

Homeland Security and Counter-Terrorism Services

Homeland Security and Counter-Terrorism Challenges Today

Innovative Analytics & Training (IAT) provides analytic and operational support to government agencies, law enforcement, and critical infrastructure owner-operators involved in counter-terrorism and homeland security activities. Utilizing decades of government, military, intelligence, law enforcement and private sector security experience, IAT's experts provide tailored advice and support to strategic planning and prioritization, analytic research methodologies, and training for key personnel and leaders.

Terrorist planning for attacks has become increasingly sophisticated. Months, or even years, can be spent conducting physical and cyber surveillance and attempting to gain access to a target. Because of this, countering terrorist plots and cells must begin at a far earlier stage, including during the radicalization and recruitment of new terrorists. Further, the rise of "homegrown terrorism" in the U.S. and other Western countries has contributed to the continuing focus on homeland security.

Intelligence, counter-terrorism, and law enforcement agencies at all levels of government have become intricately involved in all aspects of counter-terrorism and homeland security. This comes at a time when most threats are transnational and increasingly require government agencies to work across borders in order to chase plots and cells that are of multi-national composition. This presents challenges with regards to information-sharing and working with traditional allies. Further, the United States is increasingly improving information-sharing across the government; enhancing their abilities of frontline homeland security agencies; and developing better outreach relationships among government, law enforcement, and the critical infrastructure sectors.

To work within this complex environment, stakeholders must understand the roles and responsibilities of different agencies, at different levels of government, as well as the relationships between each. They must understand the transnational nature of terrorist threats today – and how these relate to other homeland security challenges (such as borders and immigration, cyber-security, protective and preventive security, and domestic intelligence and information-sharing). They must understand the impact that community tensions and relationships – both within and between different ethnic and religious communities domestically – has on the ability to counter not only terrorism but also radicalization and recruitment into extremist violence. They must understand how the ownership of homeland security information and domestic intelligence has passed significantly into the hands of the private sector (such as the critical infrastructure owner-operators) and civil society (such as those supporting education, welfare, housing and related social programs).

IAT's Capabilities in Homeland Security and Counter-Terrorism

Among other areas, IAT's experts provide support in:

- Developing counter-terrorism and homeland security strategies: conducting analysis, academic outreach, and special expert research concerning countering radicalization and violent extremism
- Contributing to studies and assessments of contemporary terrorist cell structures and coalescence, intelligence missions and attack-planning tactics, techniques, and procedures, trends and patterns domestically and globally, and relationships between domestic terrorism and global foreign fighters networks
- Developing improved suspicious activities reporting (SAR) capabilities for government, law enforcement, and critical infrastructure owner-operators – at all levels of government and across the private sector
- Enhancing existing intelligence-led approaches to protective and preventive security through improvements in human factors integration with other security measures and counter-measures
- Developing advanced approaches to preventive security through environment-specific counter-measures predicated on counterintelligence, deception and denial, counter-deception, and other shaping activities aimed at defeating the terrorist's intelligence, surveillance and reconnaissance (ISR) mission

IAT's experts have significant classroom and field-training experience and can also provide professional training and development services in all contemporary homeland security, counter-terrorism, intelligence, and law enforcement areas.

Among others, IAT's experts have worked most recently with the Department of Homeland Security's Office Intelligence and Analysis, and Science and Technology Office; the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and the agencies of the US Intelligence Community; the Federal Bureau of Investigations; and the intelligence and security agencies of the United Kingdom, Canada and Australia.

About Innovative Analytics and Training

Innovative Analytics & Training LLC (IAT), a privately-held company in Washington, D.C., focuses on improving analysis and decision-making for government and commercial clients. IAT is "the sources and methods company," and draws upon analytic methods and techniques that range from critical thinking to rapid global expert network development and advanced analytic applications. We help organizations understand the complexity and data dependencies of their decisions by offering new approaches in how existing information is used and how to gather new information that will narrow the uncertainty within any given decision space. For more information on Innovative Analytics & Training, visit www.innovative-analytics.com.

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