# CICTE PROGRAM:
# AVIATION SECURITY

## Description



The Aviation Security program seeks to strengthen the capacity of OAS Member States, particularly law enforcement and aviation security authorities, to identify, prevent and mitigate threats to civil aviation.

The OAS/CICTE has extensive experience addressing aviation security needs in the region by working with government partners including with law enforcement agencies of specific OAS Member States. Close ties with other international and regional organizations, such as the United Nations, including ICAO, as well as CARICOM IMPACS, and IATA have enhanced expertise and multidisciplinary approaches to help counter threats to civil aviation in the Americas.

The OAS/CICTE network of National Points of Contact, with dedicated officers appointed by each Member State, ensures direct and expedited contact among national governments. This multilateral network helps promote security and information sharing, all designed to promote comprehensive aviation security efforts in the Western Hemisphere.

## Goals

>> The main objective is to strengthen the capacity of all OAS Member States to prevent terrorists and criminal groups from disrupting civil aviation operations, including through the delivery of targeted training courses to address low and high technology threats; insider threats; access control techniques; and air cargo security.

→ Increased access to knowledge, exchange of expertise and good practices among beneficiary OAS Member States of key challenges related to identify and prevent unlawful interference in civil aviation.

→ Enhanced technical skills and knowledge among beneficiary country's officials and their respective agencies to identify and prevent unlawful interference in civil aviation.

→ More robust, effective and timely information-sharing, cooperation and coordination among law enforcement agencies and Organizations at the national, regional and international level.

→ International standards on gender perspective and security policies and practices shared.

## Beneficiary countries

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| Antigua and Barbuda | Haiti |
| Argentina | Honduras |
| Barbados | Jamaica |
| Belize | Mexico |
| Bolivia | Nicaragua |
| Brazil | Panama |
| Canada | Paraguay |
| Chile | Peru |
| Colombia | Saint Kitts and Nevis |
| Costa Rica | Saint Lucia |
| Dominica | Saint Vincent and the Grenadines |
| Dominican Republic | Suriname |
| Ecuador | The Bahamas |
| El Salvador | Trinidad and Tobago |
| Grenada | United States |
| Guatemala | Uruguay |
| Guyana | Venezuela |

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## Activities

The program carries out national, subregional and hemispheric specialized security courses and workshops for the aviation security industry in OAS Member States in topics such as:

→ Countering Aviation Security Ecosystem Threats (CASET)

→ Insider Threats

→ Access Control

→ Cargo Security

## Expected Results

→ Improved cooperation and exchange of information among aviation security, law enforcement, customs and other border security officials.

→ Improved knowledge about the most up to date and relevant ICAO standards and recommended practices related to aviation security.

→ Increased understanding and awareness among public and private sector aviation security, and law enforcement front-line officers related to aviation security threats and help provide practical solutions to help them detect, prevent and counter those threats.

→ Increased knowledge and skills on the assessment and management of risks to aviation nationally and globally.

→ Improved knowledge on how to respond to incidents in airports and increase information exchange among relevant authorities.

→ Increased skills and knowledge of law enforcement and border security officials in implementing access control measures protecting the air cargo supply chain.

→ Increased skills and techniques for border security officials and law enforcement on how to identify and intercept passengers who pose a risk to aviation security.

## Strategic partners

US Department of State

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