



**INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY GOVERNANCE**  
DEFENSE SECURITY COOPERATION UNIVERSITY

# ISG Turns Five

Established in April 2019, The Defense Security Cooperation University's (DSCU) Institute for Security Governance (ISG) is charged with building partner institutional capacity and capability through tailored advising, education, and professional development programs grounded in American values and approaches.

Over the past five years, ISG has worked to align Institutional Capacity Building (ICB) development, execution, and education within the Defense Security Cooperation Agency (DSCA) and the Defense Security Cooperation University (DSCU). Some related accomplishments to advance Security Cooperation with U.S. allies and partners include:

## ISG FOCUS AREAS

ISG works globally with partners and allies on a range of advising, education, and professional development programs. Over the past five years, the Institute has significantly expanded its capacity building focus areas.

 <b>REGIONAL FOCUS</b>	 <b>ICB ADVISING &amp; DEFENSE MANAGEMENT</b>	 <b>EDUCATION &amp; PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT</b>	 <b>EMERGENT CAPABILITIES</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Africa</li> <li>• Europe</li> <li>• Indo-Pacific</li> <li>• Middle East &amp; Central Asia</li> <li>• Western Hemisphere</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategy, Policy &amp; Planning</li> <li>• Human Resource Management</li> <li>• Financial Management</li> <li>• Logistics</li> <li>• Cyber Capability</li> <li>• Intelligence</li> <li>• Professional Military Education</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Security Governance</li> <li>• Civil-Military Relations</li> <li>• Conflict, Terrorism &amp; Protection</li> <li>• Maritime Security</li> <li>• Emergency Mgmt. &amp; Resilience</li> <li>• Peacekeeping &amp; Exercises</li> <li>• Cyber Capability</li> <li>• Defense Acquisition</li> <li>• Logistics</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women, Peace &amp; Security</li> <li>• Civilian Harm Mitigation</li> <li>• Climate Security</li> <li>• Space</li> </ul>

## ISG AWARDED FOR EXCELLENCE



Over the past five years, ISG's collaborative work with Jordan, Colombia, and Ukraine has been acknowledged on four occasions with the prestigious U.S. Secretary of Defense Award in Maintenance Training, Advice, and Assistance of Foreign Security Forces – Ministerial Category.

Additionally, in 2022, the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff awarded the Joint Meritorious Unit Award for exceptionally meritorious service to Headquarters, United States Central Command, and select subordinate units. Eight ISG Resident Advisors (MoDAs), who were deployed in region at the time and contributed to the mission, were among those cited for this prestigious award.

## FY18 – FY23 ACTIVITY SNAPSHOT

<p><b>1380</b> Non-Resident Advising Activities</p> <p><b>454</b> Hybrid/Virtual Advising Activities</p> <p><b>107</b> Resident Courses</p>	<p><b>391</b> Mobile, Hybrid, &amp; Virtual Education Teams</p> <p><b>31</b> State Partnership Program Activities</p> <p><b>62</b> Exercise Support Activities</p>
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In five years under the auspices of DSCA and our nearly 30 years of history as a DoD Security Cooperation implementing component, ISG has grown remarkably into a pivotal force within the Department of Defense, expanding our reach with our foreign partners and continuing to innovate and implement in all aspects of Security Cooperation. Our primary mission remains our focus: to advance U.S. national security interests by strengthening the institutional capacity of partner and allies' defense and security sectors.

**- ISG Director Ian Wexler**

The Institute for Security Governance (ISG) is the Department of Defense's leading implementer for ICB and one of its primary international schoolhouses.



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