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The Atlantic Centre organized the II Course on Maritime Security at Lajes Air Base

The second edition of the Course on Maritime Security, promoted by the Atlantic Centre, in partnership with the National Defence Institute, NATO's Gender Perspective Committee and the Cameroon Ministry of Defence, and with the support of the Azores Regional Government and Air Base No. 4, took place from 17 to 20 May, at Lajes Air Base, Terceira Island.

On the theme "Maritime Security and Human Security", the course counted with the participation of 30 auditors from nine Atlantic countries - Angola, Brazil, Cameroon, United States of America, Ghana, Guinea-Bissau, Morocco, Portugal and Senegal, and Portuguese and international speakers from institutions such as NATO, the United Nations, the European Union and international academic institutions.

The complexity of today's multidimensional maritime challenges requires exploring how best to build capacity and foster local resilience, while promoting solutions that enhance social cohesion and foster respect for human rights and dignity in sea-related contexts. This was the motto of the course that aimed, this year, to provide participants with the necessary tools to fully integrate the dimensions related to human security in the daily action of those who manage matters related to maritime safety.

The Atlantic Centre is an initiative of the Portuguese Government, developed by the Ministry of National Defence, dedicated to the promotion of security and cooperation in the Atlantic, which is open to the participation of all States and multilateral organisations in this region, and currently has 20 signatory countries. Its activities focus on political dialogue, scientific research and capacity building in the field of defence.