

Global Counter-Terrorism Research Network



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Fact sheet



Academia is an important partner of the United Nations Security Council Counter-Terrorism Committee and its Executive Directorate (CTED).

Academic research plays a vital role in the work of the Committee and CTED to analyse terrorism and violent extremism and make recommendations to Member States on ways to address emerging trends and challenges in those areas.

In accordance with Security Council resolution 2129 (2013),



the Committee, with the support of CTED, launched the Global Counter-Terrorism Research Network to further engage and enhance its partnerships with, among others, academia, think tanks and other entities in conducting research and information-gathering, and identifying good practices.

Coordinated by the CTED Political Analysis and Research Cluster,

the research network consists of leading think tanks and research institutions from Africa, Asia, Europe, the Middle East, the Americas, and Oceania.



Partnering with academic and research institutions and think tanks

enables the Committee and CTED to keep abreast of emerging trends and challenges and to identify and share good practices in Member States' implementation of the relevant Security Council resolutions.



The network acts as a forum

in which the Committee and CTED can engage with their research partners on their assessment of current trends and challenges in the areas of terrorism and counter-terrorism, including developments on the ground.

Specific focus areas include

- border management
- countering violent extremism (CVE)
- foreign terrorist fighters (FTFs)
- human rights
- information and communications technology (ICT)
- international, regional, and subregional cooperation
- law enforcement
- legal issues
- the role of women in countering terrorism and violent extremism
- terrorism financing



Members of the network are identified and approached by the CTED Political Analysis and Research Cluster

on the basis of, inter alia, academic excellence, research focus, and the need to ensure geographical diversity.



For further information, please visit <https://www.un.org/sc/ctc/focus-areas/research/>.