



The Office provides its capacity-building support to Member States through the UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT) and the Special Projects and Innovation Branch (SPIB). UNCCT was established by an initial contribution of the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia to the Counter-Terrorism Trust Fund in 2011. UNCCT has an Advisory Board composed of 21 Member States plus the European Union (EU) as a Guest Member. SPIB was established following a contribution by the State of Qatar as part of the Contribution Agreement between UNOCT and the State of Qatar signed in 2018.

To enhance coordination and coherence, the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Coordination Compact, which is a coordination framework bringing together 45 entities, was launched by the UN Secretary-General in December 2018. The Compact operates thanks to a contribution of the State of Qatar. It operates through its Coordination Committee and eight thematic Inter-Agency Working Groups, which were revitalized in April 2019, providing an “All-of-UN approach” to the system’s work on counter-terrorism and preventing and countering violent extremism as conducive to terrorism.



UNOCT Mandate

Established through GA resolution 71/291 on 15 June 2017, the Office has five functions:

- ▶ **Provide leadership** on the GA counter-terrorism mandates entrusted to the Secretary-General from across the UN system
- ▶ **Enhance coordination and coherence** across the 45 Global Counter-Terrorism Compact entities to ensure the balanced implementation of the four pillars of the UN Global CT Strategy
- ▶ **Strengthen delivery** of UN counter-terrorism capacity building assistance to Member States
- ▶ **Improve visibility**, advocacy and resource mobilization for UN counter-terrorism efforts
- ▶ **Ensure that due priority is given** to counter-terrorism across the UN system and that the important work on preventing violent extremism is firmly rooted in the Strategy

▶ Leadership

At the UN Security Council’s **high-level open debate** on Countering Terrorism by Strengthening Cooperation with Regional Organizations, Secretary-General António Guterres **highlighted** the role of the Global CT Coordination Compact in bringing together UN agencies and other stakeholders to deliver tailored assistance to African Member States. (28 Mar)



USG Voronkov briefed Member States on the Secretary-General’s report on activities of the UN system in implementing the UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, emphasizing the

need for an evolution in multilateral counter-terrorism efforts. (3 Mar)

In **his remarks** for **International Women’s Day**, USG Voronkov **reiterated** UNOCT’s commitment to furthering gender-responsive and human rights-based approaches to counter-terrorism, as well as promoting gender equality and the empowerment of all women and girls. (8 Mar)

▶ Highlights

- During the fifth UN Conference on Least Developed Countries, UNOCT International Hub on Behavioural Insights **organized**, in partnership with the Embassy of Rwanda to Qatar, a side-event entitled “Leveraging a Behavioural Insights Approach to Build Resilience to Radicalization” (8 Mar)
- **UNOCT**, in collaboration with **UNODC** and the **Group of Friends of Victims of Terrorism**, **held** a hybrid roundtable on the Model Legislative Provisions to raise awareness on capacity-building support to strengthen Member States efforts to better support the rights and needs of victims of terrorism. (14 Mar)



- **UNOCT and the Institute for Economics and Peace (IEP)** **co-organized** a high-level event to discuss the current terrorist threat landscape and emerging trends. (16 Mar)



- **UNCCT and OPCW**, within the Working Group on Emerging Threats and Critical Infrastructure joint project, held an Inter-agency Workshop on Information Exchange to discuss the types and uses of relevant information during the various phases of an attack, the current mechanisms for information exchange and additional mechanisms to improve it. (27-28 Mar)



UNOCT Office Structure

www.un.org/counterterrorism/office-structure



Recent Contributions to UNOCT

UNOCT received contributions in support for the following programme:

UNODC/EU: \$320,287 to strengthen effort to Prevent Violent Extremism (PVE) and enhance Human Rights in Uganda

► Capacity-building

UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT)

UNCCT, CTED and UNIDIR held a three-day workshop for representatives from the Caribbean region to promote the Technical Guidelines to facilitate the implementation of Security Council resolution 2370 (2017). (7-9 Mar)



UNCCT and France, in collaboration with the United States, and through funding of the European Union and Finland, concluded a two and a half day Lutetia Tabletop Exercise and Workshop on Radiological/Nuclear (R/N) detection and links to traditional national security in Paris. (14-16 Mar)

UNCCT and UNODC organized a “Workshop on National Firearms Legislation: Opportunities for Updating and Harmonization” for Turkmenistan authorities to promote an enhanced normative and institutional framework against illicit SALW trafficking (9-10 Mar); and jointly conducted a five-day national training on “Countering Firearms Trafficking, Terrorism, and other crimes: Tools for effective investigation and prosecution”. (13-17 Mar)

UNCCT Global Programme on Prosecution, Rehabilitation and Reintegration (PRR)

held a consultation workshop in Dushanbe, Tajikistan, to validate and collect information on national PRR practices and conduct a preliminary needs analysis on



potential development of an all-of-UN programme of support on the management of individuals returning from Syria and Iraq. (27-31 Mar)

Special Projects & Innovation Branch (SPIB)

The Global Countering Terrorist Travel Programme briefed a delegation from the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia National Traveler Security Centre (NTSC) to discuss cooperation on the use of Advance Passenger Information (API) and Passenger Name Record (PNR) to detect and counter terrorist travel. (7-9 Mar)

UNOCT Rabat Programme Office, together with the Global Counter Terrorism Investigations Programme, held the first graduation ceremony of the Specialized Training Curriculum on Counter-Terrorism Investigations and signed a Memorandum of Understanding. (10 Mar)



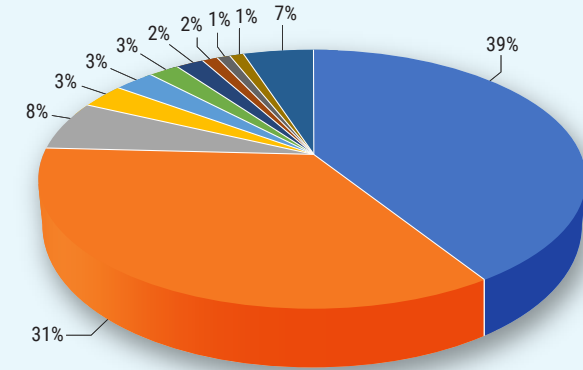
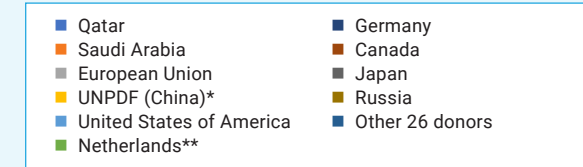
UNOCT added 8 new e-learning courses, 2 new Communities of Practice, and more than 1,000 new users to Connect & Learn, its online capacity-building platform for key stakeholders.

Jointly with NATO/EUROCONTROL Air Traffic Management Security Coordinating Group (NEASCOG), the Programme on Threat Assessment Models for Aviation Security (“TAM Programme”) hosted a two-day workshop in Brussels, focusing on intelligence based civil aviation security and sharing of best practices. (15-16 Mar)



Top Contributors to UNOCT

UNOCT cumulative pledges since inception of the Trust Fund for Counter Terrorism and from other funds to date, amount to \$355.4 million, out of which \$270.8 million has been received from 36 funding partners. Overall, the top contributors to date are:



* Allocation from the UN Peace and Development Trust Fund
** In addition, in-kind contribution provided by the Netherlands (valued at \$11.5 million in 2018) and Hungary (\$534 thousand in 2021).



UN Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy

Pillar I

Addressing the conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism

Pillar II

Preventing and combating terrorism

Pillar III

Building States' capacity and strengthening the role of the UN

Pillar IV

Ensuring human rights and the rule of law