

# Education and Research at the Royal Military School







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### Introduction



#### Aims of the presentation:

- Show the restructuring of the education at the RMS in the framework of the Bologna process;
- ➤ Present the impact of the European research program on security (EPSR) on the research in the RMS.

# The RMS, institution of university level military education (law of August 1, 2006)

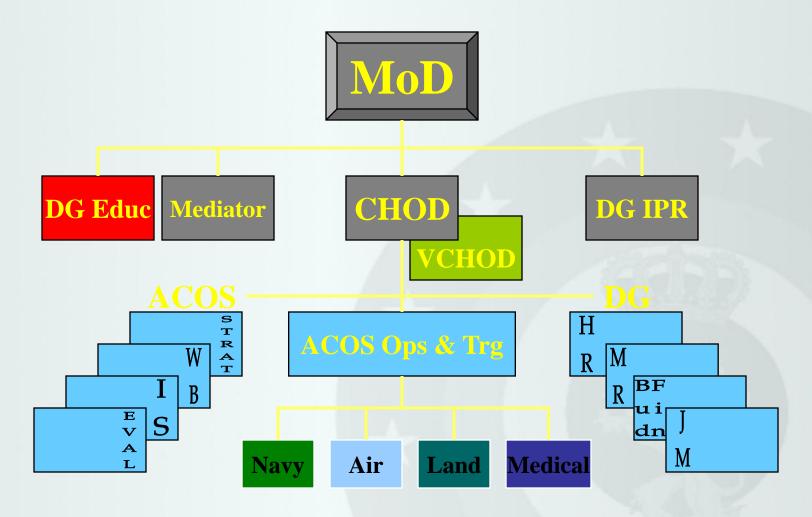
nucleus of a European synergy between military, naval and air force schools





### Belgian Defence



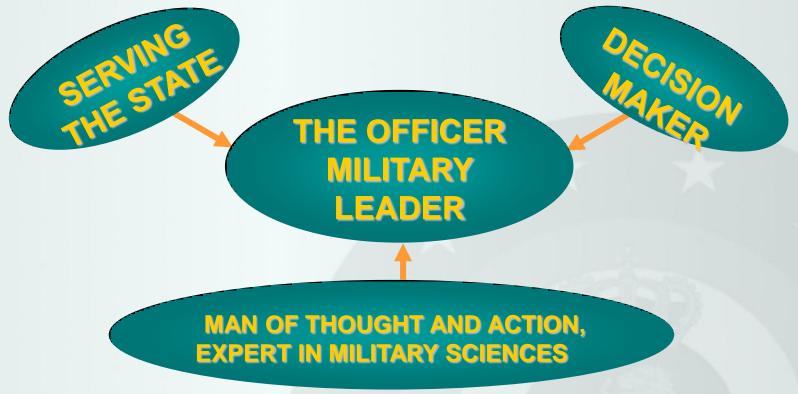






### **Educational Project**





GENERAL CULTURE

SENSE OF VALUES

CAPACITY FOR LEADERSHIP

PROFESSIONAL COMPETENCE







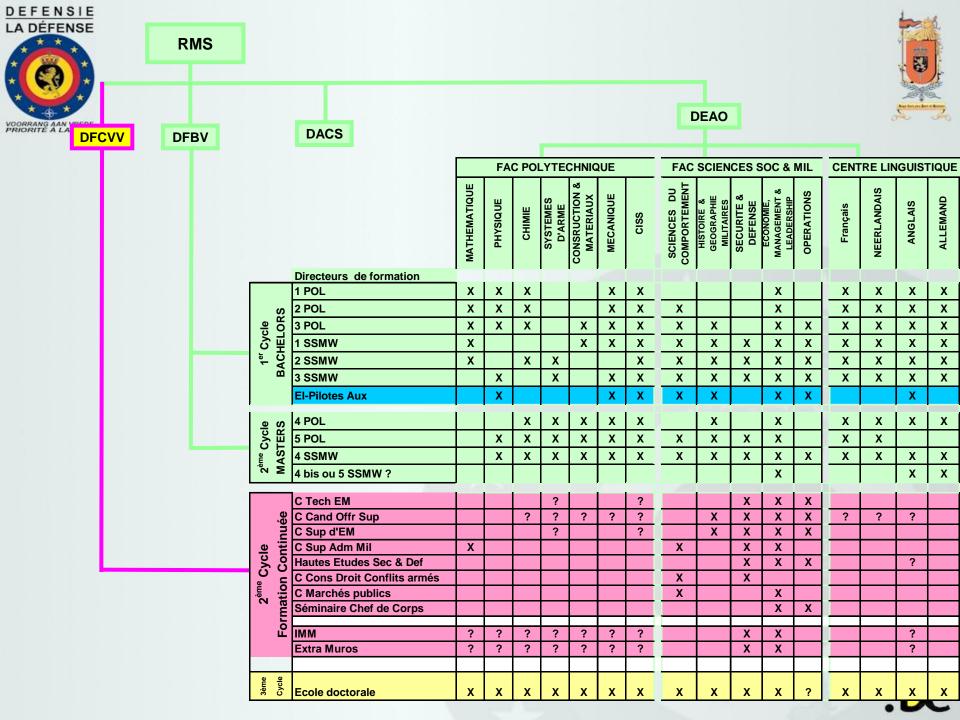
#### Mission of the School

Organic Law of the RMS of March 18, 1838

To assure in an integrated way

- Academic education
- Militairy education
- Physical education







### The academic year



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#### Caracteristics of the Military Education in the RMS



Simple
Small groups
Known environment & terrain
(Belgium)
National Languages



### Progressive





Hardening-stamina
Courage
(Commando B)
(Parachute B)

Complex
Platoon level (30 à 40 men)
Unknown Terrain
(Benin, Marocco,
Slovenia, Ireland)
International





The officer holds an **exemplary function** and must himself respect and make others respect the **values** and norms operative within the Armed Forces:





integrity, loyalty, sense of duty, openness, sense of responsibility, discipline, respect for himself and for others





### Bologne: Objective imposed by the Minister of Defence:



Integrate the RMS into the new scheme of the European higher education in 3 cycles (Bachelor, Master, Doctor)

Introduce quality control into education, research, laboratories

**Education: ISO 9001:2000** 

Research: ISO 9001:2000

Laboratories; ISO 17025









### As a result, the RMS ...



- Intensifies the exchanges of students and lecturers
  - with other military, naval and air academies at university level, e.g. the schools of the DGA in France
  - with Belgian, European and foreign universities.
- Focuses its research
  - on centres of excellence in the field of security and defence;
  - preferably oriented at the benefit of Europe

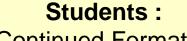




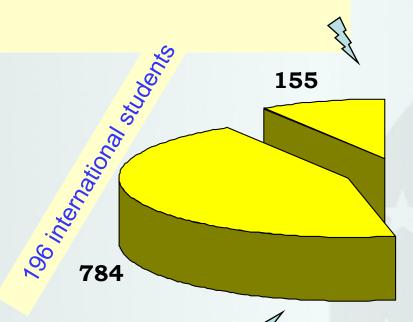
### Personnel at the RMS



Situation february 2007



**Continued Formation** 



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Instructors, professors,

researchers, adm & log, ...

Student :

**Basic** Formation





### RMS and the world











# Inserting the RMS in the new landscape of the European higher education





### **Habilitation**

### Law of Sep 11, 1933 on the protection of titles of the higher education - Modification of Nov 25, 2004

(MB 15/12/2004)

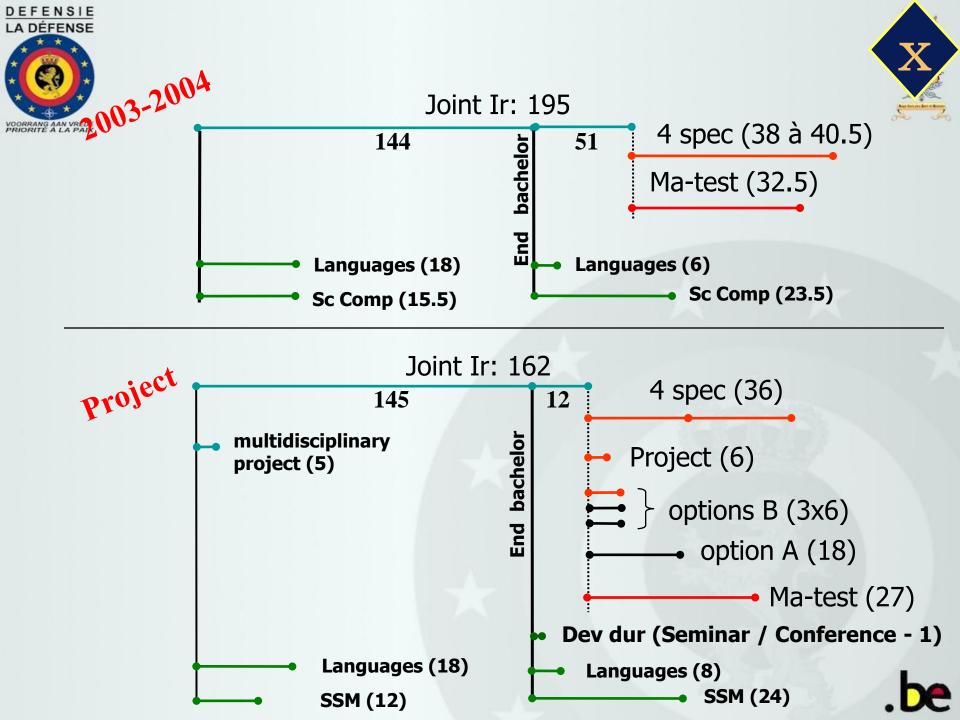
Art 1, III, d, was completed with the next article:

« May be granted the title of bachelor in engineering science or in social and military sciences,

or of master in engineering sience or master of arts in social and military sciences, or of master in military engineering science, or of master of arts in political and military sciences or of master of arts in public and military administration, or of doctor in applied sciences or of doctor in social and military sciences,

those who have obtained the degrees of the these titles at the Royal Military School.»





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**BACHELOR SSMW 3.5.4** 

**TECHNICAL (45 ECTS)** 

**MANAGEMENT (21 ECTS)** 

**LAW (12 ECTS)** 

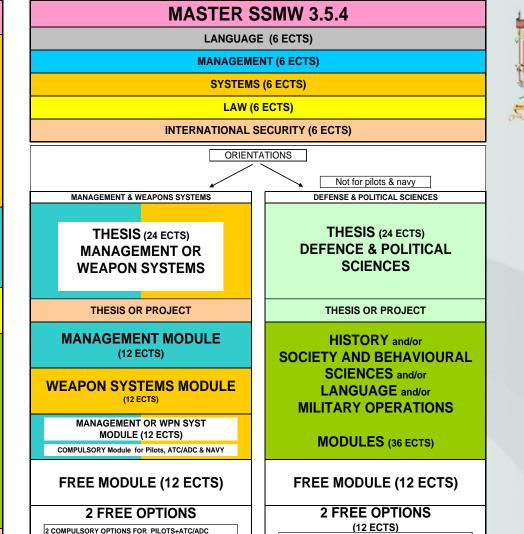
SOCIETY AND BEHAVIOURAL SCIENCES (51 ECTS)

**MILITARY SCIENCES (12 ECTS)** 

**LANGUAGES (21 ECTS)** 

**6 FREE OPTIONS (18 ECTS)** 

COMPULSORY OPTIONS FOR PILOTS AND NAVY





1 COMPULSORY OPTION FOR MEDIC. STUDENTS

2 COMPULSORY OPTIONS FOR NAVY

1 COMPULSORY OPTION FOR MEDICAL





### ACADEMIC education of PILOTS (officers)



Polytechnic Faculty: (19) – 5 years and 3 months

Faculty of Social and Military Sciences (45) – 5 years

Auxiliary Pilots (Prom Pil) (31) – 1 year

- Responsibility of Department Air Operations (DAir)
- 70% courses in synergy SSMW-Prom Pil -> gain 8 months of Fmn for the Pilots SSMW and POL
- Equivalence of military pilot license with civilian license (RD)
   (European Norms: Joint Aviation Requirement Flight Crew licensing)
- > Cooperation with l'Ecole de l'Air (FR) -> E-learning

See website RMS : <u>www.rma.ac.be</u> > DEAO > DAir





### Initial ACADEMIC education of AIR CONTROL officers



Faculty of Social and Military Sciences (9) – 5 years (starting from 3th year)

Auxiliary (Prom ATC) (10 El) – 1 an

- Responsibility of the Department Operations Air (DOps-Air)
- > 60% of courses in synergy Prom ATC Prom Pil -> gain in personnel
- > 80% of courses in synergy Prom ATC SSMW -> gain of 1 year of Fmn for the ATC SSMW
- Valorization of the military brevet ATC
  Eurocontrol norms: "Guidelines for ATCO Common Core Content"



### Academic education of navy students

- Academic education at the RMS
  - Polytechnic faculty
  - Faculty of Social and Militairy Sciences



Application to military, maritime and naval problems

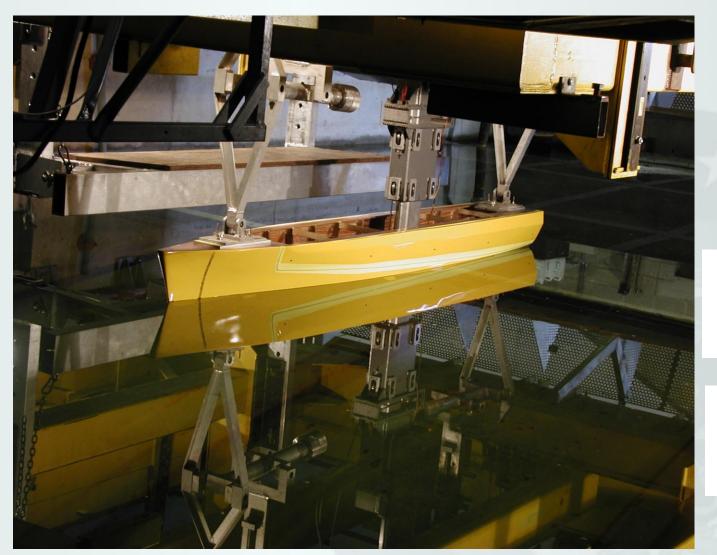
- Naval instruction at the "Application school of the Navy" (OCA)
  - Certification "STCW" <u>Standards and Training</u>
     <u>Certification for Watchkeeping for Seafarers</u> IMO (International Maritime Organization) to be Watch Officer
  - "Navalisation"





### Laboratory of hydrodynamics ULg















# Future perspectives for the shipbuilding



- Contacts with BREST (FR):
  - L'Ecole nationale supérieure des ingénieurs des études et techniques d'armement (ENSIETA)
     March 2006

L'Ecole navaleOctober 2005



In the light of creating a European Master in shipbuilding





### International cooperation







• Netherlands: Since 1997, the RMS organises a year of ballistics training for the Adelborsten (students of the Koninklijk Instituut voor de Marine) leading up to their Master and training sessions for the students of the Koninklijke Militaire Academie de Breda.





- France: Since 1995, the RMS welcomes in its laboratories students from Saint-Cyr and since 2002 students of the Ecole de l'Air for a practical in their 2nd year of for their engineering project in their 3rd year;
- since 2002, the RMS sends some of its students to the Ecole de l'Air to finish their dissertation there;
- since 2004, the RMS welcomes students from Saint-Cyr, reading behavioural sciences, for a semester.





### Air and Spaceflight Lucht- en Ruimtevaart (LuRu)



- The RMS offers courses of
  - Helicopters (3 ECTS) P. Hendrick
  - Aircraft Performance (2 ECTS) W. Bosschaerts
- The KU-Leuven and the VUB exchange courses of
  - Turboreactors
  - Turbopropulsers (turboprops)
- The ULB offers
  - Aircraft Propulsion (5 ECTS) P. Hendrick
  - Aircraft Flight Dynamics (3 ECTS) G. Degrez









### The RMS

The nucleus of a European research center of excellence

in matters of security and defense



### Researchers DEAO: 80 (Dec 2006)



Civil service: 1

•	Under contract	Defense	46
•		Euratom	16
•		Renaissance	16
•		Patrimoine	1

Countries of origine (since 1997):

Algaria, Germany, Brasil, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Colombia, Congo (RDC), Croatia, Spain, France, Greece, Israel, Laos, Morocco, Niger, Rumania, United Kingdom, Rwanda, Togo, USA.





### PhD's at the RMS 1946 – 12 March 2007



	Total	<b>Presented</b>	In work				
Polytechnic faculty	102	84	18				
In common		4	18				
M. Idesbald van den Bosch – UCL-ERM 27/01/2006  Mme le Capt d'Avi M. Vandewal – VUB-KMS – 15/09/2006  M. le Capt d'Avi E. Colon – VUB-KMS – 28/11/2006  M. le Capt D. Lecompte – VUB-KMS – 12/09/2006							
Faculty SSMW	24	15	9				
In common			9				
Language center	8	6	2				
Total	134	105	29				



### PhD projects RMS 12 Mar 07



#### Polytechnic faculty: 18

UCL Gilles, Lopera, Druyts

**UGent** Vergote

**ULg** Neyt, Denis

**KUL** Vanderhasten, Van Utterbeek, Lauwens

VUB Giannopoulos, Suy, Harri

**ULB** Herbiet, Recker, Vandeveld, Santafé

Ecole Centrale de Lyon, VKI, Marinus

ENSupTélécom Thonnard

#### Faculty SSMW:

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**ULB** Resteigne, Leroy

**KUL** Quanten

VUB Gerits, Rabaey, Pattyn, Hallot

Ecole Polytechnique de Palaiseau De Smet

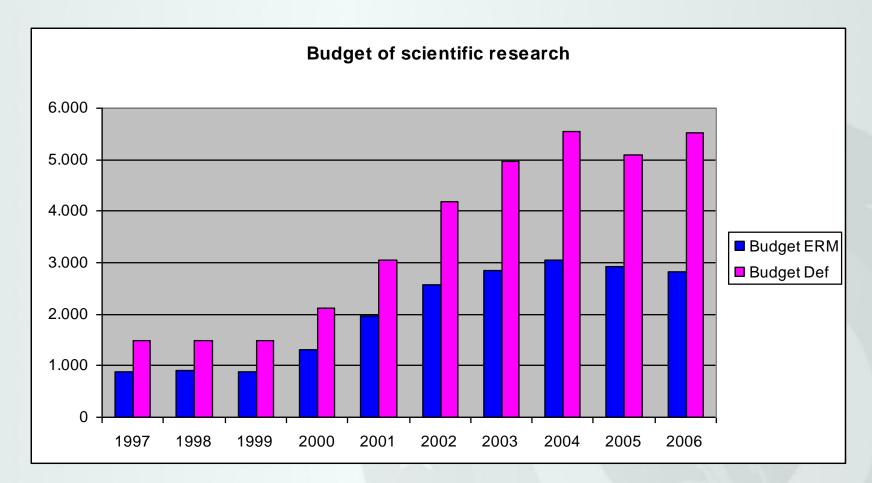
**UA** Van Der Linden





# Evolution of the Research Budget 1997-2006





In 2006 : Defence = 5530 k€

RMS = 2835 k€





#### Research policy of the RMS



#### Goals

- ➤ In strategic plan of the BE Defense, Chap VIII (Prg RS&TD)
  - ✓ Optimalization of the academic education at the RMS
  - ✓ Promotion of the behavioural sciences
  - ✓ Operational readiness of existing weapon systems
  - ✓ Technical-operational evaluation of new systems
  - ✓ Protection of the nation against emerging threats
- > Cited in the European program on security research (EPSR)
  - ✓ Protection of the member States against emerging threats
  - ✓ Security of EU units in peace keeping missions
  - ✓ Development of the EU defense industry
  - ✓ Development of a long term vision on security issues





### Research policy of the RMS



### **Method**: Reach the European level of excellence and the critical mass of researchers by establishing:

- > A limited number of thematic poles
- ➤ Well-chosen interdisciplinary and interuniversity partnerships
- ➤ Synergies with other European partners in order to avoid fragmentation and duplication of research efforts

### Specifically:

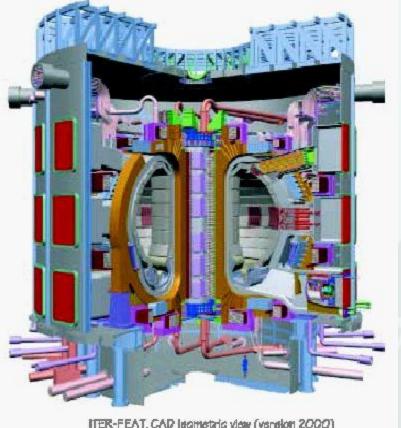
- ✓ European pole on nuclear fission (LPP)
- ✓ Signal and Image treatment Center (SIC)
- ✓ Dynamic behaviour of materials for security applications (DYMASEC)
- ✓ Land, air and naval mobility (MOBINISS)
- ✓ Risk and crisis management (SSMW)





### Recreating the sun on earth in the LPP





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THE sustainable energy: unlimited, reliable and respectful for the environment

The laboratory of Plasma Physics of the RMS develops heating systems for Textor (Juelich), JET and ITER

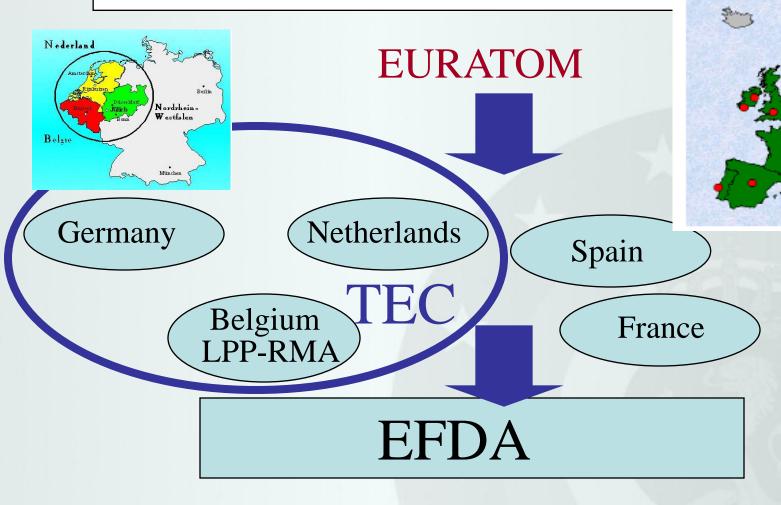
25 PhD theses in LPP





# The (inter)national context





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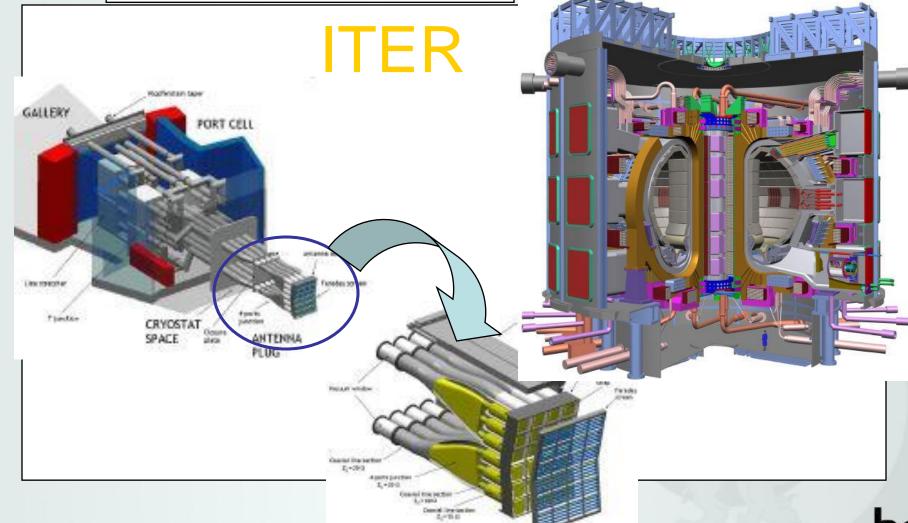
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# From European to global level









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- From Toxics toExplosives toDynamic of structure
- In support of PhD (Capt Simoens)
- Collaboration with Osaka University





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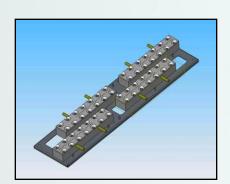


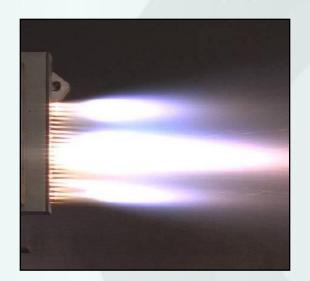














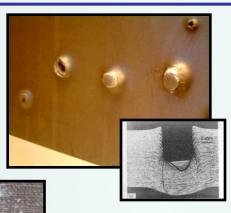




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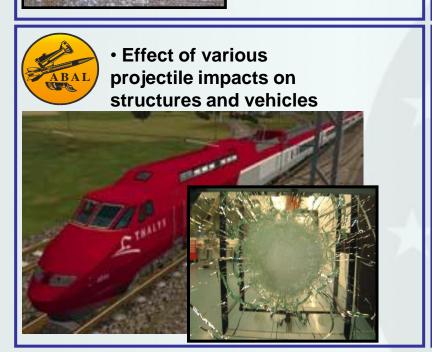
#### SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH FOR SECURITY

 Mechanical and microstructural behavior of materials



 Composite protective clothing for deminers







### DEFENSIE LA DÉFENSE

#### SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH FOR SECURITY

#### **Aircraft Bird Impact**



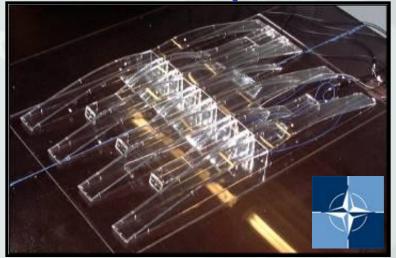
# Protecting People & Materials



#### **Force Protection European Quarters**



#### **Scale Model Analysis NATO HQ**



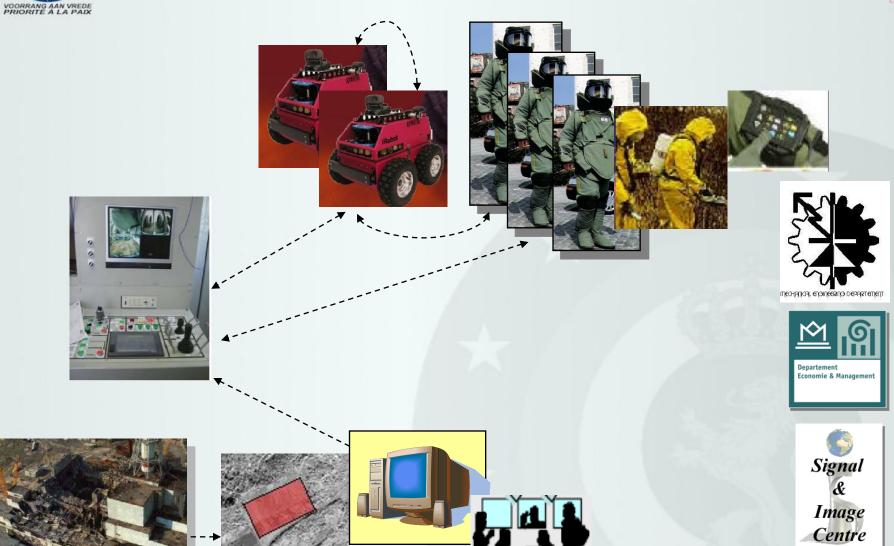




#### MOBINISS: VIEW-FINDER











# Example of scientific study oriented towards security and teaching support

Military operations in Congo in 1964: an example of cooperation after the decolonization







#### Fundamental study in security

#### Centre for the Study of Stress and Trauma of the RMS

- •The domain of research and expertise of the CEST: psychological trauma in high risk professions:
- •military, firefighters, police, paramedics, ER-personnel, wardens, journalists, etc.













# Impact of the Ghislenghien disaster on first aid personnel Firefighters – Police – Civil Protection















## Exemples of fundamental scientific studies concerning security in the Department of Behavioural sciences





Study of the day-to-day life, the well-being and the psycho-social aid of military personnel in operations and their families (ERM/HF-04)

Partner: KMA Breda (Sociale en Gedragswetenschappen en Wijsbegeerte Departement)



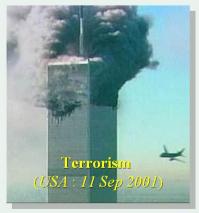






### Developing a robust network of crisis management organisations















## Disruptive crisis









Individual Crisis Mgt Organisations may no longer be operational





#### Research on

### Risk-, crisis and disaster-management

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#### Scientific studies

- Performance Management in Defence Risk-, Crisis-and Disaster management: Prof LEYSEN, Maj BAM DE SMET, L. VAN NUFFEL
- GMOSS (Global Monitoring for Security and Stability)

Joint PhD: H. De Smet

- Ecole Polytechnique (PALAISEAU): Prof LAGADEC
- RMS: Prof LEYSEN

#### In cooperation with:

 Ecole Spéciale Militaire (Saint-Cyr / Coëtquidan): Prof DANET, Prof DUTHEIL



Katholieke Universiteit Leuven: Instituut voor de Overheid











Ouestions,

Vragen?

Fracen.



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Questions?

C.D. COUNTAS,

