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## **Visit of NATO Programme "Improvement of military education" DEEP to Odessa National Maritime Academy**

The representatives of NATO Programme "Improvement of military education" DEEP visited Odessa National Maritime Academy on 16 November, 2015. The purpose of the event is to assess the requirements and needs for further development of the Naval Forces Faculty of ONMA, to meet with the Academy's Rector, as well as the command of the Ukrainian Naval Forces to discuss cooperation for 2016 year.

NATO Programme "Improvement of military education" (Defence Education Enhancement Program - DEEP) is elaborated by the working group on the Education Development of Consortium of Military Academies and Research Institutes on security matters of "Partnership for Peace" programme.

DEEP aims to support NATO partner countries in the development and reform of the military education system. The main focus is on processing programs of certain teaching disciplines and methods in higher military educational institutions.

The programme brings together academic staff of educational institutions in NATO countries, institutions such as the George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Bureau for International Language Coordination, NATO Defense College, NATO School Oberammergau with their colleagues from partner countries.

The programme started in 2007 with the corresponding project with Kazakhstan. Today, 12 partner countries (Azerbaijan, Afghanistan, Armenia, Georgia, Iraq, Kazakhstan, Mauritania, Moldova, Mongolia, Serbia, Ukraine and Uzbekistan) take part in the realization of DEEP Programme besides its NATO partners.

