



# Euronaval - 22-26 October 2012

International Defense Expo  
Office of Defense Cooperation, US Embassy Paris

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**The Office of Defense Cooperation (ODC), France,** welcomes you on behalf of U.S. European Command and the U.S. Ambassador to France. Our mission is to facilitate the long-term U.S. - French defense relationship by promoting cooperation and interoperability between U.S., NATO, and French forces. To this end, we are ready to assist all official DoD / U.S. Government guests in establishing contact with our host nation's military acquisition and industry leaders.

Euronaval is an occasion to promote U.S. security interests and illustrate our commitment to NATO and allied interoperability. It also offers an excellent opportunity to forge coalition partnerships for the future. America's defense industries play a significant role in this effort as they display their newest products to a worldwide audience.

**EURONAVAL 2012:** Euronaval is the world's premier naval and maritime security trade show. 2012 marks the 23<sup>rd</sup> Euronaval exposition since its establishment. This year, over one hundred countries are expected to be represented by high-level delegations and over 400 worldwide vendors are expected.

## **IMPORTANT! 3 Actions Required**

**Action #1- Registration with ODC France:** Use this form to register your participation with ODC France:

<https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=117301&k=0360450A7B56>

**Action #2- Reserve your Hotel Room:** ODC France will send you the reservation form for the official DoD / U.S. Government hotel (the Grand Hotel Intercontinental) form via email upon completion of your ODC France registration. Use the form to submit your room request directly to the hotel. Further hotel information is in Section 1 below.

**Action #3- Submit your Country Clearance and apply for your Visa:** further information in Section 3 below.

## **INFORMATION**

### **1. Hotel Information** [Back to top](#)

**The Grand Hotel Intercontinental** in Paris' 9<sup>th</sup> Arrondissement has been designated the official hotel for DoD, VIP, and distinguished visitors. The Grand Hotel Intercontinental is part of the Holiday Inn family of hotels. This facility is cleared for security purposes and meets EUCOM force protection requirements. Lodging in this hotel is therefore most strongly encouraged. To reserve you and your party's rooms at the hotel, please complete the ODC France registration form (link above) and ODC France will send you a form to fill out and send directly to the hotel. The form includes additional information about cancellation policy and minimum stay requirements. Hotel reservations can be cancelled or modified up until 15 July 2012. After that date, certain restrictions begin to apply. ODC France can provide further details.

Should you choose to stay elsewhere, you will not be able to take advantage of the negotiated group rate that ODC France has put into place, you may not be in accordance with the Combatant Commander's force protection requirements and you will not be provided government-bus transportation to the show.

**Per-Diem:** Hotel rates at the Grand Hotel Intercontinental start at 350 Euros / night (about \$450 at today's exchange rate.) Current Paris per-diem rates are \$384 for lodging and \$164 for meals and incidentals. The current exchange rate for US currency to Euros can be found by using the following website: [http://web.rm.state.gov/exchange/Currency\\_Exchange.cfm](http://web.rm.state.gov/exchange/Currency_Exchange.cfm) The Director of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency should approve an Actual Expense Allowance (AEA) for lodging for Euronaval 2012 in excess of the standard per diem rate. This should be in effect in Paris from one week prior to and one week following the show. Once approved, a copy of the AEA memorandum will be included with your welcome packet at the ODC France Welcome Desk, or by email request from ODC France.

**Breakfast:** Your room rate at the Grand Hotel Intercontinental includes breakfast each morning in the lobby restaurant, or in the 'Café de la Paix' attached to the hotel. Your room rate does not include breakfast ordered via room service. At breakfast, you will be given a bill from the restaurant; please sign it, indicating your room number, and it will then be zeroed-out on your overall room bill from the hotel.

## 2. Welcome Desk: [Back to top](#)

Check-in will be assisted at the Grand Hotel Intercontinental, located at 2 Rue Scribe, Paris 75009, on Sunday, 21 October, with the presence of the ODC France Welcome Desk in the main lobby. This should facilitate your check-in and provide the opportunity to acquire up-to-date information regarding the show. ODC France will distribute individual badges to the show at that time as well as provide a welcome packet of Euronaval 2012 and Paris visitor's information to all registered official DoD / US Government visitors at that time, regardless of whether you have a room reserved at the Grand Hotel Intercontinental or not.

**Badges will not be distributed by mail or on-site at the show.**

## 3. Passport, Visa, and Country Clearances [Back to top](#)

**Passports** All official DoD / US Government visitors are required to comply with the DoD Foreign Clearance Guide available at <https://www.fcg.pentagon.mil/>. Unlike other European countries, official visitors on non-NATO business are required to travel to France on their 'no-fee' passports. (i.e. 'official' or 'diplomatic')

\*\*\*Note, for uniformed service members, travelling on NATO orders is acceptable **with a valid military picture ID.**

**Visas** All official DoD / US Government visitors also required to obtain a no-fee visa for their visit to France for Euronaval. Again, please review and comply with the DoD Foreign Clearance Guide.

**Country Clearances** All who attend Euronaval, meet with host nation counterparts or host nation industry must submit a request for country clearance. **DoD personnel should use the Automated Clearance System (APACS) at <https://apacs.dtic.mil/apacs/apacsservlet?cmd=apacsLogin>** The Defense Attaché is Office (DAO) is responsible for approving APACS. Please contact either SFC Glenn via email at [glennad@state.gov](mailto:glennad@state.gov) or by phone at +33 1 4312 2825 or OCS Lessenberry via email at [lessenberrydl@state.gov](mailto:lessenberrydl@state.gov) or by phone at +33 1 4312 2578; otherwise you may also send an email to the DAO mail box at [PARISDAO@STATE.GOV](mailto:PARISDAO@STATE.GOV)

Non-DoD personnel may use the electronic Country Clearance (eCC) system at <http://ecc.state.gov> The Office of Defense Cooperation (ODC) has approving authority for eCC. If you have questions, please contact Mr. Gilles Spencer Roserens via email at [RoserensGS@state.gov](mailto:RoserensGS@state.gov) or by phone at +33 1 4312 2609.

Country clearance requests should be processed NLT 15 September 2012. When filling out your Country Clearance, please make sure that you use the words: 'Euronaval 2012' as the 'purpose' of your stay in France.

It is advisable to maintain photocopies of your travel documents (passport, visa, or travel orders & ID) available to you at all times in case of loss or theft.

## 4. Schedule of Events [Back to top](#)

Sunday, 21 October

09.00 - 18.00 Welcome Desk: Grand Hotel Intercontinental, located at 2 Rue Scribe, Paris 75009

Monday, 22 October - Day 1

06:30 - 08:30 - Breakfast at your leisure at the Grand Hotel

12:00 - Euronaval open to US official visitors

18.00 - Euronaval closes to visitors

19.00 - US Ambassador's official reception (invitation only)

Tuesday, 23 October - Day 2

06:30 - 08:30 - Breakfast at your leisure at the Grand Hotel

07:00 - Euronaval open to US official visitors

09:15 - Euronaval official opening ceremony

15.00 - Presentation: "The Navy, an operational force even in peacetime" Admiral Bernard ROGEL, French Navy Chief of Staff

18.00 - Euronaval closes to visitors

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Wednesday, 24 October - Day 3

06:30 - 08:30 - Breakfast at your leisure at the Grand Hotel

07:00 - Euronaval open to US official visitors

10.30 - Presentation: "Securiting the oceans" Patrick BOISSIER, CEO of DCNS Shipbuilders

18.00 - Euronaval closes to visitors

Thursday, 25 October - Day 4

06:30 - 08:30 - Breakfast at your leisure at the Grand Hotel

07:00 - Euronaval open to US official visitors

10.30 - Presentation: "State action at sea & economic development" Michel AYMERIC, French Government's Secretary General to the Sea

18.00 - Euronaval closes to visitors

Friday, 26 October - Day 5

06:30 - 08:30 - Breakfast at your leisure at the Grand Hotel

07:00 - Euronaval open to US official visitors

16.00 - Euronaval closes to visitors

\*\*\*This program is subject to further changes

## **5. Show Badges** [Back to top](#)

An official Euronaval badge is required to gain entry to the exhibition site at Le Bourget. ODC France will process badges for official DoD/US Government visitors upon receipt of a valid Country Clearance Message. To ensure you receive a badge, submit your country clearance request as soon as possible. These badges will be distributed at the ODC France Welcome Desk at the Grand Hotel Intercontinental, located at 2 Rue Scribe, Paris 75009 on the Sunday before the show commences. (details in section 1 above)

\*\*\*Note: Euronaval's organizers may demand a government-issued photo ID (DoD CAC Card, Passport, Driver's License, etc) be presented to permit entrance to the show site.

## **6. Transportation** [Back to top](#)

US Government bus transportation to the show will not be provided.

Transportation to the show from the hotel via public transit or taxis is easily accessible. For those who have never visited or are unfamiliar with subway/train (RER) use, visit the Paris public transportation website: <http://www.ratp.fr/>. This website can provide directions from your hotel to any address in Paris.

If transiting in uniform, be sure to use a taxi, as using public transit while in uniform is highly discouraged. Further information about transportation can be found within the welcome packet you will receive upon arrival.

## **7. Uniform Policy** [Back to top](#)

Personal security is the primary factor in formulating uniform policy for Euronaval. On Day 1, Monday, 22 October, all US military in attendance are expected to dress in service Class A, with jacket and tie or equivalent. On all other days of the trade show, all military can anticipate Class B, short sleeve, open collar (Class C for the USMC). For civilian attendees, normal daily attire is business suit with tie. Depending on the host and venue, evening events can be either in Class A or business suit with tie.

Those in uniform who find themselves forced to use public transportation (bus, train, metro) are encouraged to wear a non-descript overcoat or jacket, per local force protection guidance.

## **8. Official and Industry Receptions** [Back to top](#)

Official and industry receptions are by invitation only. Your host should inform you if you are invited to these events. Transportation to/from these private events is not provided through ODC France. For those

in uniform, taxi is the recommended means of transportation for these events. Spouses are typically not invited to attend these events.

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The US Embassy is neither a service facility nor open to the public. Access is controlled for security reasons and limited to official business.

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Additional Euronaval 2012 information is available at the following sites:

Euronaval 2012 show organizer's home page in English:

<http://www.euronaal.fr/>

State Department travel information for France:

<http://www.state.gov/r/pa/ei/bgn/3842.htm>

English language information about France:

<http://www.francetourism.com/>

Local transportation information:

<http://www.ratp.fr/>

<http://www.airfrance.com/>

#### **11. Point of Contact** [Back to top](#)

Please address all initial contact to ODC France by email at: <[odcfrtradeshows@state.gov](mailto:odcfrtradeshows@state.gov)>

Please read this informational webpage in its entirety before contacting ODC France with questions.