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## Security Risks of Refugees & Displaced Persons

(MASL # In-Residence P173019; Regional P279013; MET P319066 – E-IMET Certified)

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This 2-week, multilateral, in resident workshop examines the role of host nation governments—and specifically their armed forces—in responding to crises from refugees and internally displaced persons. The program can be tailored and delivered in the United States, regionally, or as a bilateral workshop.

With well over 10 million refugees and 27 million internally displaced persons (IDPs), forced migration from insecurity or disaster has become a regular occurrence. Refugees and internally displaced persons create serious security challenges for host countries and their security sectors. The response to a refugee crisis must be an immediate and concerted effort by the international community and the countries hosting the populations. However, host countries are regularly faced with difficulties when dealing with the international community in managing refugee situations. For example, host countries are often under considerable pressure from donors to abide by international law, norms and standards when accepting refugees. At the same time, host countries have to grapple with internal challenges such as the safety and security of their own populations, a lack of resources, a lack of political will and the expectations of their citizens. These competing interests and expectations can easily result in host countries having different — sometimes controversial — positions in how they maintain security and promote their national interests. To overcome these challenges, and to help alleviate the human suffering that accompanies a refugee/IDP crisis, this workshop will focus on how to prepare for, respond to, and work together in the management of these situations.

This seminar is E-IMET certified.

### **Learning Objectives:**

1. Explore various types of refugee and IDP situations, their specific security dimensions and appropriate responses;
2. Learn about international humanitarian law, international standards, and implications for host nations' security concerns in refugee/IDP management;
3. Understand the roles and responsibilities of response communities in refugee crises (e.g., international organizations, nongovernmental organizations, national government civilian agencies, and military and police forces); and
4. Interact and network among practitioners from various sectors to explore opportunities for future collaborative efforts and improved response.

**Cost:** Tuition for this course is approximately \$5,400, depending on the type of funding used. Interested US applicants should contact the Center for enrollment information.

**FY17 In-residence Dates:** August 14 – 25, 2017. This course pairs well with PR&R's "Approaches for the Reintegration of Ex-Combatants" (MASL P171063, dates August 28 – September 8, 2017).

**FY18 In-residence Dates:** August 13 – 24, 2018. This course pairs well with PR&R's "Approaches for the Reintegration of Ex-Combatants" (MASL P171063, dates August 27 – September 7, 2018).

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## Draft Schedule

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5
	<b>Intro/Overview</b>	<b>Displacement Management</b>	<b>Roles of Non-State Actors</b>	<b>State Security &amp; Protection Strategies</b>	<b>State Security &amp; Protection Strategies</b>
<b>0900-1030</b>	Welcome and Course Introduction	The System for Managing Displacement	IGOs & I/NGOs	Short Term (yr. 0-1)	Small Group Exercise: State Security Challenges Across Time
<b>1030-1100</b>	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea
<b>1100-1230</b>	Facilitated Dialogue: Participant Country Experiences	Role of the State in Refugee/IDP Management	Durable Solutions	Medium Term (yr. 2-4)	Mitigating the Impact of Illicit Networks
<b>1230-1400</b>	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
<b>1400-1500</b>	Defining the Terms	Risk Assessment: Small Group Work	Role of the Media	Long Term (yr. 5 - beyond)	Protecting Acutely Vulnerable Populations
<b>1500-1530</b>	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea
<b>1530-1630</b>	Historical Lens & Current Trends	Risk Assessment: Small Group Presentations & Discussion	Small Group Exercise: Media Guidance	Realizing Durable Solutions	Exercise – Building a Protection Strategy

	Day 6	Day 7	Day 8	Day 9	Day 10
	<b>Security Dimensions of Displacement</b>	<b>Security Dimensions of Displacement</b>	<b>Importance of Effective Durable Solutions</b>	<b>Capstone</b>	<b>Synthesis</b>
<b>0900-1030</b>	Indicators & Drivers Displacement	Small Group Exercise: Displacement Scenarios	SF Field Trip Day: Visit Think Tanks/NGOs	Small Group Exercise: Participant Country Challenges & Strategy Development	Open Space Dialogue/Course Wrap Up
<b>1030-1100</b>	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea		Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea
<b>1100-1230</b>	Risk of Mobilization	Role of the Military and Police Force in Displacement Management		Small Group Exercise Cont.	Course Evaluation and Presentation of Certificates
<b>1230-1400</b>	Lunch	Lunch		Lunch	Graduation Luncheon
<b>1400-1500</b>	Comparative Case Study	Introduction to the U.S. System as a Receiving Nation		Small Group Exercise Cont.	
<b>1500-1530</b>	Coffee/Tea	Coffee/Tea		Coffee/Tea	
<b>1530-1630</b>	Video: Illustration of Displacement	Facilitated Discussion / Prep for Day 8 & 9		Individual Country-Strategy Presentations	