

# **Civil Society Engagement Strategy**

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#### **Guiding Principles**

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**Representativity** UNOCT will ensure adequate representation of geographies, gender, and age in its engagement with civil society.

**Do No Harm** UNOCT will undertake risk assessments and develop mitigation measures with civil society partners to avoid exposing them to risks that may arise due to their engagement with UNOCT.

**Inclusivity** UNOCT will not arbitrarily exclude civil society organizations from participating in its activities, and will set clear, transparent, criteria for engagement.

**Independence** Civil society organizations engaging with UNOCT should be acting independently.

### Legitimacy

-terrorism policies

and programming and that how this is done is communicated to them. Engagement should also be structured, systematic, and abide by a consistent set of guidelines and principles.

#### **Diversity**

civil society to speak with one voice.

**Mutual accountability** both UNOCT and civil society partners should agree to terms of reference for engagement, to which each are held responsible.

**Transparency** decisions made with respect to civil society engagement and criteria for engagement should be transparent and readily available. There should be a method to