CIVIL-MILITARY COORDINATION IN DISASTER RELIEF

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The Civil-Military Coordination in Disaster Relief course develops a comprehensive understanding of how national governments organize and use their armed forces to support domestic and international disaster response operations. The course emphasizes cross-community understanding and communication skills that improve the ways that armed forces, government civilian agencies, and non- and inter-governmental organizations can work more effectively alongside one another in disaster relief.

OBJECTIVES
At the end of this course, participants will be able to:
♦ Deepen their understanding of disaster response communities
♦ Develop knowledge of national systems for coordinating disaster responses
♦ Explore the methods used by the international community to support national governments during disaster response
♦ Exercise their capacity to build trust, identify shared objectives, and promote collaboration
♦ Explore emerging concepts and initiatives from various communities
♦ Build cross-community professional networks

TOPICS
Participants will learn best practices for coordinating relief within their own countries and methods for participating in international responses for other countries. Daily course instruction includes a variety of methodologies, including direct instruction, discussion, case studies, and classroom exercises. Course topics may include:
♦ Disaster management architecture
♦ Incident command systems
♦ Civil-military coordination in an emergency operations center (EOC)
♦ International guidelines in civil-military disaster relief coordination
♦ Disaster-related displacement and protection of vulnerable populations
♦ Managing crises in complex urban environments

PARTICIPANTS
This course is recommended for mid- to senior-level officers in all armed services and civilian/government employees.
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 international communities of interest.

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 office 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 (RDFP).

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.