



## Program on Terrorism and Security Studies

PTSS creates and empowers a global network of counterterrorism (CT) professionals in the fight against transnational terrorism and violent extremist organizations (VEO). Participants examine terrorist actions and capabilities while discussing and sharing best practices for comprehensive whole-of-government and whole-of-society solutions. Participants work closely to generate common understanding while building professional networks and forming practitioner focused intellectual interoperability that transcends national borders. The program empowers counterterrorism security officials to cooperate and coordinate regionally and globally while balancing security with the rule of law, international norms, and democratic political and societal values.



## Course Details

### DATE

June 5-30, 2023

### LOCATION

George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies, Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany

### HOW TO REGISTER

For information, contact the U.S. or German embassy in your capital, your ministry point of contact, or visit: <https://www.marshallcenter.org/en>

### COURSE LANGUAGE

English

## OUR VISION



Participants meet professional peers from around the world and build security relationships that last for years



It takes a global network to fight a global threat



The program works with leading world experts on terrorism and counterterrorism to provide useful insights and analysis

## OUR CONTENT

- Understanding and Defining Terrorism
- The Origins and Motivations for Terrorism
  - Terrorist Threats and Strategies
  - Terrorist Use of Information and Communication Technology
    - Developing CT Strategies
  - Instruments of National Power in Counterterrorism
    - Military Forces in CT
  - Law Enforcement and Intelligence Responses to Terrorism
- Whole-of-Society Responses to Terrorism
- Crisis Management & Societal Resilience
  - Emerging Trends in Terrorism and Counterterrorism

## In-Depth Look

The Program on Terrorism and Security Studies (PTSS) hosts approximately 85 professional participants from around the world. The curriculum incorporates both plenary and small group seminar dynamics and includes more than two dozen global CT experts as well as robust exercise play and case study analysis. The program focuses on mid-to-upper level government and private officials including: law enforcement, military, intelligence, interagency, academia, and security service practitioners working in counterterrorism and countering violent extremism. Participants immerse themselves in contemporary terror threat analysis while exploring and discussing comprehensive CT efforts, strategy development considerations and operational initiatives. Upon graduation, participants join the Marshall Center alumni network. For individuals or governmental organizations desiring tailored engagements, the program maintains a virtual curriculum capability as well as opportunities for in-person regional events where our team, in conjunction with the local U.S. and German embassies, works with local and regional CT professionals on specific topics of interest to that nation or region.

## Our Engagements



## What We Offer



### Program Objectives:

**Share perspectives** about transnational threats from terrorism and violent extremism, and discuss how adversarial states employ irregular means to accomplish national objectives.

**Describe and balance** tensions between operational effectiveness against transnational threats and protection of political and civil liberties including democratic governance, rule of law, and universal human rights.

**Build practitioner and network capacity** to mitigate terrorist, violent extremist, and irregular threats through whole of government and whole of society approaches.

**Increase intellectual interoperability** across borders and cultures and strengthen capacity and resilience in partner nations by expanding a global network of CT/CVEO experts and practitioners.

## Course Leadership



Program Director Maj. Robert Wallace has worked in the Program on Terrorism and Security Studies since 2020.

He conducted undergraduate studies in International Affairs and holds graduate degrees in Theology and International Relations. He has served as an Infantry Officer in the United States Marine Corps since 2008 and became an International Affairs Officer in 2020. As an Infantry Officer, Wallace spent a decade conducting counterterrorism and counterinsurgency operations in Afghanistan and Iraq where he commanded infantry platoons and companies in combat and has also served as a Foreign Security Force Advisor to the Afghan and Iraqi militaries during

his four deployments to the CENTCOM area of responsibility. Wallace has also conducted advanced staff work at the Regimental, Division, and Marine Forces component level where, during a staff tour, he served with Naval Engineers and helped write engineering and infantry doctrine for the Naval and Joint force. In addition to his work at the Marshall Center, Wallace teaches Expeditionary Warfare for the Marine Corps University and lectures on strategic vision and ethical leadership for non-profit organizations.



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