



MACOA Focus Area



The Maritime Approach to Combined Operational Access (MACOA) is one of seven lines of effort in the 21 member Multinational Capabilities Development Campaign (MCDC) 2013-2014

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Deliverables

- ❖ Concepts
- ❖ Case Studies
- ❖ Practice Guides

Concept

Regional nations face operational access challenges, often with global implications, occurring across all domains and in the littoral. When maritime military forces combine rapidly to respond to a crisis in the littorals, they face increased friction and risk to the mission because they lack sufficient time to partner, build force and littoral stakeholder cohesion, coherency, agility, and littoral regional understanding.

Central Idea

Starting well before a crisis, the MACOA describes how to set regional conditions to support efforts to prevent crisis and how to prepare future mission-tailored forces to swiftly and effectively combine and project into the littoral to secure operational access.

Schedule

Date	Event (Location)
10-13 Sep 13	Workshop (Helsinki, FIN)
21-26 Oct 13	Discovery Event (Madrid, ESP)
20-24 Jan 14	Workshop (Quantico, USA)
24-28 Feb 14	Expeditionary Warrior 14 (DC, USA)
19-23 May 14	Workshop (Copenhagen, DEN)

Desired End State:

- Through the naval force development processes:
- Improve national maritime capabilities to address regional stability and operational access challenges.
 - Improve CJFMCC capability to swiftly and efficiently combine forces in the littorals on the leading edge of crisis.