Founded in 1996, the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) is one of the leading academic institutes for counter-terrorism in the world, facilitating international cooperation in the global struggle against terrorism.

ICT is an independent think tank providing expertise in terrorism, counter-terrorism, homeland security, threat vulnerability and risk assessment, intelligence analysis and national security and defense policy. ICT also serves as a joint forum for international policymakers and scholars to share information and expertise through research papers, situation reports and academic publications for worldwide distribution.

ICT draws upon a comprehensive and international network of individuals and organizations with unique expertise on terrorism and counter-terrorism research, public policy analysis and education dispersed all over the world, including the United States, European Union and Israel, among others. An acclaimed management and research staff at ICT spearheads the Institute’s efforts to coordinate the struggle against global terrorism and leads a worldwide team of affiliates and academic partners working to encourage cooperation among experts and disseminate innovative ideas for policymakers in the fight against terrorism.

“"A world-class center for the study of Counter-Terrorism, ICT keeps scholars and operators up to speed with the latest trends in the field. Living on the fault lines of the problems posed by terrorism gives ICT’s work an immediacy and insight that is unparalleled"."

General (ret.) Montgomery Meigs
Former Commanding General of U.S. Army Europe
Within the constellation of topical research institutes worldwide, ICT stands out as a benchmark institute through its:

- Acclaimed faculty and management team
- Bridge between academia and practice
- Israeli experience and world knowledge
- Dedicated focus on counter-terrorism policy
- "Real world", pragmatic policy proposals and solutions
- Unique methodologies
- Interdisciplinary research
- Innovative policy solutions
- Original, “out-of-the-box" approach to policymaking through education
- Large public domain research database on the Internet
- The proactive solicitation of these ideas to international decision-makers and leaders

"The ICT provides one of the best academic settings in the world for the study of the dynamics of and defense against international terrorism.

Staffed by a broad range of experts that combine both practical and academic expertise in combating terrorism, study at the institute provides unique and useful insight into one of the 21st century’s most difficult challenges."

General (ret.) John Abizaid
Former Commander of US Central Command (CENTCOM)
The Professional Advisory Board acts as a reference point for emerging directions by identifying research opportunities for ICT and initiating cooperation towards future research in combating the phenomenon of terrorism.
Research Fellows & Associates

The ICT created, as part of its team, a multidisciplinary network of more than 100 experts. ICT’s Research Fellows come from diverse academic disciplines and ICT’s Associates include senior directors in various security and intelligence agencies.

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Advising Decision-Makers

Good security depends on good intelligence and good understanding of the opponent’s rationale, methods of operation and capabilities.

ICT’s researchers and associates provide wide-ranging security assessments and advise decision-makers from around the world—political leaders, government ministers, members of parliament, heads of security and law enforcement systems, community leaders and opinion makers—with the aim to help in the formation of more effective policy and strategic practices on local, regional and international levels, while striving to maintain the delicate balance between effective counter-terrorism tactics and the preservation of liberal-democratic principles.
Applied Research & Publication

Position Papers:

Through its contacts across the sectors – academic, government and private – ICT researchers and fellows comb through all relevant resources and produce position papers that represent a consolidated picture of pressing factors. ICT aims to foster a multilateral consensus from which to set CT policy at the highest levels. These position papers are presented to governments, parliamentarians, standing government committees, law enforcement, security and intelligence communities.

Working Groups:

The ICT assembles the most experienced and relevant experts to teams that are assigned on an ad hoc basis to provide practical solutions to security and terrorism problems in Israel and in the world.

Selected Publications:

ICT Experts have published multiple books and monographs on topics related to Terrorism, Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security. Many of these books have been selected in the “Terrorism Bookshelf: 150 Books on Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism” published by Perspectives on Terrorism, one of the leading journals in the field.
MA in Government with Specialization in Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security

The specialization in Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security is a cutting edge graduate program in English, which combines academic study, simulations and workshops to offer special tools for critical thinking in this field. The courses provide, in an international environment, concentrated, in-depth exposure to the phenomenon of modern terrorism and its characteristics, modus operandi, scope and dissemination throughout the world. Students will obtain an understanding of the many challenges this phenomenon presents to decision-makers, security establishments, first responders, legal systems and the business sectors, based on the experience Israel has accumulated in the field.

Selected Courses include: Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism • Radical Islamic Ideologies • Dilemmas in Counter-Terrorism Decision-Making • Post-Modern Terrorism: CBRN • Terrorism Fundraising • Democracy, Failed States & International Terrorism • Formal & Informal Terrorist Actors

Internships and Exchange Programs Include: The International Institute for Counter-Terrorism, The National Security Council, the Counter-Terrorism Bureau, the Israeli Knesset.

For any questions and to apply: ris.master@idc.ac.il

I have had the opportunity to teach a course in the MA program, and I was pleased to see the International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT) successfully bridge the gap between the theoretical study of counter-terrorism and practical application of counter-terrorism policies. As such, ICT is standing as a leader in the academic field of counter-terrorism studies.

Brian M. Jenkins - Senior Adviser to the President, RAND Corporation
BA in Government  Cluster in Counter-Terrorism & Homeland Security

The scope of terrorist attacks launched post-September 11, the growing use of unconventional weapons, and the spread of a radical-Islamic network of terrorism have transformed the once localized threat of terrorism into an international problem.

By intentionally targeting civilians while exploiting the freedom embedded in liberal-democratic values, terrorism presents a difficult and complicated challenge to decision makers and counter-terrorism experts.

The Terrorism and Homeland Security Track introduces students to the challenges and dilemmas in countering terrorism.

Studies in this track cover, among others, the Israeli experience in countering terrorism; the nexus between failed states, terrorism and political development; the internationalization of modern terrorism and groups like al Qaeda and Hezbollah; the History of Modern Terrorism; and Law and Terrorism.

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“There is no better place to educate future leaders in the international struggle against terrorism than the ICT. The depth and breadth of its academic programs, and its ability to draw in first-rate scholars from around the world, and its partnering with other centers in pursuit of understanding this phenomenon, marks ICT as head and shoulders above other institutions of its type.

Lt. Gen. Keith Dayton - Director, George C. Marshall Center

In cooperation with the Lauder School of Government, Diplomacy & Strategy at IDC Herzliya
EXECUTIVE PROGRAM in Counter-Terrorism

The Counter-Terrorism Executive Studies Program, led by Prof. Boaz Ganor, combines academic study, simulation models, workshops, and onsite briefings. The courses provide concentrated, in-depth exposure to the phenomenon of modern terrorism and its characteristics, modus operandi, scope and dissemination throughout the world. In addition, participants will obtain an understanding of the challenge this phenomenon presents to decision-makers, security establishments, first responders and the business sectors, based on the experience Israel has accumulated in the field.

Program Structure: The Counter-Terrorism Executive Studies Program is taught in English over a three-week period during the Summer. It includes 6 graduate level courses delivered by top experts from Israel and abroad who are among ICT’s senior researchers and associates. Each course consists of 20 academic hours taught over a concentrated period of one week.

Online Course on Terrorism and Counter-Terrorism represents the newest of ICT’s pioneering educational breakthroughs, designed especially for international scholars and experts.

- Be part of a prestigious virtual community of CT experts from the comfort of your home
- Follow cutting edge analyses from Israeli security and intelligence professionals
- Learn to write policy papers
- State of the art e-learning technology combining lectures and video clips
- Learn as part of an interactive community or at your own pace
- Non-credit audit option available

“The International Institute for Counter-Terrorism (ICT)’s program, with intensive instruction from a series of expert practitioner-teachers has become the benchmark, if not established the gold standard, against which other such non-degree training programs in the broader security field are measured”.

Prof. Bruce Hoffman - Director of the Center for Peace and Security Studies and of the Security Studies Program at Georgetown University

For any questions and to apply: online@ict.org.il
ICT’s Internship Program

ICT’s Internship program, one of the leading programs in the field, offers year round internships for top undergraduate, graduate, and post-graduate students. Interns are provided with the opportunity to contribute to the Institute’s daily research activities and events, while under the supervision of a senior ICT researcher or staff member. Interns will also have the opportunity to attend seminars and lectures led by prominent academics, practitioners and decision-makers.

Past ICT interns graduated from top universities such as Harvard, Stanford, Princeton, Columbia, NYU, Tufts, UC Berkeley, UCLA, Georgetown, Syracuse, Science Po, La Sorbonne, Kings College London, etc.

What projects are available for ICT Interns?

Past ICT Interns have worked on the following projects:

- World Summit on Counter-Terrorism
- Jihadi Websites Monitoring Group
- ISIS, al Qaeda and Global Jihad
- ICT Terrorist Incidents & Profiles Database
- ICT Cyber Desk Review
- The Islamist Radicalization Index
- De-radicalization Processes
- Jihadi Arenas & Terrorist Networks
- Terrorist Rationality & Decision-Making
- Articles on current events related to terrorism and CT

For any questions and to apply: internship@ict.org.il
Consulting Services  Providing Intelligence & Security Solutions for today’s world

Counter-Terrorism Solutions Ltd. (CTS) is the consulting & training arm of the International Institute for Counter Terrorism (ICT), a world class think tank, is composed of the most senior veterans of the Israeli intelligence and security establishments and provides:

♦ Up to date intelligence-based Threat Assessments and Risk Analyses for government, public and private sectors.

♦ Unique monitoring capabilities of Global Jihad internet activities.

♦ Red-Teaming terrorist operational simulations.

♦ Unique database of terrorist activities worldwide.

♦ Orientation courses in the business and public sectors, customized training for law enforcement agencies and homeland security authorities.

Sound intelligence is the key to effective security planning. CTS is the key to sound intelligence.

♦ Unparalleled inside knowledge of terrorist organizations and their methods
♦ Years of experience in training and consulting
♦ Innovative and proven risk assessment methodology
♦ Multi-lingual capabilities with special emphasis on Arabic
♦ Red Team and Simulations
♦ OSINT monitoring and analysis
♦ Internet Jihadi activities monitoring and analysis
Open Source Intelligence

Primary among the ICT arsenal of tools are:

- The OSINT System entails access to ICT’s Incidents and Activists Database, one of the most all-encompassing non-governmental resources on terrorist incidents in the world. All material is interlinked and cross-referenced in order to provide an interactive system for retrieving data in an intuitive manner.

- The JWMG is composed of researchers fluent in Arabic and monitors websites that support and serve the Global Jihad organizations. The unique characteristic of JWMG publications is the team’s integration of diverse materials from a wide variety of sources. JWMG connects each source to larger trends, providing a complete understanding of events on a glocal scale.

The ICT provides periodical & situational reports based on the needs and interests of its clients as well as in-depth studies on selected topics.

Threat Assessment & Risk Analysis

CTS provides the blueprint for clients’ security planning and package, alerting them to threats and potential hazards of their specific situation, and illuminating a solid base upon which to build a tailor-made tactical security operation. CTS’s Threat Assessment service provides an overview of international terrorist trends and how they are poised to affect Western governments and organizations. The Risk Analysis depicts specific threat scenarios and their ramifications as they apply to a wide range of industries, organizations, locations, venues and events as well as provides an informed plan of action.

Counter-Terrorism Legal Support

The courtroom has become an active front in the war against terrorism. In response to this phenomenon, we have developed a service indispensable to those bringing court cases against financial institutions and others that have supported terrorist activity. This includes individuals seeking damages and the law firms that represent them as well as governmental agencies, law enforcement agencies, and justice departments.
Red Teaming

Red Team methodology is a multi-stage process placing the client in a spectator position and shifting his sights onto the adversary. It provides the client with a unique vantage point “behind enemy lines”, enabling him to monitor the inner workings of a Jihadi terrorist organization preparing an attack on his assets.

The information, independently collected from a variety of open sources and in the field, is then utilized by the Red Team for considering several attack modes out of which one is finally transformed into an operational plan. Target selection, intelligence evaluation and planning stages are transparent to the client who can closely observe and monitor them in order to obtain an intimate insight as to how a given terrorist organization functions in terms of its fundamental mindset, ideological and operational considerations, decision-making process and the final formulation of a Modus Operandi.

These services have already been successfully provided to a number of international intelligence and security agencies.

Courses & Training

ICT experts deliver CT workshops and seminars for professionals and law-enforcement agencies that provide comprehensive theoretical and practical analysis of the subject.

With a curriculum that is modular in nature, workshops and seminars can be customized to suit specific operational or organizational needs.
International Cooperation

Having witnessed the horrors of terrorism around our planet along with the magnitude of the danger posed to the free world by post-modern terrorism, ICT spurred the creation of a networked community of academic experts and researchers in fields related to counter terrorism. In 2003, the International Counter-Terrorism Academic Community (ICTAC) was created. An academic community whose purpose is to lead the way in guiding politicians and decision makers, ICTAC’s activities are primarily academic in nature.

For more information and inquiries for personal and institutional collaboration: ictac@ict.org.il

The ICT and the United States Department of Defense pursue a Strategic Cooperation Agreement that brings every year a high-ranking officer to the ICT as a US Army War College Fellow.

The U.S. Army Counter-Terrorism Fellow will engage in research activities that will serve the mutual interests of the United States Army and the ICT.

The ICT believes that “It takes a network to beat a network”. We therefore signed Strategic Cooperation Agreements with some of the leading universities and institutes in the world. These partnerships calls for the exchange of students and faculty, joint-applied research, think tanks formed on special projects, briefings, etc. ICT has signed partnerships with, among others, the following institutes:

- The International Centre for Political Violence and Terrorism Research, Singapore
- The International Centre for the Study of Radicalisation and Terrorism, UK
- DHS Center for Risk & Economic Analysis of Terrorism Events (CREATE), USA
- The Institute for National Security and Counterterrorism, USA
- The Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs, USA
- Military Centre for Strategic Studies (CeMiSS), Italian MoD
- City of Los Angeles, USA
- Institute for National Security Study, Korea
- Universidad Rey Juan Carlos University, Spain
- The Rey Juan Carlos University, Spain

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World Summit on Counter-Terrorism

The International Institute for Counter Terrorism’s (ICT) annual international conference is the largest and one of the most influential events in the field of counter-terrorism today. The conference is a vital opportunity for high-profile experts from a diverse background of disciplines to establish professional relationships and serves as a platform for the formation of international cooperation. Over 1,000 top decision-makers, defense, intelligence and police officials, prominent academic scholars and security industry leaders from over 60 countries take part in the World Summit on Counter-Terrorism.

As a conference participant, you will have the unique opportunity to:

♦ **MEET** key decision-makers in the fields of Counter-Terrorism and Homeland Security
♦ **INTERACT** with government, defense and police officials, who deal with terrorism on a daily basis
♦ **LEARN** about cutting-edge research, new operational practices and technological innovations from leading international experts
♦ **NETWORK** with entrepreneurs and significantly broaden your customer base in the global security and Counter-Terrorism industry
♦ **PARTICIPATE** in discussions and professional workshops on the most advanced and pertinent topics in modern Counter-Terrorism
♦ **WIDEN & DIVERSIFY** your global network of professional relationships in the field of Counter-Terrorism

For more information: [www.ict.org.il/conference](http://www.ict.org.il/conference)
The ICT’s International Humanitarian Law Desk seeks to understand and research the application of the laws of war to the fight against terror by:

- Bringing the ICT’s knowledge to the broader legal community
- Enhancing awareness and understanding of humanitarian law among counter-terrorism experts

The goal of the Chemical, Biological, Radiological & Nuclear Desk (CBRN) is to:

- Engage in research in the field of chemical, biological, radiological & nuclear terrorism in all its aspects (strategic, operative & technological)
- Continuously monitor the data concerning events and developments in the field of CBRN terrorism
- Help in the education and training on this subject at IDC and elsewhere

The Governance and Political Violence Desk is a leading source of interdisciplinary academic and policy research, teaching, and outreach on the relationship between questions of governance and political violence. The Desk advances the ICT’s overall vision through three main streams:

- Original research, publications, conferences and workshops
- Offering specialized BA and MA level lecture courses and research seminars
- Advising to decision-makers and engaging in outreach activities to policy-making communities in Israel, Asia, Europe, and North America
Terrorism and Religion in Comparative Perspective Desk
Led by Dr. Jonathan Fine

The objective of the Terrorism and Religion in Comparative Perspective Desk is to help us better understand the role religion plays today within violent groups from all religions, with emphasis on, among other things, the impact of religious text interpretation on policy making process on three levels: ideology, strategy, and tactics, while highlighting the similarities and differences between various religions and groups.

Terrorism Prosecution Desk
Led by Col. (Res.) Jonathan Fighel

The courtroom has become an active front in the war against terrorism. In response to this phenomenon, ICT has developed a service indispensable to those bringing court cases against financial institutions and others that have supported terrorist activity. This includes:

- Individuals seeking damages and the law firms representing them
- Governmental agencies, law enforcement agencies, and justice departments

Right-Wing Extremism and Hate-Crime Desk
Led by Dr. Sivan Hirsch-Hoefler

The Right-Wing Extremism and Hate-Crime Desk is designed to inform the public policy debate on hate-crimes in Israel by examining the phenomenon from a conceptual and empirical perspective. Specifically, the goal of the desk is to:

- Explore the political and academic debates over the meaning of hate-crimes
- Provide an overview of the different types of criminal acts that fall into this category
- Assess the conditions under which hate crimes pose threats to Israeli society
- Analyze the effects of traumatic events and/or conflicts on Israeli public support for political extremism and violence
Cyberspace has become an important battlefield, and an integral part of current and future conflicts. The Cyber-Terrorism Desk:

- Issues a periodic review that addresses two main subjects: cyber-terrorism and cyber-crime.
- Offers, as part of its MA in Government with Specialization in Counter-Terrorism, a Cluster in Cyber Terrorism.
- Cooperates with Cyber-Gym to offer courses to executives & practitioners.

The Jihadi Websites Monitoring Group (JWMG) is a specialized research and analysis team composed of researchers fluent in Arabic. The JWMG monitors websites that support and serve the Global Jihad organizations. The unique characteristic of JWMG publications is the team’s integration of diverse materials from a wide variety of Arabic sources. JWMG connects each source to larger trends, providing a complete understanding of events on both a local and a global scale. Recently, the JWMG started to record and analyze Fatwas by radical Islamic clerics and relevant news items from Arabic media.

The Incidents and Activists Database is a comprehensive survey of OSINT. It is one of the most all-encompassing non-governmental resources on terrorist incidents in the world. Based on comprehensive and integrated information compiled since 1975, the database records incidents, including successful terror attacks, foiled attacks, and counter-terrorism operations, along with background and follow-up information. All material is interlinked and cross-referenced in order to provide the user with an interactive system.
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