

The development of national comprehensive and integrated strategies has become increasingly important as terrorists increasingly turn to online recruitment tools in an effort to bypass law enforcement and border-control measures.

It should be recalled that, in promoting the development of such strategies, Security Council resolutions 1963 and 2129 are aligned with Pillar I of the United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy, on conditions conducive to the spread of terrorism.

CTED has designed a project for the OCT to finance the appointment of counter-terrorism advisors in capitals of Member States that have asked for support in the development of such strategies.

We anticipate that we shall be able to assist several priority Member States in this area during the coming year.

As co-Chair of the Working Group on Legal and Criminal Justice, we have notably partnered with Working Group members to secure UNCCT seed funding and additional funding support for two flagship projects:

- i. A large multiyear project on addressing Violent Extremism in Prisons (VEP);**
- ii. A project on the role of military actors in collecting and sharing evidence with the aim of ending impunity for terrorist suspects.**

As co-Chair of the Working Group on Strategic Communications, CTED is working with its partners to All-of-UN strategy for communicating UN programmes to counter terrorism and to prevent and counter violent extremism and radicalization.

In this regard, CTED and the co-Chairs