Global Travel Assessment System
Workshop on Coordinated Border Management Against Transnational Organized Crime
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WCO Security Programme

- Passenger controls/FTFs (API and PNR)
- IEDs (Global Shield)
- Strategic Trade (STCE Programme)
- Small Arms and Light-Weapons (SALW Project)
- Terrorist financing

WCO Border Security Initiative
Global Travel Assessment System (GTAS)

Risk assessment system to help officers identify passengers of interest in advance of arrival.

Created to help members become compliant with UN Security Resolutions and the Punta Cana Resolution

Designed in the interest of detection, interruption and interdiction of Foreign Terrorist Fighters (FTFs) amongst other bad actors
Members are guided to:

- Determine needs and expectations
- Familiarize themselves with global standards
- Ensure legislation and regulations are in place
- Establish inter-agency cooperation & single window parameters
- Include private stakeholders as soon as possible
- Determine budget including constraints and contingencies
- Approach foreign States and organizations for assistance
- Expect the unexpected
Options for members

Members can choose:

**GTAS** – Promotes self-sufficient capacity for IT capabilities, targeting/risk assessment cycle.

- to develop their own system in house
- US – Automated Targeting System – (ATS-G);
- UN GoTravel
WCO – CBP GTAS Collaboration

• CBP Commissioner donated GTAS to WCO members in June 2017

• WCO has promoted the use of GTAS to WCO Customs member states
  • API/PNR Contact Committee
  • Regional Workshops
  • National level engagements

• CBP provides technical advise and expertise to support implementation of GTAS software
Benefits of WCO-Interpol-CBP Partnership

- Spirit of Customs-Police Cooperation
- Exponential coverage between administrations
- Promotion of Single Window Concept
How members get started

• Contact WCO & Complete GTAS Intake Questionnaire

• WCO and CBP conduct site visit to determine technical feasibility and operational readiness

• Determine pilot parameters

• Deployment of GTAS system (training for officers, and IT Services)

• Transition of knowledge to member country towards independent ownership of GTAS by end of pilot.
More Information

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