



OSCE-UNODC Training Programme on Countering Terrorist Financing

The OSCE's Transnational Threats Department and the United Nations Office on Drugs Crime's Global Programme against Money Laundering, Proceeds of Crime and the Financing of Terrorism (UNODC) are implementing in co-operation with the OSCE Field Operations a multi-annual training programme on countering the financing of terrorism.

Stemming the flow of funds to terrorists has become a cornerstone of counter-terrorism efforts undertaken by the international community. With the intensification of the terrorist threat over the recent years and the evolution of terrorist financing typologies, the UN Security Council adopted Resolution 2462 in 2019.

The OSCE-UNODC training programme aims at building the capacity of requesting OSCE participating States to implement UN Security Council Resolution UNSCR2462 as well as other relevant UNSCRs, standards of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF), and OSCE commitments, and take into consideration the recommendations by the UN

Counter-Terrorism Committee Executive Directorate (CTED).

Practical exercises comprise 80% of the curriculum and are based on scenarios that reflect current threats and local operating procedures in the countries of training. These are developed in consultation with national experts from the countries of training based on areas considered a priority threat, for example, those identified in national risk assessments on anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism (CFT).

The programme is designed so that participants of the train-the-trainer courses go on to become a team of national trainers and together with a tailored curriculum developed as part of the programme, the recipient country will have created its own CFT training capability by the end of the training series.

Who are the courses for?

The courses are available, upon request, to all OSCE participating States. They are designed for those working in financial intelligence units, law enforcement and intelligence agencies, prosecuting authorities, policy-making on countering money laundering and terrorist financing, the private sector, and non-profit organizations.

All courses include:

- A train-the-trainer course to prepare four to six national experts as national trainers
- A trainers' pack: lesson plans, presentations and scenario materials
- Progressively advanced, practical and skills-based learning
- Materials created in English and/or the local language which support localized scenarios



What courses are on offer?

Foundation Course

In this course, participants study national, regional and international terrorist threats, learn about the terrorist funding cycle and the financial requirements of individual terrorists and small cells, as well as of large transnational terrorist groups.

Analysis Course

After completing this course, participants will be able to use financial intelligence as a tool to detect networks of terrorists and their financiers. They will know how to undertake financial investigations to better assess the threat posed by a terrorist group and to identify a wealth of new operational leads which can help them to disrupt terrorist activities. They will have learned and practised how to apply a range of analytical techniques to realistic scenarios.

Basic and Enhanced Investigation Courses

These courses are aimed at strengthening investigation tools and techniques as well as inter-agency co-operation in conducting CFT investigations. They include sessions on the role of financial intelligence units, case management, foreign terrorist fighters, the risk of abuse of non-profit organizations for terrorist financing, as well as Hawala and new payment methods.

Financial Disruption Course

This course teaches participants to assess and disrupt the full range of terrorist activities by examining a terrorist network's "business model". Participants from inter-agency teams learn various financial disruption options and techniques such as functional analysis, auditing and vulnerabilities analysis.

UN Security Council Resolutions Sanctions Course

Participants will gain a practical understanding of good practices and lessons learned in identifying and listing individuals, entities and groups for sanctions pursuant to UNSCRs. This course is delivered in partnership with experts from the UN Sanctions Monitoring Team.

Private Sector and Non-Profit Organizations Courses

The courses teach participants how to develop effective public-private partnerships between governments and financial institutions, the financial technology industry, internet and social media companies and non-profit organizations, among others.

Outcomes

- Effective inter-agency co-operation in a manner consistent with OSCE commitments and international good practices
- Increased ability to detect, investigate and disrupt terrorist networks while respecting human rights standards
- Improved adherence to international standards, in particular UNSCRs and FATF recommendations
- Effective co-operation with the private sector, including non-profit organizations
- A national and regional CFT training capability by the end of the training series

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