

Strengthening the Capacity of Justice and Corrections Officers in United Nations Peace Operations

Brief description of the project

- Objective of the project

Building on the 2019 e-training developed by JCS, this updated and enhanced e-learning course will strengthen the capacities of justice and corrections officers including Government Provided Personnel (GPP) and other relevant non-UN actors in peacekeeping, special political missions, or other field settings. The project also aims to strengthen coordination and promote effective partnerships through encouraging greater uniformity in approaches to advance the mandated objectives of missions. It will increase understanding on the various roles and functions of justice and corrections components.

- Why is the project required?

Since the launch of the e-learning course on the Justice and Corrections in Peace Operations in 2019, it has provided a comprehensive overview of the organization's approach to rule of law support to not only justice and corrections personnel, but also anyone working on rule of law issues with field missions. Building on the previous materials, the new e-learning course will cover emerging thematic issues including disinformation/misinformation, crimes against peacekeepers and criminal accountability, have posed serious threat to effective implementation of the Missions and must be addressed as mandated by the Security Council resolutions. Having an in-depth understanding of different components of peacekeeping will not only contribute to strengthening coordination and promoting effective partnership, but also reducing competition and redundancy.

- What is the expected impact of the project?

This project will strengthen the capacity of justice and corrections officers, rule of law practitioners and GPPs deployed to post-conflict environments and relevant UN partners through 1) gaining insight and a better understanding of the UN DPO justice and corrections approach, 2) exploring the contribution and role of justice and corrections in broader peacekeeping, security, stability and peace efforts, and 3) attaining information on the Justice and Corrections Service's emerging best practice and lessons identified from the field including thematic topics such as Women, Peace and Security (WPS), misinformation/disinformation, criminal accountability, accountability for crimes against peacekeepers and anti-corruption. The training will pave the foundation for longer-term justice institution building in alignment with the A4P+ priorities.

- **Expected outcomes, outputs and proposed activities**

Outcomes	Outputs	Proposed Activities
Strengthen the capacity of justice and corrections officers, rule of law practitioners and GPPs deployed to post-conflict environments and relevant UN partners through e-training module.	E-training module developed and launched	Develop e-training module in both English and French languages Launch in an adequate platform Monitor the effective use of the training

- **Implementation timeline**

An initial period of 12 months (Jan-Dec 2024).

- **Explain how the project will further the implementation of the A4P+ priorities.**

The training program aims to strengthen coordination and promote effective partnership through encouraging greater uniformity in approaches to advance the mandated objectives of missions and increased coherent understanding on the various roles and functions of justice and corrections components, thereby contributing to the A4P+ priorities: 1) enhancing strategic and operational integration in peacekeeping missions, 2) building collective coherence behind a political strategy, and 3) strengthening capabilities and mindsets. The thematic topics also include accountability to peacekeepers and Women, Peace and Security (WPS) agenda (cross-cutting theme of A4P+).

- **How have gender aspects been included in the design and implementation of the project? How does it help the Department to implement their women, peace and security and gender parity commitments?**

As the training provides a comprehensive overview of the approach to rule of law support taken by the Department of Peace Operation, it will contribute to strengthening outreach efforts to ensure more women GPPs and achieving the Secretary-General's system-wide Gender Parity Strategy. Recognizing gender inequality in the field of justice and corrections, this project seeks to design the training that is gender-responsive and highlights the roles and achievements of women in uniform. Through targeted outreach and communications, the project will ensure the active participation of women in the training and knowledge sharing activities.

- **Brief explanation of any risks that the implementation of the project may face and how to mitigate.**

There lacks a coherent approach and understanding by justice and corrections components across the Missions. There were several issues from the previous e-learning module including user accessibility and updating materials due to the limited feature of the platform. A platform for the training will be selected after thorough analysis of its features and compatibilities.

- **Proposed budget**

Item	Brief Description	Total Amount
Personnel Costs	<i>The training material will be provided through in-house capacity</i>	\$0.00
Contractual Services	Online platform, graphic design, and other IT services	\$45,000.00
	E-training module (French version): translation, platform cost	\$35,000.00
Programme Support Costs (13%)		\$10,400.00
	Total:	\$90,400.00