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MANAGING INTERNAL CONFLICT

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This course explores internal conflicts within a country such as insurgency, separatism, large-scale criminal violence, and ethnic, communal, or religious-based violence. Many countries confront these situations at home and abroad during peace operations. The course also addresses international issues that affect internal conflict, including the use of proxies or transnational ideologies. Throughout, participants learn and practice conflict analysis techniques, gain exposure to prevention and political-military response strategies, and discuss security sector capabilities needed for effective response.

OBJECTIVES

Upon conclusion of this course, participants will be able to:

- ◆ Understand the origins and dynamics of internal violence
- ◆ Apply analytical tools for conflict analysis
- ◆ Develop and apply approaches used to prevent and respond to internal violence
- ◆ Design institutional reform proposals to enable national security forces to prevent and respond to violence
- ◆ Lead professional discussions to share key concepts once returned home

TOPICS

This course examines contemporary internal violence through plenary lectures, case studies, exercises, and individual/group work using learning techniques that promote constructive dialogue. The course is oriented at the conceptual and societal level of analysis and will not focus on tactical security techniques for confronting violence. The course material is highly relevant for participants who live in divided societies or may operate in areas facing violent divisions. Course topics may include:

- ◆ Causes and types of internal conflict
- ◆ Conflict analysis techniques
- ◆ Intervention approaches and strategies
- ◆ Conduct of domestic operations: civilian protection; law and human rights; working with intelligence and law enforcement agencies
- ◆ Conflict resolution strategies
- ◆ Conflict recovery: managing ex-combatants; transitional justice; and addressing ideology

PARTICIPANTS

The course can be taught to 30 - 40 participants. Host governments are asked to draw participants from among female and male mid- to senior-level officers and equivalent civilian leaders. This course provides an excellent opportunity for cross-community engagement – countries should consider sending some civil society representatives of aggrieved groups, clergy, industry, and/or service organizations.

ISG PROGRAM AREAS

ISG's tailored education and professional development programs support the sustainment of a comprehensive knowledge base and strengthen partner capacities to confront complex security and defense challenges. Engagements are designed to cultivate individual understanding of complex issues, foster peer-to-peer learning, and build international communities of interest.



SECURITY GOVERNANCE & CIVIL MILITARY RELATIONS (CMR)



CONFLICT, TERRORISM, & PROTECTION (CTP)



MARITIME SECURITY (MARSEC)



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & RESILIENCE (EM&R)



PEACEKEEPING & EXERCISES (PKX)



CYBER CAPABILITY (CYBER)



INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE ACQUISITION RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (IDARM)



LOGISTICS CAPABILITY BUILDING (LCB)

FACULTY

ISG has a diverse faculty team grounded in professional experience from academic, military, government, and civil sectors. The core faculty are augmented by experts drawn from other parts of government, and U.S. and international subject matter experts drawn from universities, industry, think tanks, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations.

ENROLLMENT

Courses are conducted as part of the U.S. Government's Security Cooperation efforts. Interested partner nation personnel should contact their government's international cooperation section, or the relevant U.S. Embassy's security/military cooperation office for selection processes and enrollment. Interested U.S. citizens may contact ISG to discuss availability.

FUNDING

Educational programs are primarily implemented through Title 22 authorized programs (International Military Education and Training, Foreign Military Sales, Peacekeeping Operations) and various Title 10 authorized programs such as the Maritime Security Initiative (MSI) and Regional Defense Fellowship Program (RDFP).

ABOUT ISG



The Defense Security Cooperation University's (DSCU) Institute for Security Governance (ISG) is the Department of Defense's leading implementer for Institutional Capacity Building (ICB) and one of its primary international schoolhouses. As a component of the Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA), ISG is charged with building partner institutional capacity and capability through tailored advising, education, and professional development programs grounded in American values and approaches.