



Science & Technology for Defence: Luxury or Need?

Colloquium Programme – 7 March 2013

08.30 – 09.00: *Registration and coffee*

09.00 – 09.10: Welcome address
Colonel Corinne FAUT
Director-General of the Royal Higher Institute for Defence

09.10 – 09.30: **Keynote lecture: “On the use of Science & Technology for Society and Defence”**
Prof. dr. ir. Bart DE MOOR
Vice-Rector “International Policy” and “University and Society” at the Katholieke Universiteit Leuven

Session 1: Science and technology for Defence in an international context

09.30 – 09.50: **Science & Technology within NATO**
Major General Albert HUSNIAUX, MSc Eng
NATO Chief Scientist and Chairman of the Science & Technology Board (STB) of the NATO Science and Technology Organization

09.50 – 10.10: **Science & Technology for Defence in a European context**
Major General Christian BREANT, PhD
Director of Research and Technology, European Defence Agency

10.10 – 10.30: **Science & Technology strategy within the Dutch Armed Forces**
Mr Jelle KEUNING, MSc Eng
Director of Research and Development, The Netherlands Ministry of Defence

10.30 – 10.50: **The “Direction générale de l’Armement” and its vision on Science & Technology for Defence**
Mr Eric PLESKA, PhD
Deputy Head of “Mission pour la recherche et l’innovation scientifique”, “Direction générale de l’Armement”, French Ministry of Defence

10.50 – 11.10: *Panel Discussion on session 1*

11.10 – 11.30: Coffee/Tea time





Session 2: Science and technology for the Belgian Ministry of Defence

11.30 – 11.50: **Defence Science & Technology and the role of the Royal Military Academy**
Prof. dr. ir. John VANTOMME
Dean of professors at the Royal Military Academy and Head of the Department of Construction and Materials Engineering

11.50 – 12.10: **The match between Science & Technology and the Defence off-the-shelf policy**
Major General Marc THYS, MSc Eng
Head of the Systems Division of the Directorate General Material Resources

12.10 – 12.30: **On-going and future research in the chemical, biological, radiological & nuclear domain**
Colonel Jean-Luc GALA, MD, PhD
Director of the biology laboratory at the Defence Laboratory Department
Director of the Centre for Applied Molecular Technologies at Université catholique de Louvain

12.30 – 12.50: Panel Discussion on session 2

12.50 – 13.00: Closing remarks
Colonel Richard MARCHAL
Head of the Department Scientific and Technological Research of Defence
Royal Higher Institute for Defence

13.00 – 14.00: *Reception*