

# The NATO Science for Peace and Security Programme

## Introduction to NATO SPS

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### The SPS Programme is an established NATO 'brand', that aims at:



**Engaging partners** in civil science, technology, innovation & beyond



Demonstrating commitment to peace & security through scientific cooperation



Fostering practical and regional cooperation and producing tangible results



**Enhancing** the **public diplomacy** value of NATO's partnership dimension







- Counter-Terrorism
- Energy Security
- Cyber Defence
- Defence against CBRN Agents
- Environmental Security



SUPPORT FOR NATO-LED OPERATIONS & MISSIONS



NEW DEVELOPMENTS
AND CRISIS
PREVENTION

- Security-related advanced technology
- Border and port security
- Mine and UXO detection and clearance
- Human and Social aspects of Security



OTHER DIRECTLY
SECURITY-RELATED
TOPICS





Multi-year

**Projects** 

**R&D** projects;

**Purchase** 

for young scientists.

equipment;

reimburse travel

expenses; training



High-level tutorial courses; latest developments; young scientists at post-doctoral level.

Advanced Training Courses (ATC)

Specialists in NATO countries share securityrelated expertise with trainees from partner countries Advanced Research Workshop (ARW)

Expert workshops aimed at finding solutions for today's security challenges.

A. Projects

**B.** Training

C. Workshops



### SPS IN THE PAST DECADE

- **5800+** young scientists and trainees trained
  - **400+** events organised (Advanced Research Workshops, studies Institute and Training Courses)
  - 300+ journal publications supported
  - 200+ books published in the NATO Science Series overall, participating in the dissemination of advanced scientific and technological knowledge and strengthening links between scientific communities







# CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

- For both top-down and bottom-up proposals
- Posted on SPS website

## REVIEW BY SPS

- Confirmation of eligibility
- Verification of alignment with SPS Key Priorities and NATO's strategic guidance

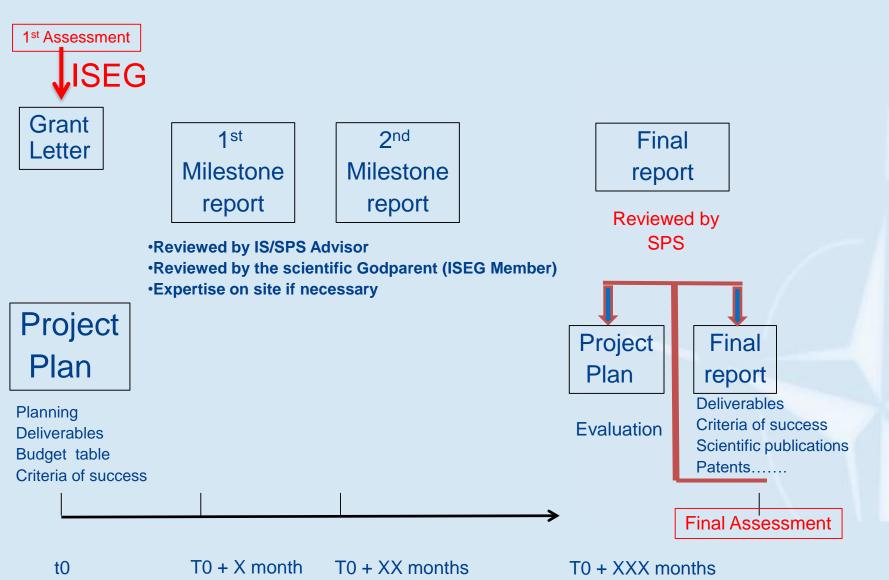
# REVIEW BY ISEG

• Peer-review of proposals by specialists nominated by Nations

APPROVAL BY PCSC

- Proposals receiving positive reviews by ISEG are presented to PCSC as Award Recommendations
- Each potential activity is approved by PCSC







#### **MYP HANDBOOK**

• The MYP Handbook describes the financial and administrative procedures for the management of the SPS Multi-Year Projects (MYP) and sets out the general terms and conditions governing grants made under this Programme.

#### **REPORTING**

- A reporting schedule linked to technical progress will be established in the Project Plan
- The Progress Report comprises a Financial and a Technical Report, which will be due for each milestone after the effective start date of the project. A signed statement must be provided by the NPD together with the Progress Report that certifies that the technical and financial reports are accurate and in line with the provisions of the MYP Handbook

#### **PROJECT CLOSE-OUT**

• After the technical activities of a project have been completed, the co-directors shall prepare a Final Report detailing project activities, technical or scientific progress, and the future implementation of the results. A final project evaluation will be conducted, including a site visit by the SPS advisor and/or external evaluator whenever feasible.

#### **CHANGES TO THE PROJECT PLAN**

• Should unforeseen circumstances require changes to a project already underway, the SPS Advisor will work with the co-directors to ensure the best way forward.



### **Project Co-Directors**

- NATO-country Project Co-director (NPD)
  All correspondence with SPS through NPD
  Always Cc SPS admin email: <a href="mailto:sps.admin@hq.nato.int">sps.admin@hq.nato.int</a>
- Partner Project Director (PPD)
- Other co-Director(s)

## **Primary references for the management of SPS Projects**



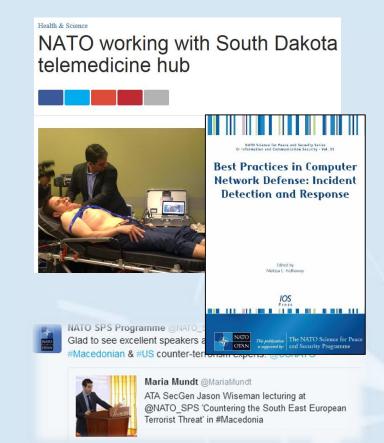




the approved Project Plan and the Grant Letter



- Publications in the NATO Science Series and scientific journals:
  - Proceedings of SPS Events (ARW, ASI ATC)
- Mainstream Media Coverage: SPS activities have e.g. been covered in the New York Times, Bloomberg Business, Politico, Washington Post, local media and journals
- SPS Website: Successful SPS activities are featured online in news stories and videos
- Social Media: Photos, Announcements & Updates of SPS activities are shared on the SPS Twitter Account @NATO\_SPS





# Q&A

# Thank you!

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