



Together for a Stable and Safe Iraq



European Union Advisory Mission  
in Iraq

## WHO WE ARE



At the request of the Iraqi government, the European Union (EU) established in 2017 a civilian advisory mission “EUAM Iraq” to support an **Iraqi-led and Iraqi-owned security sector reform process** towards stability and sustainable peace.

EUAM Iraq’s approach includes **empowerment, strengthening women’s participation and respect for human rights** to promote the development of **effective, inclusive, and accountable security actors** at the service of the population.

### EUAM Iraq in a nutshell

- Established: October 2017
- Current Mandate: 1 May 2024 to 30 April 2026



#### STAFF

International: 85  
National: 32



#### Head of Mission

Anders Wiberg



#### Location

Baghdad & Erbil



## OUR PARTNERS

The **key Iraqi partners** are the Ministry of Interior, the National Security Advisory as well as other state and non-state institutions and organisations involved in the civilian security sector reform.

EUAM Iraq’s **headquarters is located in Baghdad**. We also have a regional **presence in Erbil**, the capital of the Kurdistan Region of Iraq. In addition, the Mission engages in outreach at the Governorate level to enhance delivery of its Federal level mandate.



## HOW WE WORK



Joining the Mission from a wide range of EU countries, EUAM Iraq's Senior Strategic Advisers possess considerable professional experience in their respective fields of expertise. The Iraqi Mission members with their professional background and local knowledge enable a close partnership with the Iraqi partners.

Our work is mostly carried out through advisory meetings, workshops and study trip. We also facilitate EU programmes.



## OUR AREAS OF WORK

EUAM Iraq follows the principle of local ownership and provides strategic advice and assistance in a wide range of security-related areas prioritised by the Iraqi partners:



### THEMATIC AREAS AND PRIORITIES

- 🛡️ National Security Strategy
- 🛡️ Security Sector Reform Coordination
- 🛡️ National Security Legislation
- 🛡️ Command & Control and Crisis Management
- 🛡️ Human Resource Management
- 🛡️ Cultural Heritage Protection
- 🛡️ Human Rights and Women's Participation
- 🛡️ Countering Terrorism and Violent Extremism
- 🛡️ Countering Organised Crime and Narcotics
- 🛡️ Integrated Border Management

## EUAM IRAQ WITHIN THE COMMON SECURITY AND DEFENCE POLICY (CSDP) OF THE EU

EUAM Iraq is one of the civilian CSDP missions of the EU. The CSDP enables the EU to use civilian, police and military instruments to cover the full spectrum **of crisis prevention, crisis management and post-crisis rehabilitation in order to strengthen the international security.** By contributing to local as well as regional stability, CSDP missions, both civilian and military, aim at ultimately contributing to European security as well.

### CIVILIAN MISSIONS AROUND THE WORLD



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## EUAM IRAQ AND THE INTEGRATED APPROACH

The EU's integrated approach to external conflicts and crises aims at **fostering human security by drawing on all relevant EU tools and policy instruments.**



In this way, **EUAM Iraq collaborates closely with the EU Delegation to Iraq, the EU Member States Embassies and other EU actors** to join our efforts and tap into synergies for assisting Iraqi institutions and allowing for institutional reform.



An **example of our integrated approach is the CT JUST programme.** A comprehensive training aiming to empower and enhance the capabilities of the Ministry of Interior staff in dealing with counter-terrorism efforts. It is led by the European Commission's Service for Foreign Policy Instruments and organised by EUAM Iraq, and the EU Delegation.





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