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WOMEN, PEACE, AND SECURITY IN PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

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The course aim is to develop understanding of the United Nations (UN) Women, Peace, and Security (WPS) agenda, including WPS implications for national peacekeeping training and implementation commitments. The course enables participants to effectively implement the WPS agenda in a peacekeeping mission. Women's roles in building sustainable peace are essential, but largely ignored when peace agreements are negotiated, as are the specific needs, capabilities, and skills they bring to peacebuilding. At the end of this course, participants should be able to effectively promote the WPS agenda, concepts, and approaches at the national level and in peace operations. This includes gendered responses to conflict and gender mainstreaming at operational and tactical levels. The course examines the specific threats and challenges to men, women, and children in areas of conflict and tools for peacekeepers to enhance Protection of Civilians.

OBJECTIVES

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

- ◆ Discuss the legal frameworks and UN policy guidance and mandates on the WPS agenda
- ◆ Identify and differentiate concepts and terminologies, including Conflict-Related Sexual Violence and Child Protection
- ◆ Discuss uniformed men's and women's participation in peacekeeping, including barriers, opportunities, and linkage to peacekeeping capabilities
- ◆ Outline WPS roles and responsibilities of mission components and partners
- ◆ Identify lessons learned and implementation strategies on gender responsive peacekeeping to ensure Protection of Civilians (POC)
- ◆ Articulate the importance of gender responsive conflict analysis to military planning and execution

TOPICS

The training methodology includes presentations from subject matter experts, group and plenary discussions, and classroom exercises. Group discussions and exercises focus on problem-solving scenarios and standalone problems related to peacekeeping operations (PKO). Course topics may include:

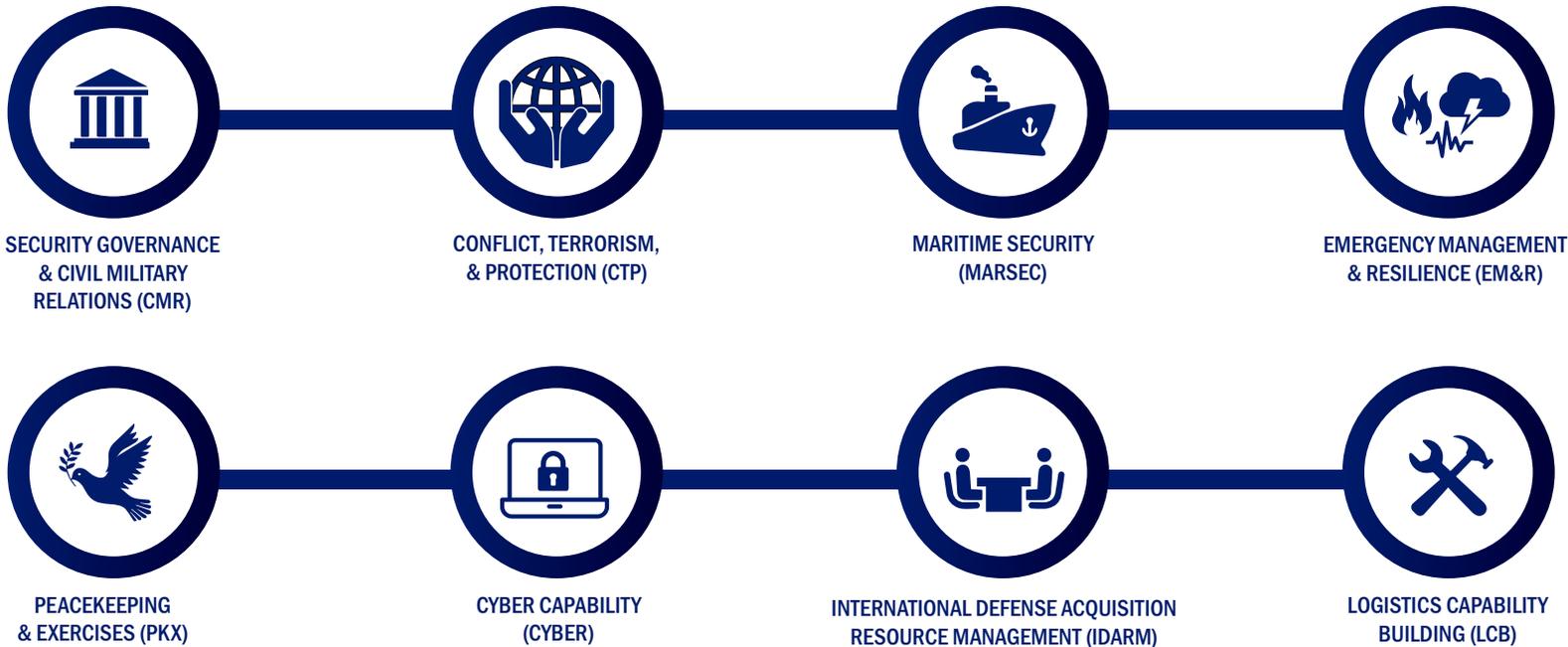
- ◆ Integrating gender into PKO
- ◆ Community protection plans
- ◆ Protection of Civilians
- ◆ Lessons identified and learned from peace operations

PARTICIPANTS

The primary audiences are staff officers at operational and tactical levels, and trainers assigned to national peacekeeping training institutions. Additionally, Ministry of Defense officials working on peacekeeping policy issues may also participate.

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).

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