

Strategic Planning for Major Tournaments in a post Covid World

Tuesday 12th January 2021, 13:00-16:00 (GMT)

Background

London Resilience and the Counter Terrorism Preparedness Network (CTPN) are hosting a strategic exercise, to be facilitated by international command level trainers who work through Interpol Project Stadia to develop command level competence in major event planning.

This virtual exercise follows the conference on Protecting Major Events & Crowded Places in December 2020 as delivered by London Resilience and CTPN in partnership with Europol, Interpol and MOPAC. It aligns with strategic risks and incorporates international guidelines in protective security.

It will provide an opportunity for strategic leaders to take a deep-dive into this priority area through interactive scenario-based discussions that harness the expertise and experiences of the participants. The exercise will cover protective security, multi-agency governance, concepts of operations, planning and response to crowded spaces/publicly accessible locations as part of host city event operations.

Aim and Objectives

To convene a select group of international strategic leaders to engage in a multi-agency immersive exercise. The exercise aims to establish the context of a host cities responsibilities during a major international event, identify threats, and effective strategies for preparedness and response. It will:

- Explore how the principles of collocation, communication and coordination can support integrated safety, security & service in minimising, managing and mitigating risks;
- Discuss strategic objectives and actions for the protection of people and premises;
- Apply key principles, lessons and recommendations from previous experiences;
- Consider how major event security is enhanced by wider societal resilience planning;
- Enable the transference of knowledge between domestic and international partners;
- Inform future priorities and the development of arrangements, plans and procedures;
- Raise awareness of the relevant international standards and guidelines;
- Contribute to a high-level report on major event planning.

Joining Instructions

Microsoft Teams: This is a virtual event only. It will be conducted online via Microsoft Teams.

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Audience Profile: This is a relatively small and targeted event attended by invitation only. In order to achieve the aims and objectives, and maximise value for participants, delegates should:

- Have attended the London Resilience, CTPN, Europol, Interpol and MOPAC conference on “Protecting Major Events & Crowded Places – Beyond Covid-19” in December 2020;
- Serve as a strategic leader (gold commander) that would represent their organisation on a regional Strategic Coordinating Group or have a senior stake in this area or work;
- Be a representative of a public sector organisation.

Chatham House Rule

Note that this is a closed event by invitation only. To encourage open discussions, Chatham House Rule will apply. Participants are free to use the information received, but neither the identity nor the affiliation of the speakers, nor that of any other participant, may be revealed.

Other Notes

- This is an international exercise with a range of cities and organisations represented;
- The event will be conducted in English and there are no translation facilities available;
- This is an interactive event that involves group work. Attendance for and participation in the duration of the exercise is requested. All participants will have an opportunity to speak;
- The accompanying virtual event protocol should be followed to assist facilitation;
- Queries in advance of the event should be e-mailed to: ctpn@london-fire.gov.uk.

Pre-Reading

Participants may wish to consider the following materials in advance:

- CTPN report on Protection Major Events & Crowded Places
- The Council of Europe ProS4 website and the free [online course](#)
- The Interpol Project Stadia [website](#) and the UK [Crowded Places Guidance](#)
- Relevant legislation and organisational guidance as appropriate to participant roles

Order of Proceedings

Convened and moderated by Alex Townsend-Drake

Chair and Programme Manager, Counter Terrorism Preparedness Network

Facilitated and delivered by Pete Dalton and Paul Foster

Interpol Project Stadia Instructors

13:00	Welcome & Introductions
13:10	Exercise Introduction - Safety, Security & Service Concept of Operations
13:30	Immersive Exercise
15:30	Facilitated Feedback
16:00	Close of Event

Note: All timings are approximate. Please join 5 minutes early to avoid disrupting the event.