

## Universalization and effective implementation of CBRN instruments



### UNODC activities:

**Country visits:** UNODC promoted adherence to ICSANT through country visits to [Nepal](#) and [Sao Tome and Principe](#).

**UNODC Virtual Speaker Series:** UNODC conducted two virtual speakers series on ICSANT, one on [border management](#) and another on [nuclear forensics](#).

**ICSANT:** UNODC facilitates [Palau](#)'s adherence as the latest State party.



### Substantive contribution to partners' activities:

- Parliamentarians for Global Action (PGA) events for parliamentarians of [Nepal](#) and [Zimbabwe](#) which focused on enhancing nuclear security, including through adhering to and implementing relevant international legal instruments.
- UNODA [awareness-raising workshop](#) on the Biological Weapons Convention and UN Security Council resolution 1540 (2004) (UNSCR 1540) for Sao Tome and Principe.
- African Center for Science and International Security (AFRISIS) [Africa regional webinar](#) on strengthening global nuclear security: promoting universalization of the Convention on the Physical Protection of Nuclear Material (CPPNM) and its Amendment (A/CPPNM).
- World Institute for Nuclear Security (WINS) online workshop on the central role of nuclear operators in implementing the CPPNM and A/CPPNM.
- Organization of American States (OAS) Inter-American Committee against Terrorism (CICTE) third cooperation meeting for implementers of UNSCR 1540 in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons (OPCW) [training workshop](#) on preventing illicit transfers of chemicals.
- Nuclear Threat Initiative (NTI) Global Dialogue on Nuclear Security Priorities.
- Global Partnership Against the Spread of Weapons and Materials of Mass Destruction plenary and working groups.

## Meet the new Chief of TPB



Mr. Roberto Arbitrio  
Chief  
Terrorism Prevention Branch (TPB)  
UNODC

*I will strive to continue TPB's successful track record in promoting adherence to and effective implementation of the seven international legal instruments against CBRN terrorism.*

## Member State highlight: Albania

*Further to Albania's recent ratification of ICSANT, and as part of our unwavering commitment to its effective implementation, we will soon host in Tirana, jointly with UNODC, a regional mock trial on the Convention.*



H.E. Ms. Eglantina Gjermeni  
Ambassador and  
Permanent Representative of  
Albania to the United Nations (Vienna)

## Resources in focus



UNODC website on ICSANT: [www.unodc.org/icsant](http://www.unodc.org/icsant). The leading, comprehensive resource for information, tools and updates on ICSANT – a key international legal instrument against nuclear terrorism.

Available in all six UN official languages:  
[Arabic](#), [Chinese](#), [English](#), [French](#), [Russian](#) and [Spanish](#).



The UNODC [manual](#) of fictional cases related to offences under ICSANT focuses on article 2 of the Convention, which sets forth the criminalization requirements that need to be transposed by States parties in their national legislation.

Available in all six UN official languages and Portuguese.

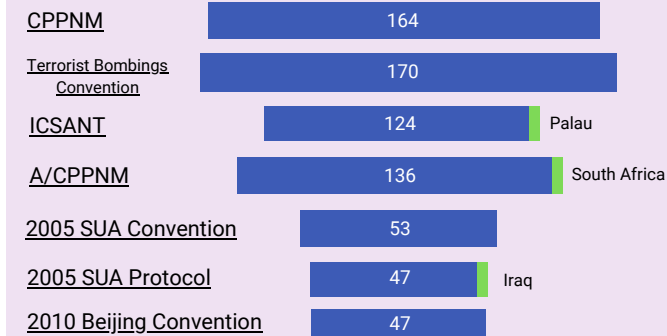


The UNODC [eLearning module](#) on ICSANT, a self-paced tool, examines its key provisions and promotes awareness of the need to adhere to it and to incorporate its requirements into national legislation. Upon successful completion, participants receive a personalized certificate.

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## Status of adherence as of 31 March 2024

Indicates new parties since last newsletter



## Upcoming virtual events:

- Webinar: A Prosecutorial Perspective on ICSANT: **12 April from 14:00 to 15:00 CEST**
- Webinar: Extradition and Mutual Legal Assistance in the Context of ICSANT: **7 June from 14:00 to 15:00 CEST**

Previous newsletters: [www.unodc.org/icsant](http://www.unodc.org/icsant)