



Partnership for Peace and Outreach
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**INVITATION TO THE 2010 WORKSHOP
TAKING PLACE FROM 17 TO 21 NOVEMBER 2010
IN SOFIA – BULGARIA**

“Reserve associations – Herald of operational reservists”

It is the great honour of Lieutenant General Stoyan TOPALOV, president of the Bulgarian reserve officers association, colonel Konstantin POPOV, Bulgarian CIOR Vice President and lieutenant colonel Loïc CONQUER, president of the PFP and Outreach committee to invite you to the next committee workshop.

The workshop will take place from Wednesday 17 November to Sunday 21 November at the **Bulgarian Red Cross training centre** located in the vicinity of Sofia. A full day of the workshop will take place in **Plovdiv** where a **visit of the Special Forces Brigade** is planned as well as local further meetings and visits.

As mentioned in the title of this invitation, the theme of the 2010 workshop will be the support given by the reserve associations to the operational reservists primarily but also to all branches of reservists. **Working sub group will address the following issues;**

- Laws supporting reserves (BG, GER, US, FRA)
- Legitimacy and legal structure of ROAs
- Relationship between national ROAs and the political and military authorities
- ROA's contribution to recruitment
- Contribution to civilian reinsertion
- International activities of ROAs

We expect a participation of two to three participants per country and your delegation could include one representative of your MOD. The registration fee has been minimized to the amount of **350 euros all inclusive** (Participant file, four nights, all meals including dress evening and Plovdiv day). A special funding has been settled to **participate up to 100 euros** to the participants for whom their VPs would request this support. In order to encourage early registration, a special price of **300 euros will be applied to all answers received before 30 September.**

As well as Major Dimitar POPOV, secretary of the Committee, I am at your disposal for any clarification and suggestion for enhancement of the workshop content. After the successful 2009 summer congress, you will with no doubt enjoy the Bulgarian hospitality and find the most serene working environment.

Expecting your registration soon!

Lieutenant colonel Loïc CONQUER, PFP and Outreach Committee chairman