

UN Countering Terrorist Travel Programme



The [Countering Terrorist Travel Programme](#), a flagship global initiative of the [United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism \(UNOCT\)](#), assists beneficiary Member States in building their capabilities to detect and counter terrorists and serious criminals by using Advance Passenger Information (API) and Passenger Name Record (PNR) data to improve the use of international databases with known and suspected terrorists and criminals, and enhance international information exchange, in accordance with Security Council resolutions [2178](#) (2014), [2396](#) (2017), and [2482](#) (2019), international standards and recommended practices and human rights principles.

The Secretary-General officially launched the Programme on 7 May 2019. Since then, more than 50 Member States have officially joined the growing global partnership.

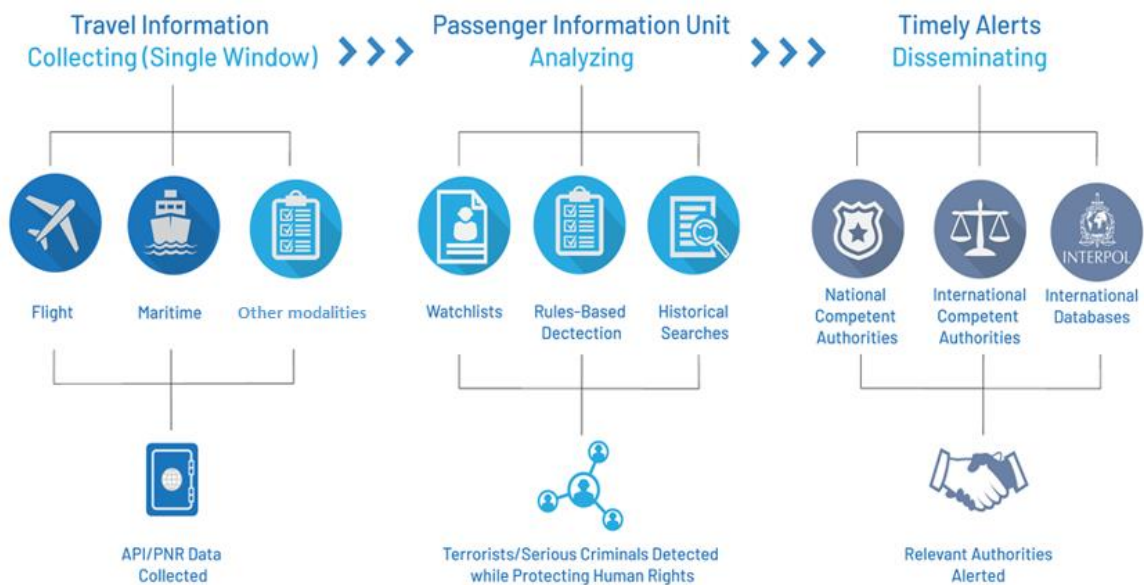
In an “All-of-UN” partnership with the [United Nations Counter-Terrorism Executive Directorate \(CTED\)](#), the [United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime \(UNODC\)](#), the [International Civil Aviation Organization \(ICAO\)](#), the [United Nations Office of Information and Communication Technology \(UNOICT\)](#), the [International Criminal Police Organization \(INTERPOL\)](#), and in close cooperation with the [International Organization for Migration \(IOM\)](#), the Programme comprehensively assists beneficiary Member States in legislative, operational, transport industry engagement, and technical areas. This includes the donation and deployment of the United Nations ‘goTravel’ software system. The Programme has been designed in accordance with human rights principles and United Nations policies in this regard.

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The **Programme** provides comprehensive, yet tailored assistance to Member States across four key pillars of work. In tandem with awareness raising activities, CT Travel initiates the provision of assistance by arranging and conducting focused national consultations on API and PNR of confirmed beneficiary Member States. After determining a state's existing level of capabilities, the Programme produces a roadmap for the Member State that identifies steps for implementation across the areas of work:

- ➔ **First**, legislative assistance to put in place a legal framework that regulates the collection, processing and protection of data;
- ➔ **Second**, operational assistance to establish a Passenger Information Unit (PIU), including training and drafting standard operating procedures;
- ➔ **Third**, facilitating air carrier engagement and connectivity, by building close cooperation with the transport industry; and
- ➔ **Fourth**, providing technical assistance and support to deploy the UN 'goTravel' software to collect, process, and analyze passenger data.



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Additional Programme Tools and Support

- ✉ A **maritime component** has been added to the Programme scope to address beneficiary Member States' need to secure coastlines, formulating recommendations and proposing a framework for each area of work of the Programme in order to enable the future collection and analysis of maritime passenger and crew data.
- ✉ In addition to **national implementation**, the Programme offers support through the formation of regional Informal Working Groups (IWG). IWGs allow states in a region to discuss and address common challenges and interests. This good practice brings a cross-border vision and knowledge of threats while promoting the exchange of information as well as close operational and technical collaboration between PIUs in a region.
- ① The **Programme** has also established the Collaborative Online Platform (COP), a password-restricted forum for Programme partners, beneficiary Member States as well as various experts involved with the Programme. The COP currently features a wide array of online resources and includes a Pool of Experts. The Pool of Experts includes international experts from ministerial/policy, legal and national detection capabilities backgrounds, including those from national competent authorities, who can help train, mentor and advise beneficiary Member States receiving assistance within the framework of the Programme. In addition, these experts advise, share experience and lessons learned, and help train the PIUs or competent authorities of the Programme's beneficiary Member States.
- ① The **Programme** has developed a five-day training course that touches upon different topics related the four key pillars of work, covering legislation, technical assistance, carrier engagement, and the 'goTravel' software solution. In addition, CT Travel has finalized an entry-level training course on establishing specific governance elements to ensure institutional commitment and support for PIUs, as well as the generic Terms of Reference for PIUs.



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