

SECURING THE STATE: BUILDING INSTITUTIONS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

RESIDENT: P179897 MOBILE: N/A CERTIFICATION: PME, E-IMET

This four-week resident course equips participants with the skills needed to utilize capabilities-based assessments to identify capability gaps in security and defense arenas. The course uses a mix of lecture, interactive small-group sessions, simulation exercises, and discussions with subject matter experts to explore how to prepare national security institutions to address national security threats. The course offers approaches to establish healthy civil-military relations and interagency coordination to ensure effective, whole-of-government responses to national security challenges.

OBJECTIVES

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

- ♦ Articulate fundamental concepts related to positive civil-military relations
- Utilize specific skills to identify threats, assign institutional roles, and develop whole-of-government responses
- Identify when and how a nation's armed forces can be used to support civil authorities in times of crisis/emergency
- Assess the effectiveness of efforts to confront security threats and make operational changes to ensure success
- Develop professional networks to address shared security interests

TOPICS

This course explores how to build the military and civilian security institutions necessary to defend the citizenry. It utilizes ISG's "Civil-Military Approaches to National Security Challenges" methodology to equip participants with the skills needed to identify threats, assign roles and missions of security institutions, develop ministry-level strategies, enhance interagency coordination, and develop strategic communication campaigns to ensure whole-of-government responses to national security challenges. Course topics may include:

- Civil-military relations and democratically-elected civilian control of the armed forces
- Measures of effectiveness and assessment, and monitoring and evaluation
- All-hazards risk assessment (presentation and small-group exercise)
- Roles and missions of the security forces and government institutions (presentation and small-group exercise)
- Military professionalism and institutional leadership
- Military support to civilian authorities

PARTICIPANTS

Offices of Defense Cooperation (ODCs) are asked to draw participation from the widest possible spectrum of military and civilian officials from mid- to senior-level positions. Participants (particularly women) from academia, media, political parties, and other civil society organizations are strongly encouraged to attend.



ISG PROGRAM AREAS

ISG's tailored education and professional development programs support the sustainment of a comprehensive knowledge base and strengthen partner capacities to confront complex security and defense challenges. Engagements 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 U.S. 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 U.S. Government's Security Cooperation efforts. Interested partner nation personnel should contact their government's international cooperation section, or the relevant U.S. Embassy's security/military cooperation office for selection processes and enrollment. Interested U.S. 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 Fellowship Program (RDFP).

ABOUT ISG



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