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INTELLIGENCE & STRATEGIC DECISION-MAKING

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CERTIFICATION: PME, (E-IMET PENDING)

This course explores fundamental topics within the broad theme of intelligence and decision-making in a democracy. It examines the intelligence process and intelligence activities, as well as the potential problems and challenges associated with the intelligence process. It also explores the connection of counterintelligence and covert intelligence action with the overall intelligence structure, and its effect on strategic-level decision-making.

OBJECTIVES

Participants will be able to:

- Articulate fundamental concepts related to information-gathering and intelligence fusion
- Identify potential problems and challenges associated with the intelligence process
- Determine how to use intelligence to support the decision-making process
- Develop professional networks to address shared security interests

TOPICS

The educational approach of this course combines informational content along with practical exercises and case studies, to provide participants with the skills and knowledge needed to understand how intelligence can best support strategic decision-making in a democracy. Course topics may include:

- The informed decision-making process
- The intelligence professional
- All-hazards risk assessment
- Policymakers and intelligence agencies
- Counterintelligence and covert action

PARTICIPANTS

The course is designed for civilian officials and military officers with the rank/grade equivalents of O-3 to General-level, as well as civil and private sector representatives (from academia, political parties, non-governmental organizations, and private companies) involved in national security. Female participants are strongly encouraged to attend.

ISG PROGRAM AREAS

ISG programming has been developed over 25 years by providing military and civilian officials with unique education and professional development programs. Courses are designed to cultivate individual understanding of complex issues, foster peer-to-peer learning, and build connected networks of international peers through a professional learning environment.

CIVIL-MILITARY RELATIONS & SECURITY GOVERNANCE	**LOGISTICS CAPACITY BUILDING**	**INTERNATIONAL DEFENSE ACQUISITION RESOURCE MANAGEMENT**	**CYBER CAPABILITY**

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT & RESILIENCE	**MARITIME SECURITY**	**PEACEKEEPING**	**CONFLICT PREVENTION & RECOVERY**	**COMBATING TERRORISM**

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 American and international subject matter experts drawn from universities, industry, think tanks, international organizations, and non-governmental organizations.

ENROLLMENT

Courses are conducted with partner nations as part of the US Government security cooperation effort. Participation in ISG courses is managed through the Security Cooperation Office of the US Embassy in-country. Interested partner nation personnel should work through their government's international cooperation section, or the relevant US Embassy's security/military cooperation section for selection processes and enrollment. Where appropriate, ISG reserves limited space in courses for US citizens. Interested US citizens may contact ISG to discuss availability.

FUNDING

ISG can accept most types of US Government funding. Courses are typically funded by IMET, FMF, FMS, CTIWFP/RDFP, PKO, and other DoD-wide O&M funds (333, 332, MSI, etc.). Cost estimates can be obtained by contacting ISG or the applicable NETSAFA Country Program Manager.

ABOUT ISG

The Institute for Security Governance (ISG) is a Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA) schoolhouse, and leading Institutional Capacity Building (ICB) implementer, focused on helping partners build effective and accountable security institutions. ISG's tailored ICB approach supports partners in developing, resourcing, and sustaining the institutional capabilities and professionalization necessary to pursue common security cooperation objectives.