



Factsheet

Building Capacities for Sustainable Peace

Our Strategic Objectives

- Working on the peace continuum
- Working together
- Working inclusively



Thematic Areas

- Peacekeeping.
- Peacemaking and conflict prevention.
- Counter-terrorism and preventing/countering violent extremism.
- Disarmament, Demobilization and Reintegration - Weapons and Ammunition management.
- Youth, Peace and Security.
- Women, Peace and Security.
- Energy for Peace.
- Rule of Law.
- Mental Health and Psycho Social Support.
- Maritime Governance.



Our services

- Learning solutions.
- Training and capacity building.
- Training of Trainers.
- eLearning.
- Masters degrees and postgraduates.
- Quality assurance.
- Innovation for learning.
- Coaching, mentoring and advisory.



Our vision

A world of peaceful, just, and inclusive societies.



Our mission

Enable individuals, institutions, and organizations to contribute meaningfully to sustainable peace.

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) – a specialized training agency of the United Nations – supports the (re-)establishment of peaceful, just and inclusive societies (SDG 16) by enabling individuals and organizations to contribute meaningfully to sustainable peace.

With over 60 years of experience in capacity building, we provide customised, creative and results-based learning solutions, carefully crafted for countries and communities emerging from conflict and facing specific development needs. At the core of our success is our specific methodology that allows for the creation of powerful and inspiring spaces, products and services (online and face-to-face) for high-quality learning and collaboration.

Our training programmes promote participation, dialogue, local ownership and multiplication of knowledge for sustainable impact and behavioural change.



All of the UNITAR programming is designed and carried out with sustainable development in mind. UNITAR's work in peace is centred around the Goal 16 of Peace, Justice and Strong Institutions, while cross-cuttingly supporting Quality Education, Gender Equality, and Partnerships for Development.



In 2023:

18.985

Beneficiaries

351

Training Events

212

137

Face-To-Face Online

2

Blended

Beneficiaries in

173

countries

across

6

continents



Our Thematic Areas in Detail

Peacekeeping

We specialize in preparing uniformed personnel for UN peace operations, emphasizing the significance of training to enhance performance and ensure successful mission implementation. Our capacity building approaches aim to instigate sustainable behavior change, optimise performance, and actively contribute to the priorities of the Action4Peacekeeping+ Initiative.

Peacemaking and conflict prevention

Our commitment to peacemaking and conflict prevention is driven by distinguished flagship initiatives like the Fellowship Programme in Peacemaking and Preventive Diplomacy. This program has successfully imparted knowledge and skills in conflict analysis, negotiation, mediation, and reconciliation for three decades.

Counter-terrorism and preventing/countering violent extremism

Dedicated to supporting governments in establishing self-sufficient institutions for counter-terrorism efforts, we provide training and capacity building solutions. These efforts are geared towards strengthening the operational and strategic capabilities of key entities.

Youth and Women's Empowerment

Recognising the unique contributions of young people and women to sustaining peace, we lead training efforts to bridge capacity gaps hindering the realisation of the Youth, Peace and Security (YPS) and the Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agendas at all levels.

Recovery and Resilience

We actively assist governments, civil society organizations, communities, and international practitioners in addressing the root causes of conflicts. Engaging in a spectrum of activities, we support integrated Disarmament, Demobilization, and Reintegration (DDR) alongside community-led reconciliation, conflict prevention, and resolution. With that, we commit to strengthening peacebuilding through human-centered processes.

Energy for Peace

As a collaborative initiative, the Global Platform for Action on Sustainable Energy in Displacement Settings (GPA) strives to promote actions facilitating sustainable energy access in displacement settings, aligning with the Global Plan of Action Framework. Our vision is to ensure that, by 2030, displaced persons, host communities, and associated humanitarian response mechanisms have access to affordable, reliable, sustainable, and modern energy services.

Rule of Law

We develop and implement capacity building initiatives for the benefit of Member States, institutions and key actors at all levels with the aim of enhancing a worldwide compliance to international principles, norms and standards while advancing a culture of peace, democracy, justice and respect of human rights.

Maritime Governance

Recognising the indispensable role of the maritime sector in the global supply chain, our collective effort emphasises the need for efficient governance in ports and on ships to uphold uninterrupted trade. The potential impact of transnational safety and security threats on operations can result in prolonged disruptions to commercial trade, posing challenges for stakeholders and customers worldwide. In response, we offer collaborative and innovative solutions which include safety and security training, equipment delivery, capacity building, and knowledge sharing.