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PROJECT STADIA

Safe and Secure Major Events

Established by INTERPOL in 2012 and funded by Qatar, Project Stadia aims to create a Centre of Excellence to support INTERPOL member countries in planning and executing safety and security preparations for major events. Not only does this project contribute to policing and security arrangements

for the 2022 FIFA World Cup™ in Qatar, it assists all host countries to deliver safe and secure major events.

Project Stadia carries out a range of activities in order to equip future hosts with global knowledge and expertise they can draw on to enrich their own safety and security preparations:

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► EXPERT GROUPS

Project Stadia organizes dedicated expert group meetings on cybersecurity, sports legislation and event safety & security to explore key themes relating to planning and executing safety and security arrangements for major events. These meetings bring together global experts from law enforcement, event organizing committees, government, the private sector, academia and civil society to explore state-of-the-art research and analysis and develop independent recommendations for the benefit of member countries.

► SHARING BEST PRACTICES

To capture good practices and lessons learned before, during and after major sporting events, Project Stadia conducts structured observation and debriefing programmes with designated security officials from both the public and private sectors who have direct responsibilities for policing and security operations.

► TRAINING

Project Stadia works with recognized academic institutions to identify training needs and develop training curricula, along with an international accreditation program, for policing and security personnel responsible for planning and executing major sporting event policing and security arrangements

► PARTNERSHIPS

The development of strategic partnerships with key international organizations is essential in order to help promote security for major sporting events, assist in the development of good practices and provide assurance to member countries.

► STADIA KNOWLEDGE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

The learning accrued from the above activities is shared with all INTERPOL member countries via a state-of-the-art, web-based Stadia Knowledge Management System with two components:

- A comprehensive knowledge repository of good practices in all aspects of major sporting event security, which all member countries can contribute to and benefit from;
- An online collaborative platform where experts in the field can share, discuss, analyze and publish information on the evolving aspects of major sporting event security.

In addition to the above, with a global network of 192 member countries, INTERPOL is ideally placed to support major event hosts by providing unique policing capabilities which enhance counter-terrorism efforts, as well as a coordinated response to cybercrime, organized crime and emerging crimes.



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