

Administrative Circular

9 -11 November 2022 | Rome, Italy

MED Trident Tabletop Exercise (TTX)

Background

Italy, the Kingdom of Morocco, and the United States will host the MED Trident Tabletop Exercise (TTX) in collaboration with the United Nations Counter-Terrorism Centre (UNCCT) of the United Nations Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) and the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). The event will be a three-day multilateral activity aiming at demonstrating best practices and build confidence related to the detection of radiological/nuclear (R/N) materials at maritime ports, crime scenes, and the coordination of subsequent nuclear forensics investigations.

The exercise will develop participant understanding of the applicability of international legal frameworks for acts of R/N terrorism, in particular, the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism (ICSANT) and will encourage discussions on the limitations and strengths of different international cooperation mechanisms. The scenarios are designed to promote dialogue among experts from a broad range of participating countries and relevant government agencies including border control, customs, regulatory authorities, law enforcement, prosecutors, and nuclear forensics experts, among others.

Exercise Objectives

- 1. **Detection:** Identify and socialize best practices for radiological/nuclear (R/N) materials detection by information and instruments.
- 2. **Forensics:** Demonstrate the importance of nuclear forensics, interagency coordination, crime scene management, and source chain of custody when investigating and prosecuting cases involving R/N materials.
- 3. **Frameworks:** Underscore the importance of implementing the International Convention for the Suppression of Acts of Nuclear Terrorism (ICSANT) and national regulatory frameworks, as well as their roles in supporting effective prosecution of acts of R/N terrorism.
- 4. International Cooperation: Highlight effective models and mechanisms of international cooperation for R/N terrorism investigations and prosecution, including the use of National Nuclear Forensics Libraries (NNFLs), obligations under international legal instruments, and information exchange mechanisms.

Participation and Registration

All invited participants must register in advance to be admitted to the meeting. Participants can register using the following link https://forms.office.com/g/rQmHz7tr3i or QR code. The deadline for registration is **07 October 2022.** The exercise agenda and additional information will be sent to all registered attendees. For security and registration purposes, badges will be provided to all delegates at the registration. Badges must be kept and worn throughout the meeting.



<u>Costs</u>

There is no cost to register, although participants whose costs are not covered by the United Nations are expected to pay for their travel, accommodation, and other personal expenses. Coffee breaks will be provided free of charge to confirmed registrants. Lunches will also be provided free of charge to confirmed registrants each day of the event.

<u>Venue</u>

The exercise will take place at:

The National Fire Academy (Istituto Superiore Antincendi, ISA) Via del Commercio, 13 00154, Rome, ITALY

Accommodations

Participants are encouraged to stay at the Abitart Hotel, 20 Via Pellegrino Matteucci 10 (00154, Rome) or other hotels located near this conference venue.

Dress Code: Business Attire

Language: The meeting will be conducted in English with no interpretation.

Visas and Passports: Participants from certain countries require visas to enter.

For detailed information on how to apply for a visa, we recommend you visit the website of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation https://vistoperitalia.esteri.it/home/en or contact the embassy of Italy in your country.

<u>Points of Contact</u>: If you have any questions about the activity, please contact Mike Wipper (wipperms@state.gov), Fanny Fert (fanny.fert@un.org), and Maria Lorenzo Sobrado (maria.lorenzosobrado@un.org).

Travel Official Languages: Italian Currency: Euro Credit Cards: Major credit cards are accepted Time Zone: UTC+2 Climete: The first four weeks are likely your pleasant with the average to

Climate: The first few weeks are likely very pleasant with the average temperature in Rome in November around 16 degrees Celsius during the day, but you may need a jacket in the evenings. In November, rain is somewhat likely, so an outer jacket layer is recommended.

Electricity: Type C & E – 220 V/50