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Training Courses first half 2009

The ISR Academy offers a wide variety of ISR related courses. For the first half 2009 we offer the following courses:

SAR Imagery Analyses Course:

11 January— 22 January 2009

4 May - 15 May 2009

Basic Imagery Analyst Course:

2 February—10 April 2009

Advanced Imagery Analyst Course:

May –June 2009



Other dates will be published in the next Newsletter and on our [website](#).

Welcome to Ger Timmer

In this newsletter we want to introduce Ger Timmer, our new Instructor. Ger is in the ISR business since the mid 70's. He started as an Imagery Analyst at the RNLAf 306 Tactical Recce Squadron and was involved in several Operations at various levels. After completing his study at the Military Academy (KMA) in Breda, Ger was employed as an Intelligence Officer at Squadron and Wing level. Apart from Reconnaissance and IMINT tasks within the Dutch MOD he was responsible for the implementation of the "Imagery handling" within the Open Skies treaty— Benelux. Ger was employed as Chief Current Intelligence within the Dutch MOD and as liaison officer at several international HQ's in support of NATO operations. Ger retired as Lieutenant-Colonel.



Synthetic Aperture Radar (SAR) Imagery Analyses Course

The kick-off of our new course, entitled "SAR Imagery Analyses" took place September 1st 2008. This two-week course is developed by the ISR Academy, with assistance of TNO Defence, Security and Safety Group Radar and EW.

The first group of Imagery Analysts faced a 3,5 day of theoretical introduction to SAR. During this stage the students became familiarised with SAR gathering methods, principles, gathering systems, threats, planning etc. During the 2nd stage, which lasted 6,5 days, the students learned to analyse SAR Imagery of various types, sources and resolutions.

Based on the students feedback this SAR course answered all questions and was defined as a typical ISR Academy's course: "Very interesting, to the point and highly instructive". The SAR Imagery Analyses Course has already become popular. The ISR Academy has planned additional seminars in 2009.

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Full Motion Video (FMV) analyses and handling training course

The ISR Academy is currently developing a **FMV analyses and handling** training course for the military and the civilian market. Both Manned and Unmanned Intelligence collecting systems produce Terabytes of (digital) FMV, which all need to be handled, stored and analysed. It is the ISR Academy's philosophy that, especially with FMV, Analysts need to be trained at the highest possible standard. The FMV will train experienced IA's to cope with a wide variety of sensor data.

Duration of this course will be 2 weeks. The first course is planned to start in the summer of 2009. [Contact us](#) for detailed information on course content and availability.

Advanced Imagery Analyses Course revised

The Advanced Imagery Analyses Course (AIAC) has been revised in order to meet the latest customers needs. This four weeks course, which is scheduled in May/June 2009 will provide students advanced knowledge on the following subjects:

- IA Management
- Advanced IA Techniques
- Advanced Analyses and Reporting (Subjects according to Stanag 3596)
- Advanced Camouflage, Concealment & Detection studies
- Advanced Strategic Industries studies
- Multi-Source Imagery, including SAR and FMV

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