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ETHICS & INTEGRITY IN DEFENSE ACQUISITION DECISION MAKING

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This International Defense Acquisition Resource Management (IDARM) course examines ethics and integrity in defense acquisition decision-making, and the fundamental characteristics of a fair and transparent public procurement system. Ethics and integrity are critical to defense acquisition, procurement, and logistic systems. They enable public trust and confidence in organizations and also demonstrate a commitment to reasoned decision-making through policy and its enforcement. Emphasis is placed on creating and sustaining an organizational culture that is grounded in appropriate individual ethical behavior, and on designing transparent systems that deter and detect unethical behavior. The importance of sound and enforceable legislation and policy is examined throughout the course. Course methodologies include lecture, open discussion, in-class exercises, and case studies.

OBJECTIVES

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

- ◆ Critically examine organizational frameworks for ethical defense resource management and decision making through the procurement process
- ◆ Articulate the importance of establishing lines of authority that ensure policies, procedures, and processes are in place and enforced
- ◆ Discuss tools for setting standards of conduct for individual and organizational accountability
- ◆ Collectively identify innovative ways to overcome the challenges associated with accountability in national defense acquisition decision making

TOPICS

Course topics may include:

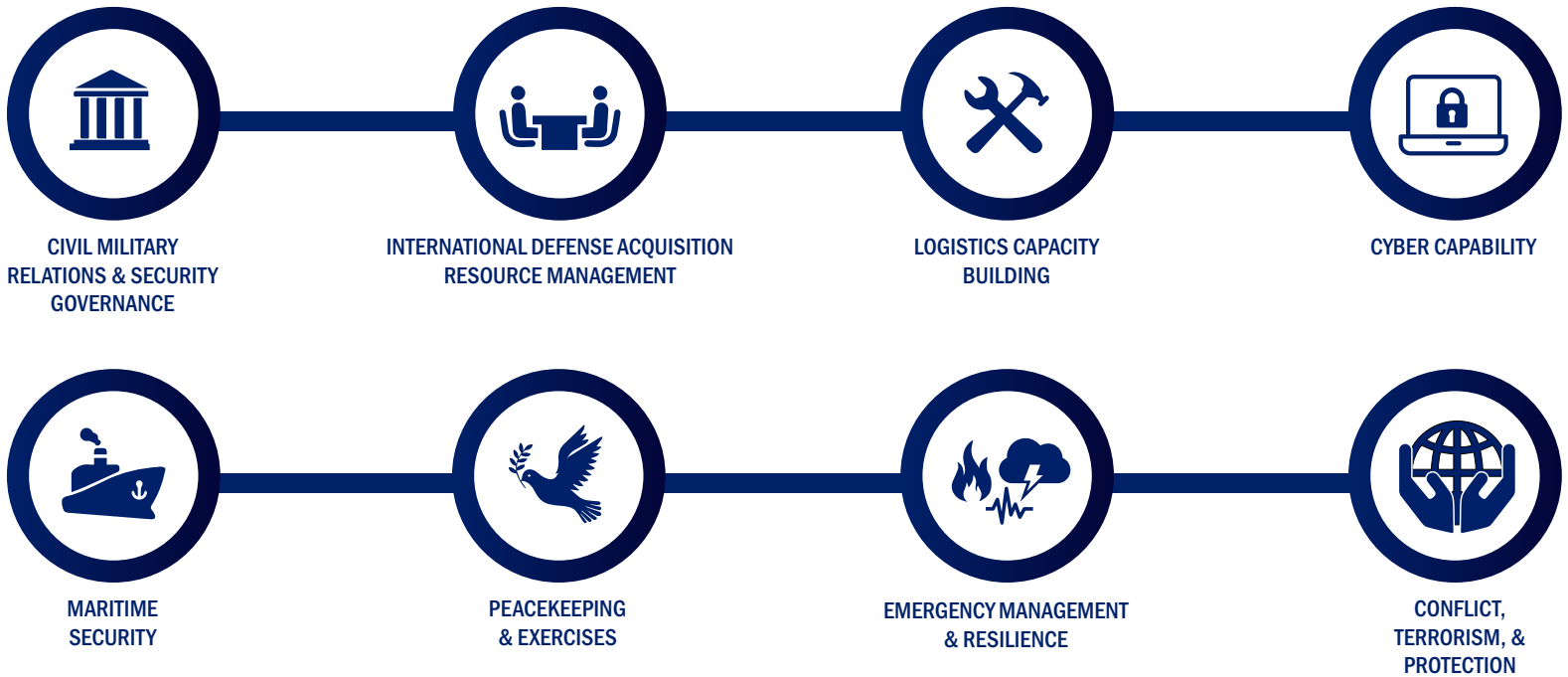
- ◆ Defense acquisition decision making
- ◆ Corruption: risks, impacts, and global implications
- ◆ Shaping and sustaining organizational culture
- ◆ Ethical reasoning and decision making
- ◆ Defense budgeting and resource management

PARTICIPANTS

This course is designed for international military officers of grades O4-O6 and civilian equivalents who are involved in defense acquisition/resource management decision making. The course is tailored to the context and requirements of the partner nation. Course size is limited to no more than 30 participants to facilitate effective classroom discussions.

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.



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 as part of the US Government security cooperation efforts. Interested partner nation personnel should contact their government's international cooperation section, or the relevant US Embassy's security/military cooperation section for selection processes and enrollment. Interested US 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 Combating Terrorism and Irregular Warfare Fellowship Program (RDFFP).

ABOUT ISG



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