Strategic Analysis Course Program

Day 1

Time	Session	Topic
9.00 – 10.30	Session 1: Introduction	• Students and instructors introduce themselves • Ice breaker exercise • Course aims, objectives, structure and approach
10.30 – 11.00	***Break***	
11.00 – 11.30	Session 1: Introduction (cont)	• Recommendation 29 • Course aims, objectives, structure and approach
11.30 – 12.30	Module 2: Introduction to critical thinking	• Mindsets & Biases • Assumptions
12.30 – 13.30	***Lunch***	
13.30 – 15.00	Module 2: Introduction to critical thinking	• Critical thinking • Structured analytic techniques
15.00– 15.30	***Break***	
15.30 – 17.00	Global exercise preparation	• Introduction to global exercise

Day 2

Time	Session	Topic
9.00 – 10.30	Module 3: Understanding strategic analysis	• Dimensions of analysis • Strategic analysis definitions • Data-to-knowledge • Benefits of strategic analysis • Strategic analysis product range
10.30 – 11.00	***Break***	
1.1.00 – 12.30	Module 4: Strategic analysis products (cont'd)	• Descriptive products • Visualization
12.30– 13.30	***Lunch***	
13.30-14.15	Module 4: Strategic analysis products (cont'd)	• Indicators, Typologies, Trends • Intelligence products
14.15 –14.45	Module 5: Intelligence cycle	• Intelligence cycle process and outcomes
15.00 – 15.30	***Break***	
15.30-17.00	Module 6: Planning and tasking	• Key assumption check list

Day 3

Time	Session	Topic
9.00-10.30	Module 6: Planning and tasking	• Planning and tasking • Terms of Reference
10.30 – 11.00	***Break***	
11.00 – 12.30	Module 7: Collection, collation and Evaluation	• Collection • Collation
12.30 – 13.30	***Lunch***	
13.30 – 15.00	Module 7: Collection, collation and Evaluation	• Evaluation • Collection - practical
15.00 – 15.30	***Break***	
15.15 – 17.00	Group work	• Global exercise

Day 4

Time	Session	Topic
9.00 – 10.30	Module 8: Advanced critical thinking	• Facts, premises and assumptions • Inferences • Hypothesis testing
10.30 – 11.00	***Break***	
11.00 – 12.30	Module 8: Advanced critical thinking (cont'd)	• Analysis • Conclusions and Assessments • Structured Analytic Techniques
12.30 – 13.30	***Lunch***	
13.30 – 15.00	Session 9: Reporting	• Considerations when reporting • Contents of reports • Charting
15.00 – 15.30	***Break***	
15.30 – 17.00	Group work	• Participants break up into teams to work on the Global exercise

Day 5

Time	Session	Topic
9.00 – 10.30	Module 10: Global exercise	• Terrorist resourcing model • Globex Presentations
10.30 – 11.00	***Break***	
11.00 – 12.30	Module 10: Global exercise	• Globex Presentations
12.30 – 13.30	***Lunch***	
13.30 – 15.00	Module 10: Global exercise	• Global exercise debrief and discussion
15.00 – 15.30	***Break***	
15.30 – 16.00	Course wrap-up	• Course evaluation and feedback • Presentation of certificates