



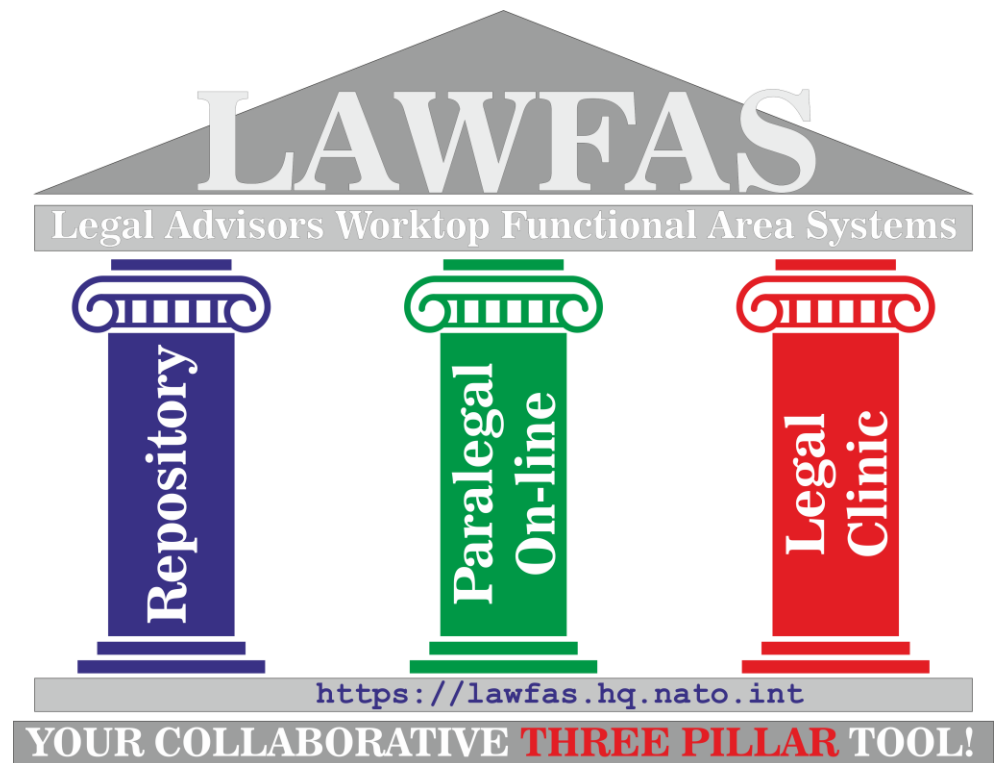
Legal Advisors Worktop Functional Area System – LAWFAS

*The International Law Applicable
to Peace Operations*

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Legal Advisors Worktop Functional Area System



LAWFAS – You can find us @



Dublin, 16th November 2018

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LAWFAS – What is it?



- Is a web portal, based on SharePoint, that creates a connected and interactive community of NATO and national legal offices to support, facilitate and improve legal support for the Alliance in its operations and activities;
- Supported and maintained by a team of two people – an international lawyer and a SharePoint Administrator;
- Provides the only organized searchable repository of legally significant NATO documents (5,000+ and growing); and
- Transforming the provision and support of NATO legal advice.
- Number of users:
 - Unclassified Network: 700
 - NATO Secret Network: 150

LAWFAS – The Three Pillars



The goal of LAWFAS is to capture relevant documents, facilitate document researches and ensure an easy access to all relevant information NATO-wide, as a **Repository**



LAWFAS is an interactive tool, which provides legal support to NATO and Member States and Universities, acts as a **Paralegal On-Line Service**

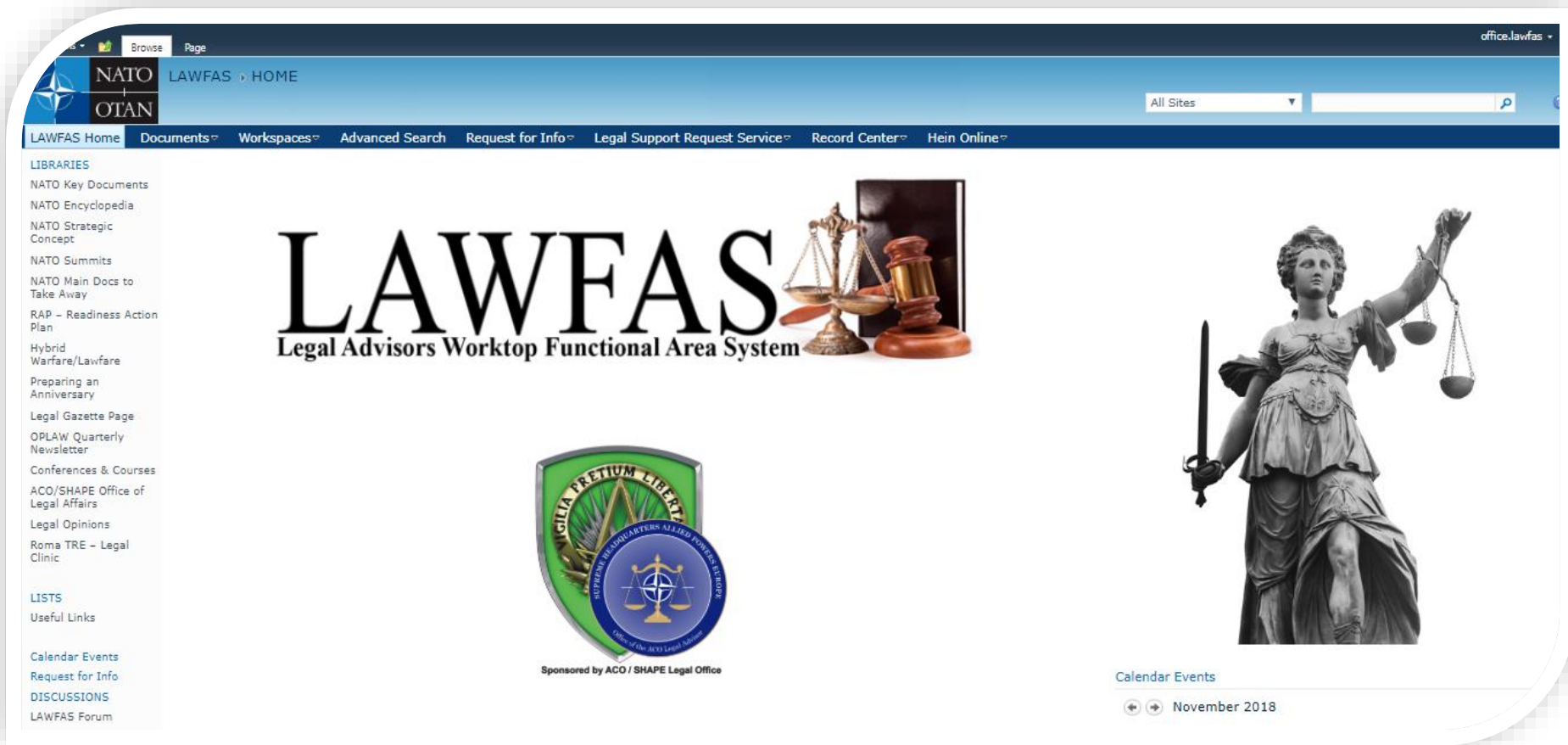


Legal Clinic with universities and research institutions on topics of interest for each of them, mainly in International Humanitarian Law (IHL)

- The first topics selected to be research and published were:
 - **Autonomous Weapons**
 - Recent Developments concerning **Humanitarian Access** in **Non-International Armed Conflicts**



- How the home page is organized...



The screenshot displays the LAWFAS Home Page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the NATO OTAN logo on the left, the text "LAWFAS HOME" in the center, and a search bar on the right. Below the navigation bar, a horizontal menu contains links to "LAWFAS Home", "Documents", "Workspaces", "Advanced Search", "Request for Info", "Legal Support Request Service", "Record Center", and "Hein Online".

On the left side, there is a "LIBRARIES" section with a list of links: "NATO Key Documents", "NATO Encyclopedia", "NATO Strategic Concept", "NATO Summits", "NATO Main Docs to Take Away", "RAP – Readiness Action Plan", "Hybrid Warfare/Lawfare", "Preparing an Anniversary", "Legal Gazette Page", "OPLAW Quarterly Newsletter", "Conferences & Courses", "ACO/SHAPE Office of Legal Affairs", "Legal Opinions", and "Roma TRE – Legal Clinic". Below this is a "LISTS" section with links to "Useful Links", "Calendar Events", "Request for Info", "DISCUSSIONS", and "LAWFAS Forum".

The main content area features the "LAWFAS" logo in large, bold letters, with the subtitle "Legal Advisors Worktop Functional Area System" underneath. To the right of the text is an image of a gavel and scales of justice. Below the logo is the ACO/SHAPE Legal Office logo, which is a shield-shaped emblem with a blue circle in the center containing a scale of justice. Below the logo is the text "Sponsored by ACO / SHAPE Legal Office".

On the right side of the main content area is a large image of a statue of Lady Justice, holding a sword and scales. Below the statue is a "Calendar Events" section with a link to "November 2018".

LAWFAS – You can find there...



- **Documents:**

- **Treaties:** North Atlantic Treaty, NATO SOFA, Paris Protocol...
- **Agreements:** HNS, MOUs, SAs, Garrison Support Arrangements (GSAs), Base Support Arrangements (BSA)
- **Directives:** ACO, ACT, Bi-SC Directive
- **Standing Operations Procedures (SOPs)**
- **Policies**
- **STANAGs**

- **Workspaces:**

- EU-NATO
- Protection of Civilians
- Refugee Crisis
- Gender Workspace
- Roma Tre – Legal Clinic



- **Libraries:**

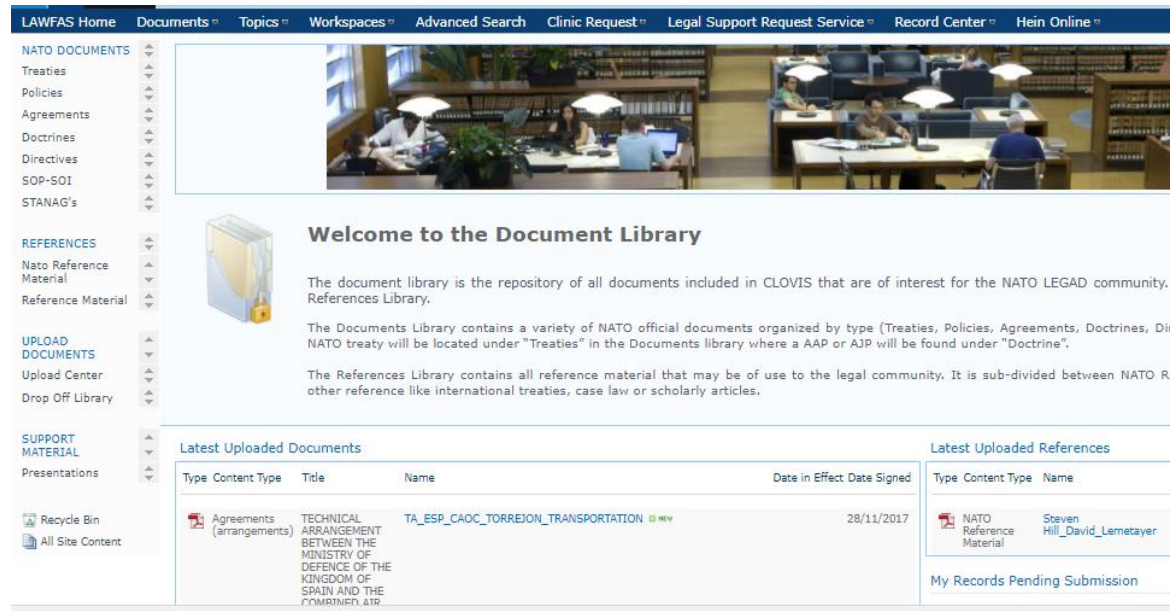
- Hybrid Warfare
- Conferences and Courses
- Legal Gazette and Ops Newsletter
- RAP – Readiness Action Plan

- **Lists**

- **Useful Links**
 - LAWFAS Selection
 - International Organizations
 - National Repositories
 - Research Institutions and Journals
 - International Databases

- **Calendar Events**

- Clicking on “Documents” will bring you to our Document Library, the repository of all documents included on LAWFAS that are of interest to the Legal Community.
- “NATO Documents” comprise a variety of NATO official documents organized by type (Treaties, Policies, Agreements, Doctrines, Directives, SOP/SOI, STANAG’s).
- The Latest Uploaded Documents and Latest Uploaded References on the Document Library homepage.



The screenshot shows the LAWFAS Document Library homepage. The top navigation bar includes links for LAWFAS Home, Documents, Topics, Workspaces, Advanced Search, Clinic Request, Legal Support Request Service, Record Center, and Hein Online. The left sidebar contains a tree view of document types: NATO DOCUMENTS (Treaties, Policies, Agreements, Doctrines, Directives, SOP-SOI, STANAG's), REFERENCES (Nato Reference Material, Reference Material), UPLOAD DOCUMENTS (Upload Center, Drop Off Library), and SUPPORT MATERIAL (Presentations). The main content area features a large image of a library, a welcome message, and two tables: 'Latest Uploaded Documents' and 'Latest Uploaded References'.

Welcome to the Document Library

The document library is the repository of all documents included in CLOVIS that are of interest to the NATO LEGAD community. References Library.

The Documents Library contains a variety of NATO official documents organized by type (Treaties, Policies, Agreements, Doctrines, Directives, SOP/SOI, STANAG's). NATO treaty will be located under "Treaties" in the Documents library where a AAP or AJP will be found under "Doctrine".

The References Library contains all reference material that may be of use to the legal community. It is sub-divided between NATO R other reference like international treaties, case law or scholarly articles.

Latest Uploaded Documents					Latest Uploaded References			
Type	Content Type	Title	Name	Date in Effect	Date Signed	Type	Content Type	Name
Agreements (arrangements)	TECHNICAL ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE OF THE KINGDOM OF SPAIN AND THE COMRADED ATR	TA_ESP_CAOC_TORREJON_TRANSPORTATION		28/11/2017		NATO Reference Material		Steven Hill_David_Lemetayer

[My Records Pending Submission](#)

LAWFAS – You can find there...



THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY - WASHINGTON TREATY

THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY (1949) THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY Le Traité de l'Atlantique ... and well-being in the **North-Atlantic** area. Soucieux de favoriser dans ... They therefore agree to this **North Atlantic Treaty**: Se sont mis d'accord sur le ...

Authors: Mertens, Dirk Civ Bel Nshq Date: 08/03/2016 Size: 33KB

<https://lawfas.hq.nato.int/RC/Basic documents/1949 NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY ORGANIZATION TREATY.pdf>

THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY (1949)

THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY

The Parties to this Treaty reaffirm their faith in the purposes and principles of the Charter of the United Nations and their desire to live in peace with all peoples and all governments.

They are determined to safeguard the freedom, common heritage and civilization of their peoples, founded on the principles of democracy, individual liberty and the rule of law.

They seek to promote stability and well-being in the North-Atlantic area.

They are resolved to unite their efforts for collective

Le Traité de l'Atlantique Nord

Les Etats parties au présent Traité, réaffirmant leur foi dans les buts et les principes de la Charte des Nations Unies et leur désir de vivre en paix avec tous les peuples et tous les gouvernements.

Déterminés à sauvegarder la liberté de leurs peuples, leur héritage commun et leur civilisation, fondés sur les principes de la démocratie, les libertés individuelles et le règne du droit.

Soucieux de favoriser dans la région de l'Atlantique Nord le bien-être et la stabilité.

Résolus à unir leurs efforts pour leur défense collective

LAWFAS – You can find there...

GSA BETWEEN THE KINGDOM OF BELGIUM AND SHAPE

The purpose of this **GSA** is to define the scope of support to be ... dated 02 May 2006. 1-2. This **GSA** is concluded under the authority ... in SHAPE Compound. 1-4. This **GSA** is developed pursuant to guidance ... and Standards. 1-5. Nothing in this **GSA** is to be construed as ...

Authors: Act See Legad Johnson Jessica Date: 09/09/2014 Size: 1MB

https://lawfas.hq.nato.int/RC/Basic documents/GSA_BEL_SHAPE.pdf

Garrison Support Arrangement
between
the Kingdom of Belgium
and
Supreme Headquarters Allied Powers Europe (SHAPE)

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Garrison Support Arrangement (GSA)
Between
THE MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENCE OF ROMANIA (ROU MoND)
and
SUPREME HEADQUARTERS ALLIED POWERS EUROPE (SHAPE)
regarding
Base Support to DEPLOYABLE COMMUNICATIONS AND
INFORMATION SYSTEMS MODULE E/2nd NATO SIGNAL
BATTALION/NATO CIS GROUP (NATO DCM E/2nd NSB –
BUCHAREST/ROMANIA)

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GSA ROU 2NSB.pdf

1-3. The Participants to this **GSA** are the Ministry of National ... Concept. 1-5. Nothing in this **GSA** is to be construed as authority ... to OCM E/2nd NSB. In case this **GSA** or the references identified in ... For the purposes of this **GSA** it may also include any NATO Command ...

Authors: Baquerizo, Victoria Date: 20/07/2016 Size: 454KB

<https://lawfas.hq.nato.int/ACOLO/Main Documents/GSA's/GSA ROU 2NSB.pdf> View duplicates

LAWFAS – You can find there...

STANAG's Home Page

Standardization Agreements (STANAGs) are records of agreements among several or all member nations to adopt similar procedures. The NATO Standardization Agency (NSA) is responsible to initiate, coordinate, support and administrate standardization activities conducted under the authority of the NATO Committee for Standardization (NCS). The NSA pursues this mission with two types of standardization documents: Standardization Agreements (STANAGs) and Allied Publications (APs).

In order to check current published STANAGs please click below:



NATO STANDARDIZATION DOCUMENT DATABASE

NSO



NATO STANDARDIZATION AGENCY
AGENCE OTAN DE NORMALISATION



24 August 2004

NSA/0831-NAV/1008

STANAG 1008 NAV (EDITION 9) – CHARACTERISTICS OF SHIPBOARD ELECTRICAL POWER SYSTEMS IN WARSHIPS OF THE NORTH ATLANTIC TREATY NAVIES

References:

- a. AC/141-D/750 dated 28 June 2001 (Edition 9) (Ratification Draft 1)
- b. MAS/59-NAV/1008 dated 21 February 1994 (Edition 8)

1. The enclosed NATO Standardization Agreement which has been ratified by nations as reflected in the **NATO Standardization Document Database (NSDD)**, is promulgated herewith.
2. The references listed above are to be destroyed in accordance with local document destruction procedures.

LAWFAS – You can find there...

LAWFAS Links Home Page

*In this site you can find several interested links organized by five categories:
LAWFAS Selection, International Organizations, National Repositories, Research Institutions and International Databases*

LAWFAS Selection

- NATO Multimedia Library
- NATO Legal Deskbook
- Legal Gazette Home Page
- LAWFAS How To
- LAWFAS Friendly User Guide
- Fight Against Terrorism – Conceptual Framework
- Phone Directory
- US Army JAG School
- STANAGs

International Organizations



National Repositories

- USA – United States Department of Defense
- USA – Treaty Office – US Department of State
- USA – Indigenous Law Portal – Library of Congress
- USA – Office of Foreign Assets Control – OFAC
- UK – Treaties Online – FCO
- NLD-Military legal Journal

Research Institutions and Journals

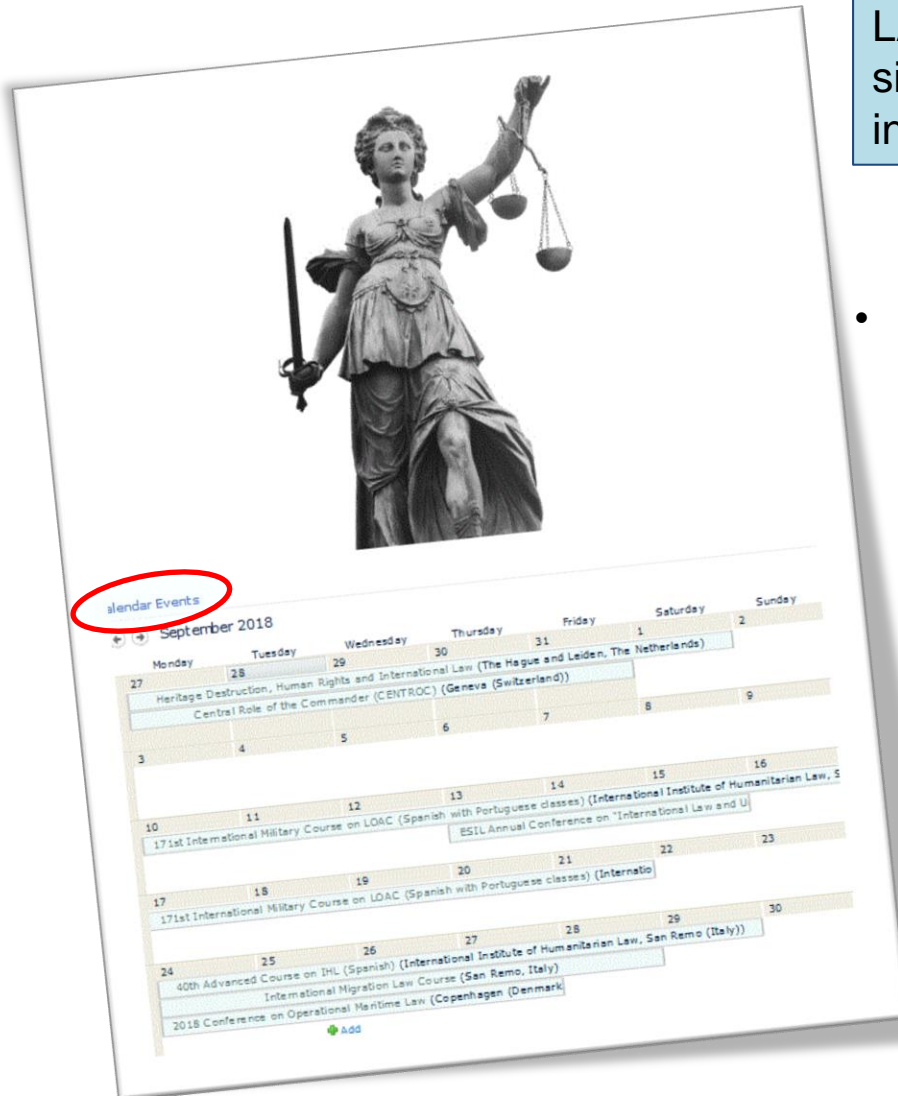
- IACHR – Loyola Law School – Los Angeles
- Centre for Human Rights – University of

LAWFAS – Calendar Events



LAWFAS Home page provides a significant amount of important information to the users

- The **“Calendar Events”** advertises upcoming conferences, courses, workshops and other events of interest





LAWFAS – Request for Info (RFI)



- If you are looking for information which is not yet offered on LAWFAS, please do not hesitate to create a request for info
- The lawyers specialized in NATO matters will provide you a feedback.
- You can follow up your requests by using *My Requests*. Your requests are handled privately and are not visible by other users.



Title *	<input type="text"/>
Question	<input type="text"/>
Priority	(2) Normal ▼
Related To	Information ▼
Due Date	<input type="text"/> 
Attach File	Escolher ficheiro Nenhum ficheiro selecionado 

LAWFAS –Unclassified Network



- **ACCESS TO LAWFAS Unclassified Network & Commercial Internet**
 - **Do you have an official email address?**
If yes, please go to:
 - <https://lawfas.hq.nato.int>
 - **Choose the first option:**
 - Register yourself to get access to the portal
 - **Fill in all the mandatory fields**
 - Click on “Register”
 - Your account will be created soon



The screenshot shows the LAWFAS login interface. At the top left is the NATO OTAN logo. The main heading is 'LAWFAS'. Below this, a message says 'Please provide your username and password to sign in.' with a key icon. There are two input fields: 'User name:' and 'Password:'. A blue 'Sign In' button is to the right of the password field. Below the input fields, there is a red circle around the text 'Register yourself to get access to the portal.' and two links: 'Click here to change your password.' and 'Click here if you forgot your username/password.'

LAWFAS – Unclassified Network



- ***WHERE CAN YOU HAVE ACCESS? (LAWFAS Unclassified)***
- Wherever you are...



- With different devices...



- As soon as you have an internet connection
 - Wifi
 - Data (3G or 4G)
 - Cable
 - **Upcoming APP**

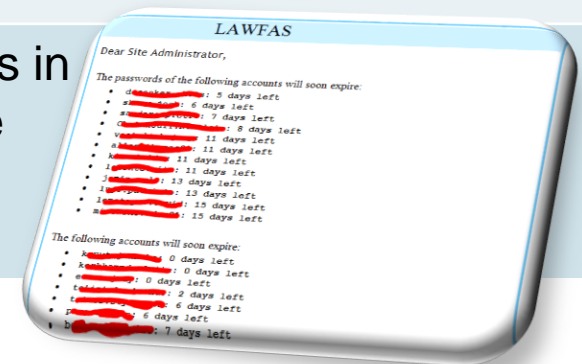
All LAWFAS users can access the information (Basic Legal Documents, Agreements, Policies, Directives, Current NATO Topics, etc.), anywhere, anytime, by using **commercial internet**. LAWFAS, is a legal platform sponsored by the Office of ACO/SHAPE Legal Advisor that assists, facilitates and improves legal support for NATO in its operations and activities.

NOTE: ONLY UNCLASSIFIED INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON LAWFAS UNCLASSIFIED

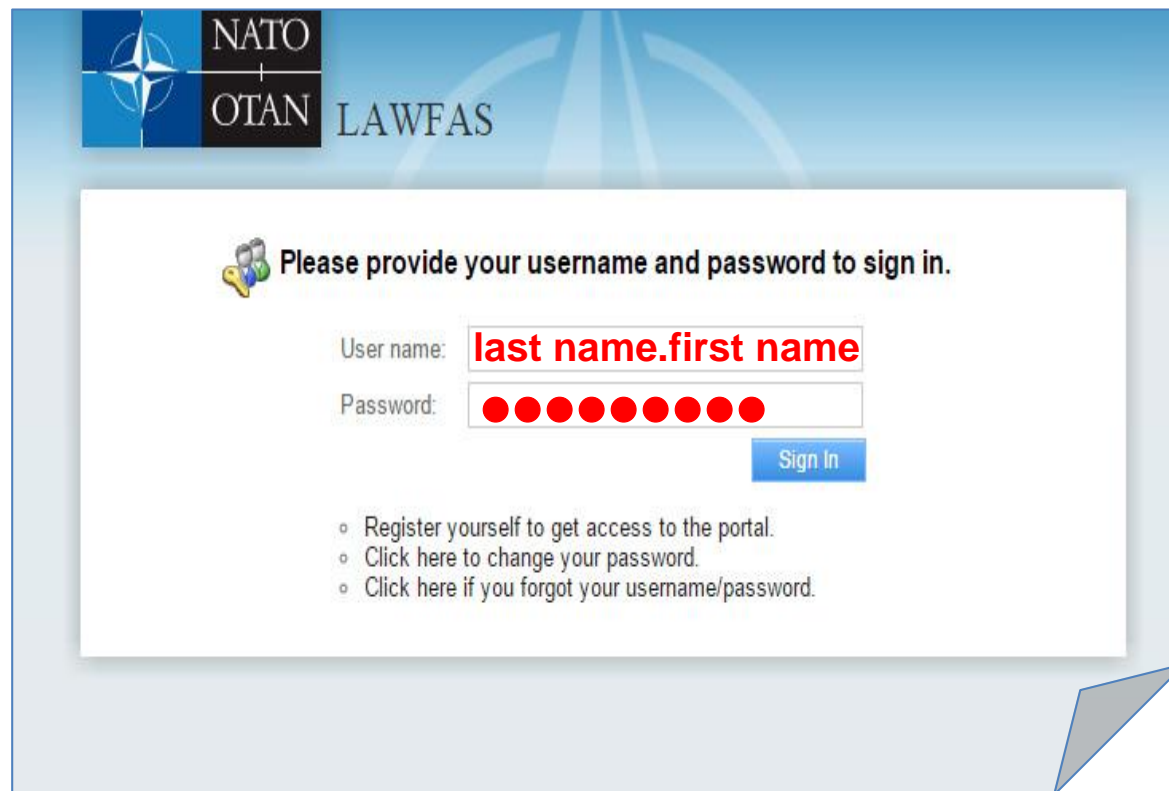
LAWFAS – Do not forget!




Issues	Clarifications
To request an account	LAWFAS account can ONLY be created with an official email address
Senior Legal Name	Is the name of your supervisor/chief; In case you hold that position, write your name;
End of tour/duty	Date when your mission will be completed
LAWFAS has become the only legal tool at the International, Operational and Managerial branches	Do not hesitate to join us in order to explore further issues in our functionality
The system sends an email for the users whose accounts are almost expired	Please take these emails in consideration, otherwise your access will be denied




<https://lawfas.hq.nato.int>



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 Please provide your username and password to sign in.

User name:

Password:

- Register yourself to get access to the portal.
- Click here to change your password.
- Click here if you forgot your username/password.

LAWFAS – Contacts

For **LAWFAS** support, please contact:





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