



# INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY GOVERNANCE

*Advancing Knowledge, Building Capacity, Strengthening Partners*



## CIVIL-MILITARY APPROACHES TO ELECTIONS SECURITY

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This course explores how a nation can coordinate its military and civilian security institutions, and civil society organizations to ensure safe and secure elections. Participants will gain a greater level of knowledge and respect for the roles, missions, and responsibilities that various organizations play in providing security during electoral processes in their country. The capstone exercise requires participants to prepare a code of conduct for how their organization will support security on election day.

### OBJECTIVES

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

- ◆ Identify common security threats during a national election
- ◆ Understand how to assign roles to civilian and military institutions to address identified threats
- ◆ Identify lessons learned and best practices to ensure a secure election
- ◆ Develop professional networks among elections security practitioners

### TOPICS

This course use expert presentations, facilitated discussions, and small-group exercises to help participants understand how to coordinate military and civilian organizations to address security challenges during the elections process. Course topics may include:

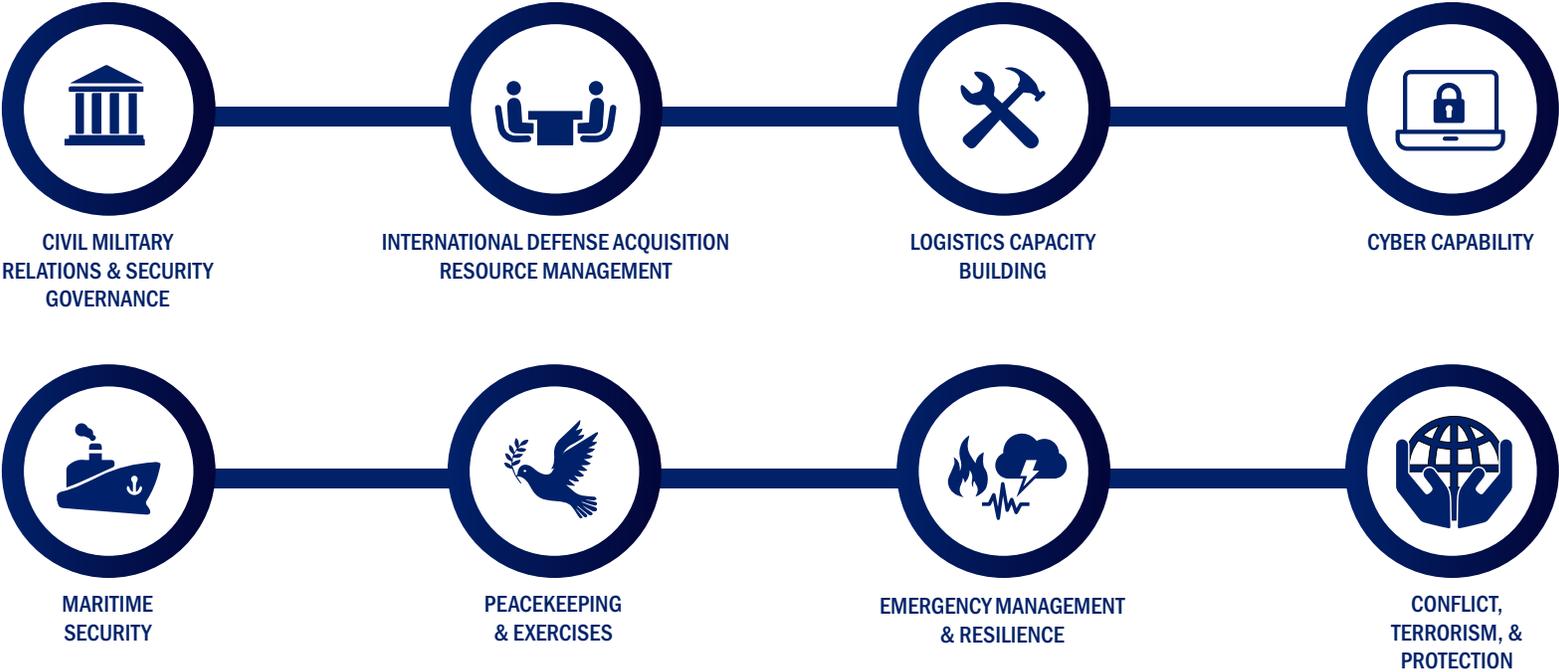
- ◆ Threat assessments
- ◆ Roles and missions of institutions
- ◆ Briefing from the National Independent Elections Commission (NIEC)
- ◆ Codes of conduct to enhance elections security

### PARTICIPANTS

Participants ought to be either military and civilian and drawn from police, elections commission, media, religious organizations, and civil society organizations. Participation is dependent more on responsibility than rank. Members of international organizations can also be invited to participate. 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 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 (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.