

CICTE PROGRAM: CROWDED SPACES SECURITY

Description



The **Crowded Spaces Security program** provides beneficiary member states with a consolidated and tested methodology to efficiently design and implement integrated safety and security plans to protect crowded spaces and vulnerable targets, such as major events and/or tourism destinations.

Based on extensive experience in developing and implementing international standards and tools to assist Member States in safety and security planning, the Inter-American Committee against Terrorism of the Organization of American States (OAS/CICTE) in partnership with the United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute (UNICRI) are implementing a comprehensive 3-year capacity building program for the protection of crowded spaces and soft targets.

Through an approach that includes information sharing, establishment of national focal points networks and gender perspective training, we aim to provide the technical tools aiding the beneficiary Member States in the development of integrated safety and security plans through law enforcement partners and in collaboration with stakeholders in the private sector. Security stakeholders will engage in capacity building initiatives and establish common plans for the use of resources for the prevention, detection and rapid responses to incidents affecting major events and tourism activity in the region.

Goals

- Increase the capacity of beneficiary Member States to establish non-invasive integrated safety and security planning policies.
- Improve coordinated responses from all relevant stakeholders on the protection of crowded spaces and vulnerable targets.

Beneficiary countries

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



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Activities

- Country Needs Assessments in preparation for Major Sporting Events.
- Sub-regional trainings on the implementation of security protocols and national plans of actions.
- Sub-regional trainings on good practices and lessons learned for terrorist and criminal prevention and security for medium-size sporting events in the Caribbean, Central and South America.
- Trainings and Table-top Exercises on Tourism Security, and Regional Sporting Events.
- Hemispheric Workshops to share lessons learned and key findings and recommendations.



Achievements

over **900**

participants joined webinars focused on Tourism Security, Major Events, Biosecurity Protocols for the Reactivation of Tourism, and on the Prevention of Violent Extremism

One
National Tourism Security Strategy was finalized, approved, and adopted by Chile

Six
virtual trainings to 2 Central American countries in preparation to hosting major sporting events with Experts from several countries and agencies such as UNOCT, UNAOC and the ICSS



Strategic partners

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