



## About UNOCT

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 46 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 46 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

## ► UNGA78 High-Level Week

During the **High-level Week of the General Assembly**, UNOCT co-organized and participated in several Member-State-organized side-events, including the Fourth Ministerial Meeting of the [Group of Friends of Victims of Terrorism](#), co-hosted by Iraq and Spain, the [Strong Cities Fourth Global Summit](#),

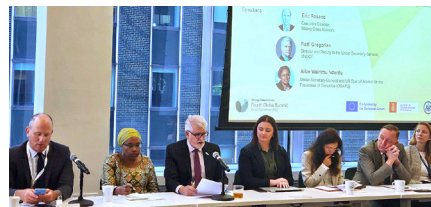
and the 13th [Global Counterterrorism Forum Ministerial Plenary Meeting](#).

On 21 September, Nigeria and UNOCT organized a [ministerial-level meeting of African Member States](#) on the **African Counter-Terrorism Summit** planned for April 2024 in Abuja, Nigeria. Deputy Secretary-General Amina Mohammed opened the meeting, which gathered 120 participants, including 15 African Ministers and five heads of regional organizations. The meeting discussed ways to strengthen regional cooperation to address the terrorism



threat on the continent and potential outcomes for the Summit.

**USG Voronkov** also held bilateral meetings with Officials from 24 Member States and five regional organizations on the margins of UNGA High-level Week.



## ► Highlights

- **DUSG Gregorian** [briefed](#) Member States at the UNOCT Quarterly Briefing. (7 Sep)
- **IOM, UNODC and UNOCT** [launched](#) an **Integrated Border Stability Mechanism (IBSM)** to strengthen boarder governance and security in West Africa. (14 Sep)
- **UNOCT and OSCE** [signed](#) extension of joint Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and Biennial Action Plan on preventing and countering terrorism. (18 Sep)
- **UNOCT and the Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS)** [signed](#) an MoU to strengthen co-operation on preventing and countering terrorism and violent extremism in West Africa. (22 Sep)
- **UNOCT** [signed](#) an MoU with the **University of Málaga** to enhance cooperation on counter-terrorism research, training and knowledge-sharing. (26 Sep)
- **The 2023 Counter-Terrorism Week Visibility Report** was [launched](#) to showcase key conclusions and outcomes of the Third High-Level Conference of Heads of Counter-Terrorism Agencies of Member States (19-20 June) and 40 side events (19-23 June).
- **UNOCT launched its presence on LinkedIn**. Follow our page to learn more about our work and stay updated on UNOCT's latest initiatives and partnerships, aimed at creating a future without terrorism.



## UNOCT Office Structure

[www.un.org/counterterrorism/office-structure](http://www.un.org/counterterrorism/office-structure)





## Recent Contributions to UNOCT

During the month of September, UNOCT received contributions in support of the following programmes:

**Spain: EUR 454,873 / USD 476,980** earmarked funding for the Global Programme on Countering Terrorist Threats against Vulnerable Targets in Mauritania.

**Spain: EUR 50,000 / USD 53,250** earmarked for the Victims of Terrorism Support Programme.

**USA: USD 493,001** earmarked top-up funding for Building the Capacity of Member States to Prevent, Detect and Investigate Terrorist Offences and Related Travel by Using API/PNR data.

**USA: USD 493,750** earmarked funding for the Border Security and Management Programme.

## ► Capacity-building

### UN Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT)

The **Global Programme on Cybersecurity and New Technologies** held a regional CT TECH awareness raising workshop for [Africa in Nairobi, Kenya](#) (12-14 Sep) and for [Central Asia and Mongolia in Tashkent, Uzbekistan](#) (27 Sep), focusing on developing national counter-terrorism policy to counter the use of new technologies for terrorist purposes while protecting human rights.



The **Global Programme on Preventing and Countering Violent Extremism (PCVE)** participated in a regional workshop on the use of cyberspace for terrorism purposes organized by the African Centre for the Study & Research on Terrorism (ACSRT/CAERT) in Algiers, Algeria. (29 Sep)

### Special Projects & Innovation Branch (SPIB)

The **UN Countering Terrorist Travel (CT Travel) Programme** held a Rules-Based Targeting (RBT) and UN



'goTravel' training in [Luxembourg for police, customs, and security service officials](#). (25-27 Sep)

In partnership with the **Kingdom of Morocco, the Global Fusion Cells Programme** delivered its "[Briefing and Debriefing](#)" course (25-26 Sep) to officials from eight African countries, and its "[Ethical Decision-Making](#)" course to officials from The Gambia, Libya, Mauritania, Nigeria and Sierra Leone (27-29 Sep).

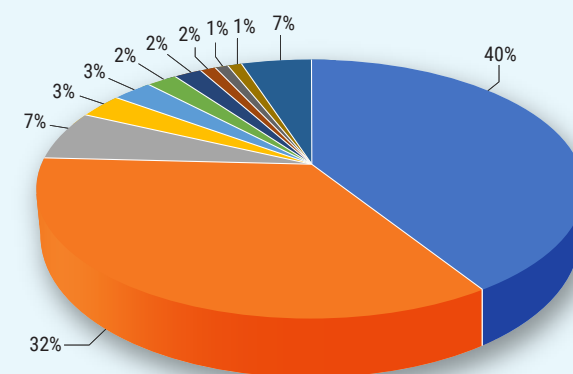
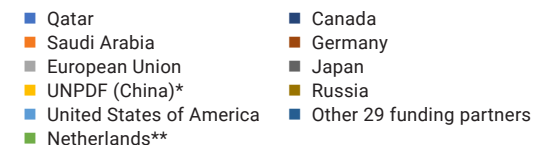
### Human Rights and Gender Section (HRGS)

The **Human Rights and Gender Section** consulted with beneficiaries as well as national and international partners in Baghdad, Iraq, with a view of establishing a plan to implement its capacity-building project on Human Rights and Counter-Terrorism in Iraq. (17-21 Sep)



## Top Contributors to UNOCT

UNOCT cumulative pledges since inception of the Trust Fund for Counter Terrorism and from other funds to date, amount to **\$362 million**, out of which **\$298 million** has been received from **39** 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 (\$1.1 million in 2021-2022).



## 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

