

# NCS College 2018 used AURA software for the training

The 4<sup>th</sup> International Codification Courses were held at the University of Defence in Brno under the aegis of its rector in August and September this year, this time entitled “NCS College together”. The courses were organised by the University of Defence together with the National Codification Bureau of the Czech Republic – organizationally, informationally, by lecturing and financially supported by the company AURA, s.r.o. from Brno.



## NCS College together

This year's International NCS College was held with close cooperation with state institutions and private companies, exactly in the spirit of the strategy and tactics of the synergic interconnection of these subjects bound by a contract, with the aim of achievement of an optimal result. The University of Defence ensured the needed academic spaces with the highest possible certification for successful attendants, the National Codification Bureau of the Czech Republic, which operates within the Ministry of De-

fence ensured the indispensable quality and observing the military and codification rules. AURA supplied its own information system for codification MC CATALOGUE that is currently the most used worldwide, within the NATO Codification System it is used in 20 countries already.

Thanks to this collective effort of the state institutions and the private companies the International Codification Courses held in Czechia differentiate from other international courses, performed exclusively by non-private institutions on virtual artificial soft-

ware only simulate real systems common conception, the 100<sup>th</sup> student of the Brno Codification Courses for Managers, Logisticians and Codifiers, which had been attended by students from almost 30 countries of the world in total, was certified this year.

## Focus of the Brno codification courses

The international codification courses held at the University of Defence in Brno are divided into preparation of managers and logisticians concerned with materiel and services codification issues at armed forces



(Courses for Managers and Logisticians) and training of the staff effecting directly the codification processes (Courses for Codifiers). It is not always the case, however attending both courses, especially by students from the countries yet entering the NATO Codification System, is proving very advantageous – first general course and then the specific one. 11 students of the Course for Managers and Logisticians (4 from the private sphere and 7 from state institutions), 9 learners of the Course for Codifiers (4 from the state institutions and 4 private ones) from 9 different countries successfully completed the courses this year. In similar way was conceived also the composition of the lecturing and moderating staff according to “halb um halb” principal – 5 from the University of Defence and the National Codification Bureau of the Czech Republic and 5 from AURA and AllanWebb. The lecturer and moderator of the Course for Managers and Logisticians was excellent former director of the National Codification Bureau of the United Kingdom and former long-time chairman of the National Directors on Codification Allied Committee 135 (AC/135) George Bond. As the students and lecturers, there were officers and civilians from Afghanistan, NATO structures, Saudi Arabia, Scotland, Sweden, the USA and of course from the Czechia sitting next to each other. Keep on like this!

**Why to go to Czechia to the University of Defence for codification?**

In the whole history of the four years of the international codification courses in Brno first supported by USA and a promise that NCS College would be taken in turns with the NCB College in Battle Creek, later with par-

ticipation of the AC/135 and finally under exclusive coordination of Czechia and considerable foreign lecturers and the Allan Web company, it is proved that a great advantage and attractor for students representing the state and private sector is the lecturing and training by experienced and skilled lecturers in a real codification software. It is currently the most worldwide used information system MC CATALOGUE, developed and supplied by AURA company. The connection of industry and state institutions seems to be optimal also for schooling and training of the codification staff. It is worth noting that also other suppliers of codification software are invited to the NCS College. Academic space, where the codification courses take place and the participation of the National

Codification Bureau of the Czech Republic ensure university certificates with high international value for the students. Brno, Praha and other regions of the Czech Republic where the schooling, training and accompanying course activities take place enter indelibly to the students’ minds. The last courses were marked by the students in 7 areas evaluated with 1.17, respectively 1.07 and recommended to coworkers. Some student repeatedly come back to the NCS College in Brno. We will deal with the NCS College 2020 successfully again and we will prepare next managers, logisticians and codifiers for accomplishing the NATO Codification System!

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