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EXECUTIVE-LEGISLATIVE RELATIONS IN DEFENSE

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The key objective of this course is to examine the methods civilian authorities and military officers in democracies use to establish effective linkages between a country's executive branch, legislature, and armed forces. It focuses on ensuring that members of the legislative and executive branches view security threats—and approaches to confronting those threats—in a common manner and highlights the importance of appropriating adequate resources for the roles and missions assigned to executive branch security agencies. Emphasis is placed on establishing specific mechanisms for coordination.

OBJECTIVES

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

- ◆ Articulate fundamental concepts related to positive civil-military relations
- ◆ Describe the importance of positive civil-military relations in the maintenance of national security
- ◆ Utilize specific skills to identify threats, assign institutional roles and missions, and develop whole-of-government responses to national security challenges
- ◆ Develop professional networks to address shared security interests

TOPICS

This course provides participants with a series of expert presentations and small group exercises designed to ensure that executive and legislative branch personnel have a common understanding of, and approach to, the security threats facing their nation. It provides practical approaches to creating systems that encourage coordination and whole-of-government responses to national security challenges. Course topics may include:

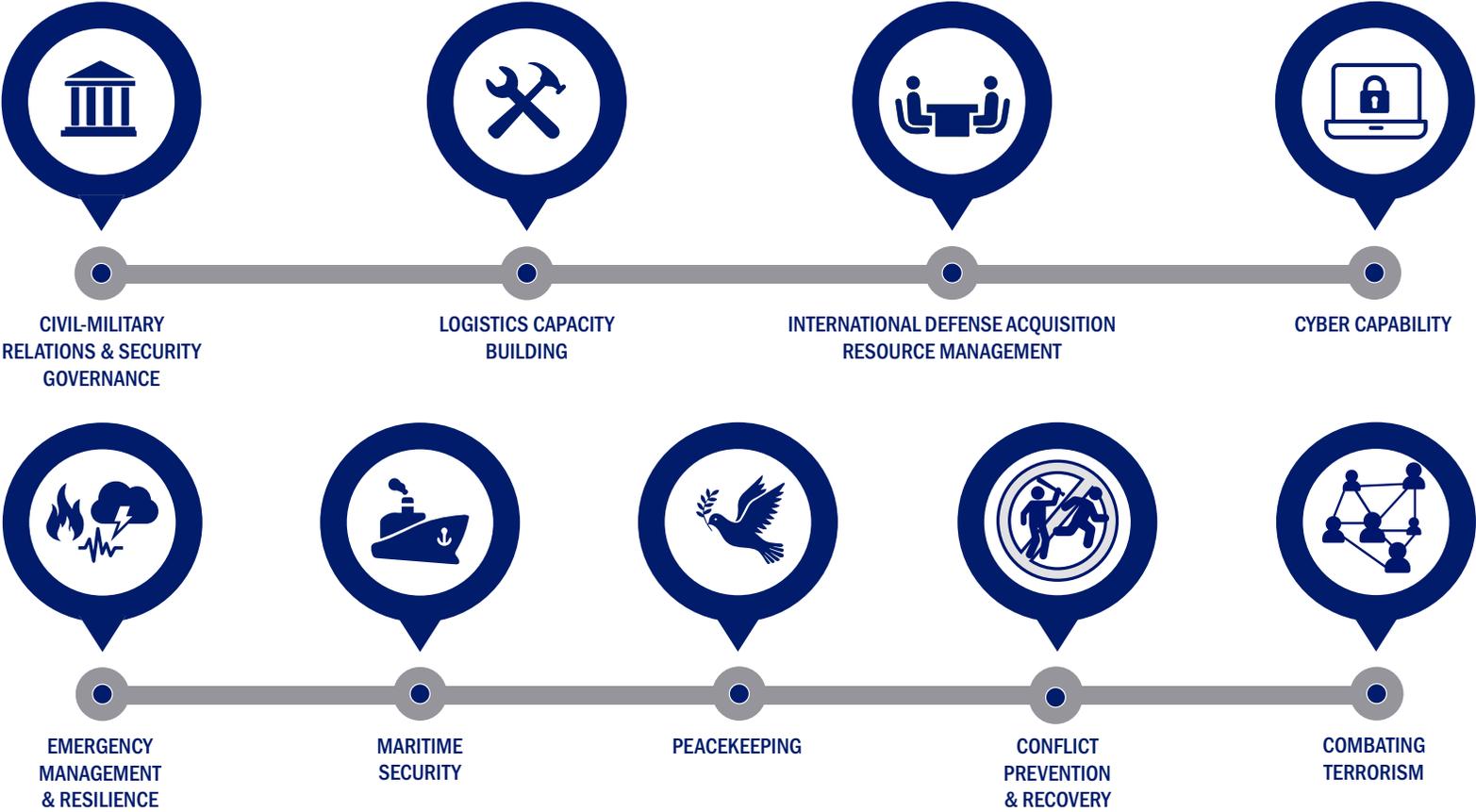
- ◆ The constitutional and legal framework of executive-legislative relations in defense and security
- ◆ The role of the executive branch in defense and security policies
- ◆ The role of the legislature in framing defense legislation
- ◆ Executive control and legislative oversight of defense and military policy
- ◆ Threat assessment
- ◆ Roles and missions

PARTICIPANTS

This course is designed for civilian legislators and officials, military officers in the ranks of Lieutenant Colonel to General, and representatives from other institutions concerned with developing effective linkages between the executive branch, the legislatures, and the armed forces. 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.



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, CTIWWP/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.