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- **International cooperation in criminal matters and technical assistance**

- ✓ Linkage with the SDGs



- ✓ Modalities (eg. extradition, mutual legal assistance, transfer of sentenced persons, cooperation for purposes of confiscation, international law enforcement cooperation)

- ✓ Bilateral, regional and multilateral treaties as a basis (eg. UNTOC, UNCAC)

- ✓ The Doha Declaration

- ✓ GA resolution 69/193

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- **Terrorism in all its forms and manifestations**
  - ✓ Globalization, advancement of technologies, vulnerabilities
  - ✓ Constant evolvement of financial sources, methods of recruitment and training
  - ✓ Linkage between terrorist and criminal groups
  - ✓ Foreign terrorist fighters and growing involvement of women and children
  - ✓ The use of internet and social media
  - ✓ Computer-based investigations

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- Assistance for Member States in establishing and effective functioning of national counter-terrorism coordination committees
- Capacity-building to improve legal, regulatory and institutional frameworks relating to terrorism-related crimes
- Cross-regional technical assistance programmes to better respond to traditional and emerging terrorism threats, as well as the nexus between TOC and terrorism
- Public-private partnerships, including for countering terrorist ideology and propaganda, suppressing terrorist abuse of the internet and social media

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- The risks of terrorist financing within national economies
- The risks of use of non-profit organizations and charitable funds for terrorist financing
- Partnerships between FIUs, law enforcement, investigation services and the private sector to counter terrorism financing, especially online collection of funds
- Strategies for reducing risks to critical infrastructure from terrorist attacks, including terrorist cyber-attacks, at the national, regional and international levels

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- **New and emerging forms of crime**
  - ✓ Cybercrime, wildlife crime, trafficking in cultural property, trafficking in persons
  - ✓ Target 16.4 of 2030 Agenda
  - ✓ Organized Crime Convention
  - ✓ Illicit markets
  - ✓ Illicit financial flows

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- Harmonization of legal frameworks at regional or other levels, to facilitate judicial and law enforcement cooperation, in relation to terrorist offences, as well as the most serious forms of transnational crime
- Comprehensive crime prevention and criminal justice responses, capacities of judiciary and law enforcement institutions, and legislative and administrative measures to effectively prevent and counter new, emerging and evolving forms of crime

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- Implementation or ratification of Drug Conventions, UNTOC, UNCAC and the international conventions and protocols against terrorism
- Enhancement of national confiscation regimes and international cooperation, including in asset recovery
- Preventive measures in addressing new and emerging forms of crime (awareness-raising, multi-stakeholder approach)
- Effectiveness of central authorities dealing with international cooperation requests

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- Review and update of domestic legislation and/or procedures to define clear requirements for employing special investigative techniques and gathering electronic evidence for crimes involving the use of technology
- Law enforcement and criminal justice authorities being adequately equipped and having the expertise and technical capacities to effectively address crime-related challenges
- Public-private partnerships with a view to enhancing the role of technology prevent and/or address crimes effectively



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- Legal measures to prevent the use of cryptocurrencies for money-laundering purposes, including where cryptocurrencies are not banned
- International cooperation and cooperation with Communications Service Providers (CSPs) for the purpose of gathering electronic evidence
- Research on emerging trends and future directions in the use of technology against crime, methodologies used in and patterns of the commission of crimes involving the use of technology

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#### Questions for discussion (if needed)

(a) How could existing treaties, such as UNTOC and international counter-terrorism legal instruments, become more broadly utilized for international cooperation?

(b) How can regional or subregional networks of competent national authorities further facilitate cooperation in criminal matters in ongoing cases and the delivery of related assistance?

(c) What are the technical assistance needs and priorities of criminal justice authorities in order to strengthen the efficiency of their international cooperation in criminal matters, including to prevent and counter terrorism and new and emerging forms of crime? How can sustainability and impact measurement of such technical assistance be ensured?

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(d) What should be the role of the criminal justice system in preventing violent extremism conducive to terrorism?

(e) What is the accumulated experience in relation to the effectiveness of criminal justice responses to threats posed by the use of the Internet by terrorists?

(f) How can legal and criminal justice responses to terrorism interact with the response of Member States and the United Nations with respect to post-conflict transition?

(g) How best to utilize or streamline existing provisions of domestic laws and international instruments on the prevention of, and the fight against, money-laundering to achieve a better “success rate” of identifying and combating illicit financial flows?

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(h) Is there a need for adopting/amending regulatory standards relating to cryptocurrencies to further promote crime prevention and investigation, and, if so, what are the main considerations and best practices to be taken into account?

(i) To what extent can the definitions in the UNTOC of “organized criminal group” and “structured group” be applied in the virtual environment, where anonymous vendors and buyers can transact without knowing each other?

(j) Are there cooperative mechanisms and channels of collaboration between competent authorities and technology industries to keep up with future developments in the rapidly changing field of using technology against crime?

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