



# INSTITUTE FOR SECURITY GOVERNANCE

Advancing Knowledge, Building Capacity, Strengthening Partners



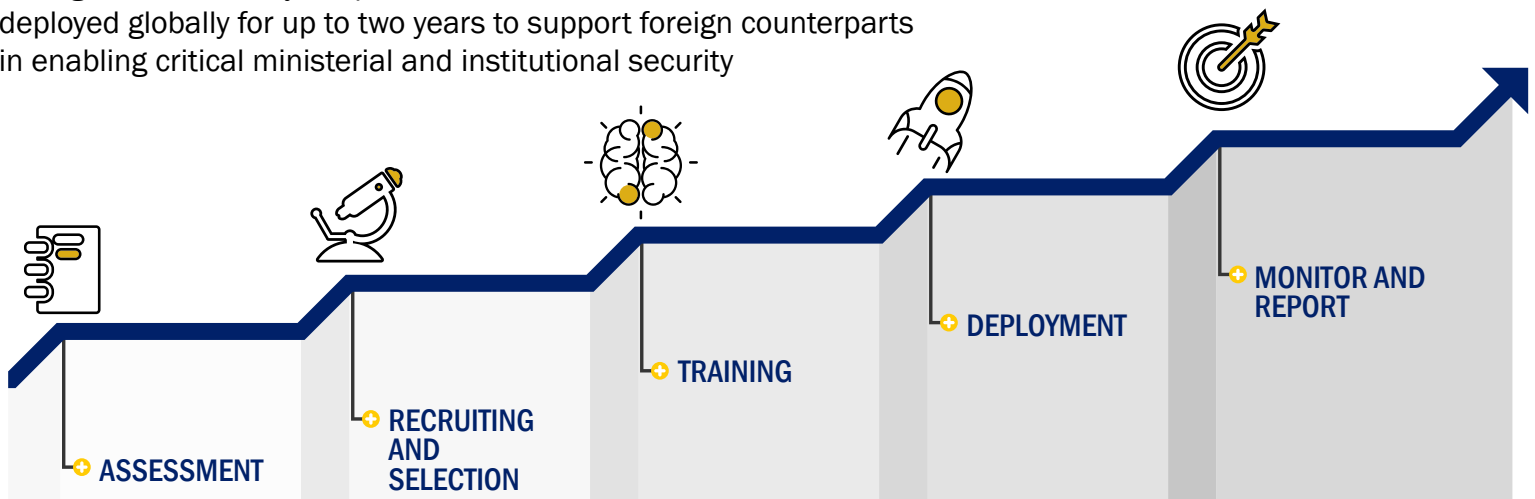
## RESIDENT ADVISORS

ISG's Resident Advisory Program – more commonly known as the Ministry of Defense Advisors (MoDA) Program – partners senior Department of Defense (DoD) civilian experts with foreign counterparts to build institutional capacity in key areas, such as acquisition and logistics, personnel and readiness, strategy and policy, human resource management and financial management. The MoDA Program was originally developed in response to operational requirements in Afghanistan and expanded globally to meet increased US Government emphasis on civilian-led institutional capacity building (ICB) globally. MoDA was designed to leverage the specialized capabilities of DoD civilians and provide the reach back support and cultural, operational, and advisor training that ensures the in-country advising is appropriate and effective. Since July 2010, MoDA has trained and deployed over 600 resident advisors to over 20 countries.

*The Resident Advisory Program provides trained Department of Defense advisors in support of global United States security cooperation and institutional capacity building efforts in partner nations.*

## AUTHORIZATION

The Resident Advisory Program, nested within DSCA's Institute for Security Governance (ISG), provides institutional advisory support through the traditional MoDA authority – 10 USC Section 332a – and through DSCA security cooperation cases. Resident Advisors are DoD civilians who are deployed globally for up to two years to support foreign counterparts in enabling critical ministerial and institutional security



# GLOBAL RESIDENT ADVISING

A trained and deployed Resident Advisor is a subject matter expert who enables enduring, local solutions that build partner institutional capacity. Finding tailored solutions to local problems is the primary objective of any resident advisor serving in a partner nation. As Security Cooperation professionals, ISG's Resident Advisors are trained to support partners in developing and implementing capabilities using the broad range of Security Cooperation capabilities found in their toolbox. Resident Advisors have a complementary and unique role in the Security Cooperation Enterprise as the professionals who by their daily proximity to the Partner and their expertise are able to influence and shape outcomes supporting the partner and US national security goals.

## RESIDENT ADVISING OPPORTUNITIES



Like all ISG programs, the Resident Advisor Program implements efforts that support, and are driven by, the National Defense Strategy, National Security interests, and our Security Cooperation priorities and mission.

**If you are interested in taking on the challenge and serving as a Resident Advisor, please consider the following:**

- ◆ Candidates for DSCA's Resident Advisor Program should be a GS-13/14/15 permanent DoD Civilian
- ◆ Candidates will engage in high visibility Ministerial level advising
- ◆ Candidates will undergo training for 6-7 weeks, which includes the Strategic Advisor Course
- ◆ Candidates will receive comprehensive, tiered training, which provides advisory and capacity building skills; country study, cultural awareness, and language instruction; mission preparation; and operational readiness training.

### **Resident Advisor (MoDA) Application Package:**

Interested candidates should submit the following attachments to mailbox [dsca.ncr.bpc.list.moda@mail.mil](mailto:dsca.ncr.bpc.list.moda@mail.mil)

**Cover Letter:** Indicate the Resident Advisor position you are applying for and summarize why you think you are a good fit

**Narrative Chronological Resume:** Include civilian GS grade, military rank/industry title for each position

**Current SF-50:** Redact SSN and DoB

**Three (3) Supervisor References:** Requested from current supervisor and supervisors from any prior deployments  
Command/Component Approval to deploy