

CICTE PROGRAM:

LEGISLATIVE ASSISTANCE AND COUNTER-TERRORISM FINANCING PROGRAM (LACTF)

Description



The **Legislative Assistance and Terrorism Financing Program** aims to strengthen the capacity of OAS Member States in developing CT legislation according with their legal international and regional obligations and promote national and operational policies against terrorism and its financing.

This program includes an ambitious project to prevent terrorism based on the detection and elimination of its funding sources and the criminalization of the financing of terrorist activities, through the promotion of international cooperation, the exchange of information, and the training of national authorities for effective implementation.

LACTF Program provides technical assistance to the OAS member states to develop and approve the necessary legislation to effectively counter terrorism and its financing, in accordance with the universal legal instruments against terrorism: the United Nations Convention against the Financing of Terrorism, the UN Security Council Resolutions, the Inter-American Convention against Terrorism, and the 40 Recommendations of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) on Money Laundering and Terrorism Financing (ML/FT).

Objectives

- Prevent terrorism based on the detection and elimination of terrorist networks' funding sources.
- Strengthen legal frameworks on counter-terrorism financing legislations, in accordance with counter-terrorism international standards.
- Building capacity amongst criminal justice practitioners (prosecutors, judges, and law enforcement officials), financial intelligence units' analysts to effectively use new investigative and prosecutorial tools.
- Increase the understanding of the changing nature of TF risks in the region by both public and private sector entities.
- Building capacity of the private sector on preventing terrorism-related financial flows and transactions and enhance the use of information and data to identify terrorist financing trends and patterns.
- Promote national, sub regional and international cooperation and information exchange to fight against terrorism and its financing.

Beneficiary countries



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Activities

- Legal assistance:
 - o legislative technical assistance through technical support on the drafting and passing of counter-terrorism and counter-terrorism financing legislations in the Hemisphere.
 - o enhance ratifications by member states of the universal legal instruments against terrorism.

- Technical and Capacity Building activities
 - o Specialized in-country training for prosecutors, judges and law enforcement officials, and financial intelligence units' analysts.
 - o Specialized national trainings for the private sector (financial and non-financial institutions) to detect, report and dismantle terrorism financing transactions.
 - o Regional, sub-regional, and national activities as training courses and workshops to advance the implementation of the universal and regional legal framework against terrorism and its financing.
 - o Promote sub regional and international cooperation, the exchange of experiences and good practices through different activities, including sub regional workshops and bilateral exercises.



Results

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New ratifications of universal legal instruments.

11 National laws against terrorism and its financing were adopted.

34 missions Legislative technical assistance missions.

3400 national officials were trained at the regional level.



Strategic Partners



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