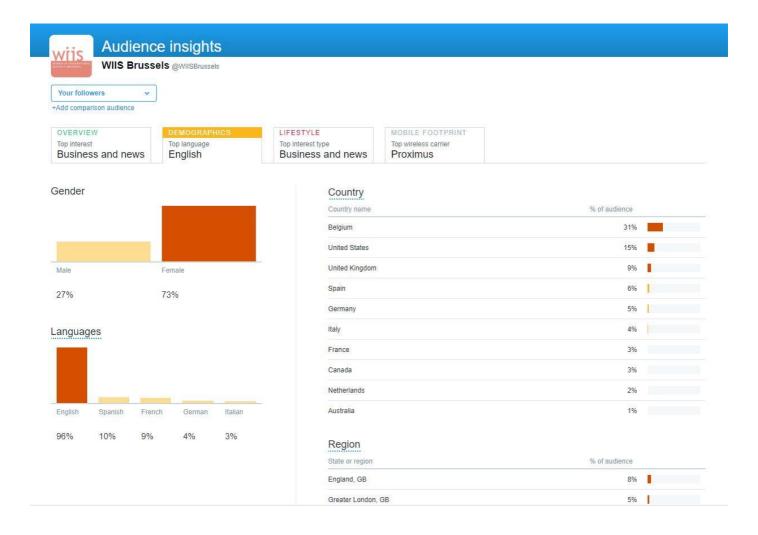
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