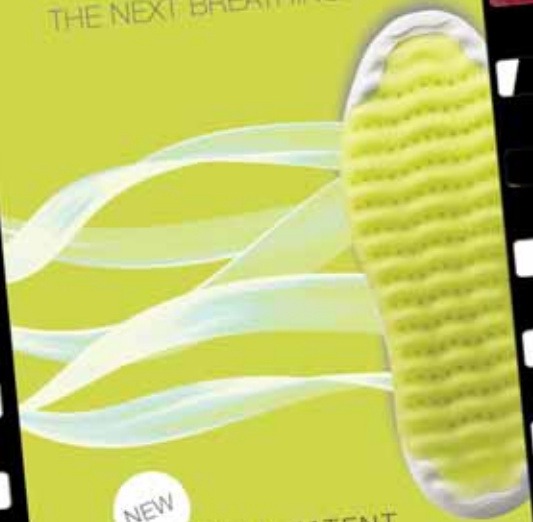


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# MIBIL

## Italian Bilateral Military Mission in Lebanon



**A**fter the First Rome Conference in support of the LAF, Italy established a Bilateral Military Mission in Lebanon (MIBIL). The mission was deployed on 26 January 2015. It operates in the Training Center of As-Samayah village, where a climbing tower, three classrooms with a 44-student capacity and a 48 seats briefing room are available equipped with PCs connected to latest generation Wi-Fi electronic boards. Highly skilled trainers conducted more than 50 programs in the first three years of activities. After Rome Conference II, which was held on March 15, 2018, MIBIL conducted more than 120 programs, including the training of the Presidential Guard's units, and of its first female soldiers unit. The value of these two-year long programs is \$ 50 million.



### HOW DOES MIBIL SUPPORT THE LEBANESE ARMED FORCES (LAF)?

Yearly, the MIBIL Commander (COMMIBIL) schedules the Training Calendar, in accordance with LAF Training Directorate educational requirements, advises the Lebanese Military Commanders and reviews the training process to update, improve and adapt the educational offer according to the needs.

COMMIBIL performs the final assessment by identifying the training/operational goals to be achieved, based on the information collected, inputs gathered and LAF requirements. MIBIL Core Team supports any immediate request or unplanned training need. Through this process, the most suitable Mobile Training Teams (MTTs) are properly set and deployed with the Lebanese Military Units to meet their educational needs.





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## MIBIL ACTIVITIES

MIBIL organizes, conducts and coordinates the educational activities agreed with the LAF in order to accelerate the acquisition of key military capacities. MIBIL tasks are twofold:

- a. to assist LAF training requests. MIBIL works in close coordination with the LAF Training Directorate and the Italian Embassy in Beirut;
- b. to plan and execute special educational programs through the Mobile Training Teams (MTT) of the Italian Armed Forces (Army, Navy, Air Force and Carabinieri-Military Police).



A permanent staff (Core Team) is located in As-Samayah/Shama, South of Lebanon, with the task of facilitating the cooperation. The highly qualified Mobile Training Teams (MTT) are deployed from Italy to execute the training activities. A team of Italian/English-Arabic translators assists team.

In the 2015-2017 timeframe, MIBIL organized and conducted 55

advanced training courses, provided more than 5.300 hours of lessons, applying the "train the trainers" formula. 2.835 soldiers were qualified in several specialties, including 355 Officers and 1017 NCOs. Following the Rome II Conference in support to the Lebanese security institutions (15 March 2018), in 2018-2019 Italy planned 123 training courses, an increase of 239%.



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## FURTHER DOMAINS OF COOPERATION

The Italian Navy enhanced an advanced program conducting a hydrographic and oceanographic survey and donated

sophisticated equipment. The Italian Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation funded the

rehabilitation of infrastructures and the provision of € 4 million non-lethal equipment to both MIBIL and the LAF.