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ECHO Training Sessions for the European Commission

GEOS delivers safety/security training to the 500 personnel of the Directorate-General ECHO (European Community Humanitarian Organization) of the European Commission.

Since 2009, 7 HEAT (Hostile Environment Awareness Training) standard training sessions are given each year in 7 different countries over a 3–year period.

What is DG ECHO ?

The European Union has mandated ECHO (European Commission Humanitarian aid Office) to procure and facilitate the provision of emergency relief to victims of natural disasters and armed conflict.

The European Commission is one of the world's main humanitarian donors.

In the event of a natural disaster or armed conflict, the European Commission delivers emergency humanitarian assistance to victims. To this end, humanitarian relief personnel of the ECHO (European Commission Humanitarian aid Office) programmes require HEAT (Hostile Environment Awareness Training) standard training.

What services does GEOS provide?

GEOS is delivering 21 training sessions to ECHO personnel over a 3-year period, in 7 countries across the globe (India, Jordan, Thailand, Nicaragua, Belgium, Senegal, Kenya). The objective is to train 500 personnel in basic safety and security rules, and to foster an effective security culture.

What type of training does GEOS give?

Over one week, GEOS delivers 12 courses on safety and security to an average of twenty trainees. Subjects covered include basic security principles, crisis management, rescue service, humanitarian law, as well as the use of communications equipment and transport.

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About GEOS

GEOS is an international group, and the leading risk management and prevention provider in continental Europe.

The Group delivers operational support to clients operating in hostile business environments, with a comprehensive package of solutions ranging from audit, consultancy, assistance to crisis management. GEOS enables its clients to take advantage of business opportunities and to better assess and control both international (political, security, terrorist), and business risk (competition, white collar crime, fraud, counterfeiting).

GEOS in 2010:

480 full-time staff, a turnover of more than 41 million euro in 2009, operations in more than 80 countries, 18 international branches (Algeria, Colombia, Nigeria, Brazil, Mexico, Iraq, Argentina, etc.) and many clients from all sectors of activity.