



INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY GOVERNANCE

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STRATEGIES FOR BUILDING & SUSTAINING ACCOUNTABILITY IN DEFENSE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

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This International Defense Acquisition Resource Management (IDARM) course examines the characteristics and conditions for successful defense acquisition resource management and decision-making. Fundamental to good governance is a defense acquisition system that ensures public funds are spent in manner consistent with the highest standards of conduct expected from public servants who are entrusted with responsibilities for defense acquisition resource management and decision-making. The importance of accountability and transparency is emphasized as central to all public resource management and decision-making systems. Participants explore opportunities for improving accountability and transparency in existing national-level systems. Course methodologies include lecture, open discussion, in-class exercises, and case studies.

OBJECTIVES

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

- ◆ Demonstrate an understanding of accountability as the means to establish clear lines of responsibility in resource management and decision-making processes
- ◆ Critically examine the idea of transparency in principle and in practice
- ◆ Collectively identify innovative ways to overcome the challenges associated with accountability in national defense acquisition decision-making

TOPICS

Course topics may include:

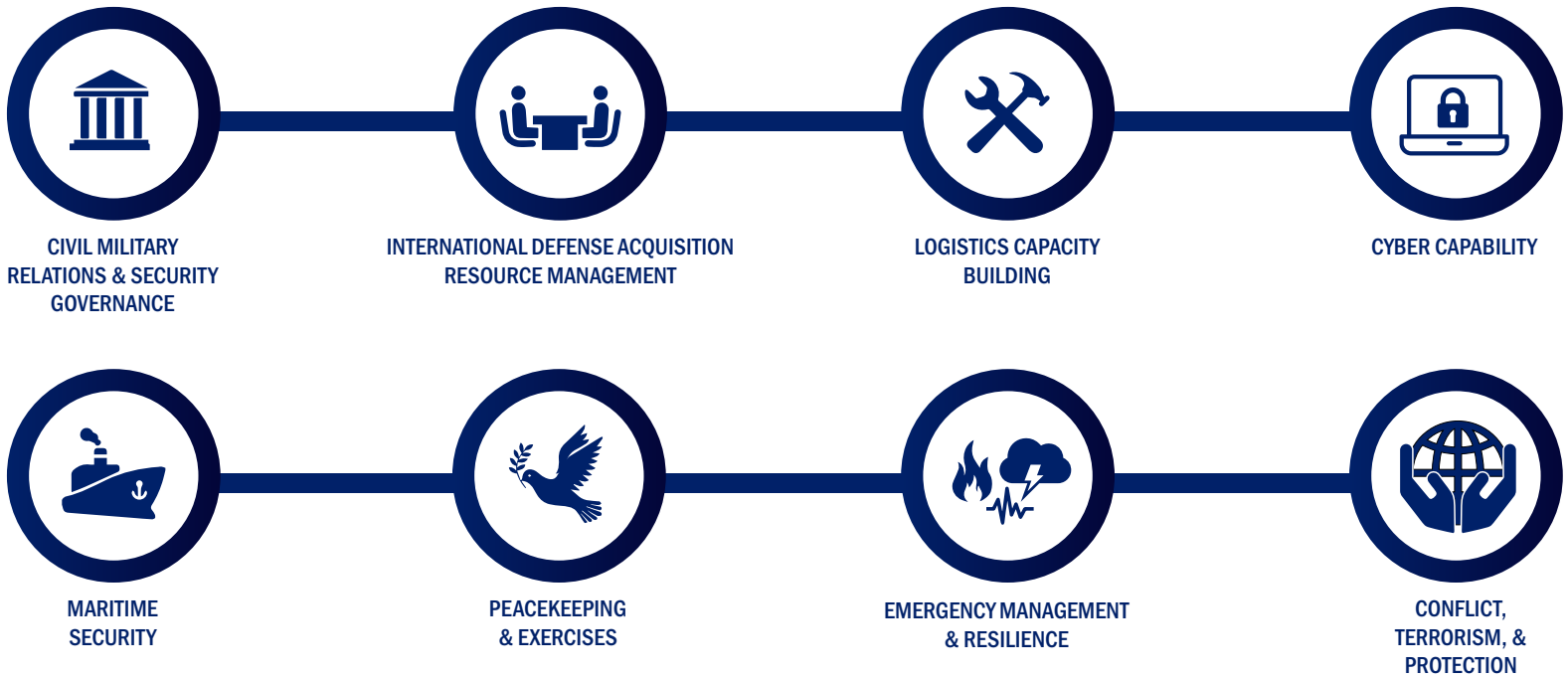
- ◆ Defense acquisition: policy and accountability
- ◆ Characteristics of transparent resource management systems
- ◆ Accountability and defense budgeting
- ◆ Transparency, fraud, and ethics
- ◆ Accountability: the role of defense industry
- ◆ Transparency and accountability: global trends and implications

PARTICIPANTS

This course is designed for international military officers of grades O-4 to O-6 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 in order 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.