The two-week Seminar on Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction/Terrorism (SCWMD/T) provides national security professionals throughout the world a comprehensive look at the pillars of combating weapons of mass destruction and the challenges posed by chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear elements. Inherent in any successful strategy to combat WMD is a combination of nonproliferation, counter proliferation and consequence management planning and execution. Two additional aspects of Combating WMD will also be included in this seminar: prevention of terrorists from acquisition and use of WMD and tenets of UN Security Council Resolution 1540 on the prevention of the proliferation of WMD.

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The Seminar on Combating Weapons of Mass Destruction/Terrorism provides national security professionals a comprehensive look at the pillars of combating weapons of mass destruction and the challenges posed by chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear elements. The course is presented to both civilian and military personnel in mid- and upper level positions from all over the world.

The two-week seminar examines best practices for ensuring that participating nations have the fundamental knowledge to adhere to international agreements related to chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear materials; to prevent unsanctioned transfer of WMD materials; and to prepare for management of the consequences of a WMD event. Unsanctioned transfer of materials applies to both states and non-state actors and proliferation of CBRN – including precursors - to terrorist organizations.

SCWMD/T is planned to be offered bi-annually after completion of the pilot course in 2011. The course will be conducted in English only.

**THE FOCUS**

SCWMD/T provides a comprehensive professional development opportunity in one of the most challenging nexus areas of national security – combating weapons of mass destruction and terrorism. By better understanding the breadth of the challenges posed by these elements, the course seeks to improve the participant’s ability to address leaders at home and across the international community on the imperatives of regional, continental and global cooperation to prevent WMD proliferation and use.

**THE CURRICULUM**

The SCWMD/T curriculum, which consists of lectures, seminars, case studies and a field study, is organized into five broad areas:

- Challenges posed by weapons of mass destruction
- Nonproliferation
- Counter proliferation
- Consequence management
- Field study

Within this comprehensive framework, participants study a number of key topics:

- Chemical, biological and nuclear issues
- Interdiction and border security
- Treaties and agreements
- United Nations Security Council Resolutions
- Selected case studies

During the seminar, participants will discuss the broad definition of CBRNE, non-proliferation and counter-proliferation of those transnational threats. Participants will also look at the pillars of a comprehensive strategy of combating weapons of mass destruction. The goal of the seminar is to enhance the skill sets of national security professionals to be better prepared to focus on the prevention of WMD proliferation and use.

**HOW TO APPLY**

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