



Session I I: Regional Associations

- **Latin-American Association of Peacekeeping Training Centers**
- **ALCOPAZ Organization & Functioning – Overview**
- **Environmental Care in UN Peace Operations – Virtual Course**



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• **Latin-American Association of Peacekeeping Training Centers**

- **Created in 2007** – Constitutive Statute approved in Aug.2008 – **Joined IAPTC in Oct.2008**
- Conformed by the **official national training centers, units and specialized institutes** in Latin America, **responsible for the pre-deployment training** of the personnel that participates in the UN peace operations.
- **Aim:** to achieve the **homologation of education and training procedures** under current norms in **United Nations Peace Operations**.

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- **Organization & Functioning** (IAPTC model): 1) **General Assembly**; 2) **Executive body** (Presidency & General Secretariat; 3) **Five Committees** (Executive - Consolidation, Development & Planning, - Military - Police - Civilian).
- The **Presidency** and **Pro-Tempore Secretariat** is assumed by the **Permanent Associates**, in a rotating way (yearly) following the alphabetical order, considering the names of the respective countries.
- The **Association's plenary** congregates annually to develop its **Annual Conference & General Assembly**, whose topics and programming are previously agreed in the preceding **Preparatory Meeting**.

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- In its **15 years** of existence, ALCOPAZ has been achieving **significant accomplishments, remarkable institutional growth and progressive consolidation.**
- **Membership:** initially formed by **7 countries**; presently takes account of **12 Permanent Associates:**
 - Argentina** (CAECOPAZ),
 - Brazil** (CCOPAB),
 - Colombia** (CEPAZ),
 - El Salvador** (CEOPAZ),
 - Mexico** (CECOPAM),
 - Peru** (CECOPAZ)
 - Bolivia** (DIOPE),
 - Chile** (CECOPAC),
 - Ecuador** (EUMPE),
 - Guatemala** (CREOMPAZ - EOPAZ),
 - Paraguay** (CECOPAZ),
 - Uruguay** (ENOPU).

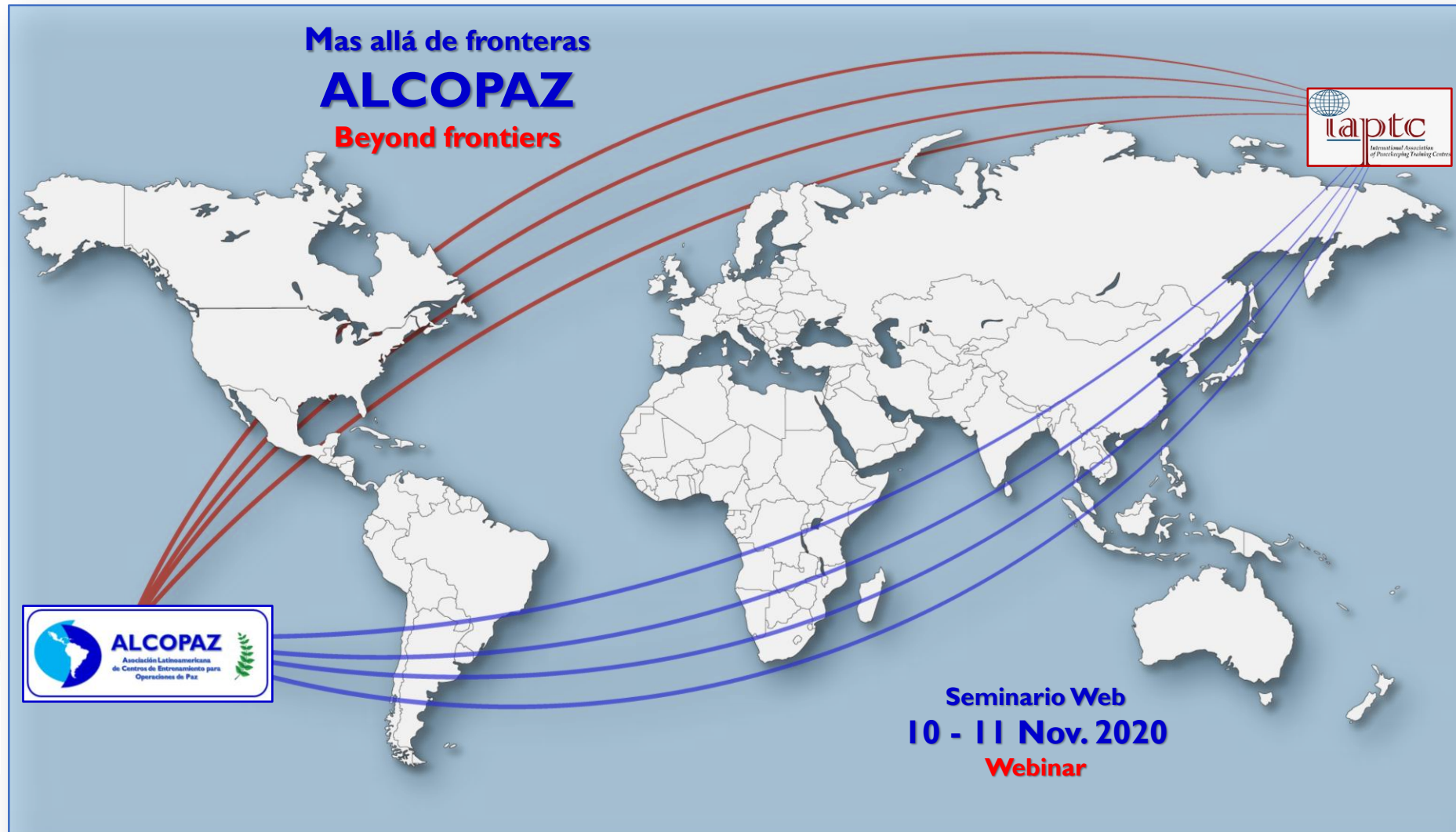
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- Also, the Association gathers other **14 institutions**, registered as **Permanent Observers**:
 - 1) DEU UNTC (UN Training UN Center - **Germany**);
 - 2) PSTC (Peace Support Training Center - **Canada**);
 - 3) DI-CPS (Dallaire Institute for Children, Peace & Security - **Canada**);
 - 4) ESMAI (School of International Missions and Integral Action - **Colombia**);
 - 5) CCCPA (Cairo International Center for Resolution of Conflicts and Maintenance of Peace - **Egypt**);
 - 6) GPOI (Global Initiative for Peace Operations - **USA**);
 - 7) POTI (Peace Operations Training Institute - **USA**);
 - 8) WHINEC (Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation - **USA**);
 - 9) DCSD (Directorate of Security and Defense Cooperation - **France**);
 - 10) SAS (Small Arms Survey - **Switzerland**);
 - 11) UNITAR (United Nations Institute for Training and Research - **UN System** - Switzerland);
 - 12) AVOPU (Association of Veterans in Peace Operations - **Uruguay**);
 - 13) UNCURITIBA (University of Curitiba - **Brasil**);
 - 14) COpPazNav (Navy Peacekeeping operations Training Center - **Brasil**);
- Comparable is the occasional participation of **“Invitees”** (presently 5 Institutions)

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Mas allá de fronteras
ALCOPAZ
Beyond frontiers



The image features a world map with red lines connecting the ALCOPAZ logo in the bottom left to various regions in North and South America. Blue lines connect the IAPTC logo in the top right to various regions in Asia, Europe, and Africa. The text 'Mas allá de fronteras' and 'Beyond frontiers' is positioned above the map. The ALCOPAZ logo includes the text 'Asociación Latinoamericana de Centros de Entrenamiento para Operaciones de Paz'. The IAPTC logo includes the text 'International Association of Peacekeeping Training Centres'.

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Operaciones de Paz

IAPTC
International Association
of Peacekeeping Training Centres

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10 - 11 Nov. 2020
Webinar




**New dimensions for relationship in terms of Capacity Building, Training & Education.
International repercussion of our activities.**

APRIL 2018

Greening Peacekeeping: The Environmental Impact of UN Peace Operations

PROVIDING FOR PEACEKEEPING NO. 17

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ENVIRONMENT STRATEGY FOR FIELD MISSIONS

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VISION
PHASE ONE

CONTEXT





ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT IN THE CONTEXT OF MILITARY OPERATIONS

1 July 2022

Environment Section
Department of Operational Support



United Nations
Department of Peacekeeping Operations
Department of Field Support
Ref. 2009.8




Policy

Environmental Policy for UN Field Missions

Approved by: Alain Le Roy, USG DPKO
Effective date: 01 June 2009
Contact: Engineering Section, SSS / LSD / DFS
Review date: 30 June 2010

United Nations
Department of Peacekeeping Operations
Department of Field Support
Ref. 2018.14



Policy

Waste Management Policy for UN Field Missions

Approved by: Jean-Pierre Lacroix, USG DPKO; Afaf Khara, USG DFS
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Contact: DFS/LSD/SSS
Review date: 01 November 2019

Toward an Environmental and Climate-Sensitive Approach to Protection in UN Peacekeeping Operations

Agathe Sarfaty
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Executive Summary

Environmental degradation, including degradation caused by climate change, armed conflict, or the illegal exploitation of resources, can be a catalyst for violence against civilians. When environmental degradation contributes to violence, UN peacekeeping operations should include environmental and climate security considerations in their assessment and planning, as well as in the implementation of their mandated activities related to protection.

While several missions have environmental and climate-related language in their mandates, thus far, they have primarily emphasized the reduction of their environmental footprint. Nevertheless, given the number of missions that operate in contexts affected by climate change, the UN Department of Peace Operations (DPO) has signaled its intention to focus more on climate-related security threats, including by joining the Climate Security Mechanism in December 2021. However, peacekeeping operations could take additional steps to better factor environmental and climate-related risks into their planning and activities related to protection.

By including environmental and climate-related factors in assessments and planning, UN peacekeeping operations could prevent conflict more effectively, including by identifying potential hot spots for resource-related violence. There are also opportunities for missions to more systematically integrate environmental and climate-related considerations into activities related to protection, and support to environmental peacebuilding and mediation. Moreover, missions should engage with state and non-state actors to reinforce the rule of environmental humanitarian law pertaining to respect for the natural environment in armed conflict and help strengthen domestic capacity and expertise to take responsibility for protecting the natural environment. Finally, collaboration with UN country teams is vital for missions to address the root causes of environmental degradation that go beyond their mandates, particularly supporting transition and exit strategies.

These missions are already engaging in good practices in this regard, and this could be more extensive, and missions could continue exploring new approaches. Likewise, at headquarters, while DPO has taken incremental steps to integrate environmental and climate-related issues into its planning, especially as environmental conditions worsen in the years



Greening the Blue Helmets

Environment, Natural Resources and UN Peacekeeping Operations

United Nations Environment Programme

Module 3: Individual Peacekeeping Personnel

Lesson 3.5

Environment and Natural Resources



The UN Environmental and Climate Adviser in Somalia

Jenna Russo
OCTOBER 2022

Executive Summary

The UN Assistance Mission in Somalia (UNSOM) was among the first special political missions to receive climate-related language in its mandate, reflecting Somalia's acute vulnerability to the impact of climate change. UNSOM also became the first mission to have an environmental and climate adviser deployed to help implement its mandate. The adviser, who sits in the office of the Deputy special representative of the secretary general, was accredited by the UN Environment Programme (UNEP) and is funded on an annual basis through extra-budgetary contributions. The adviser's work is structured around three pillars:

1. Mainstreaming the environment and climate throughout the mission's mandated areas of work, including by contributing to the mission's work on environmental mediation, mainstreaming climate into risk planning and analysis, and collating data on climate, peace, and security.
2. Coordinating UN agencies, government actors, and NGOs working on climate through a "triple nexus" approach, across the humanitarian, development, and peacebuilding sectors and;
3. Supporting the government in developing, leading, and coordinating its climate action plans and policies.

While the environmental and climate adviser is still a relatively new position, they have already achieved some important successes. Because of strong buy-in from both mission leaders and national and regional counterparts, the adviser has been able to help the mission implement its mandate relating to climate change, environmental degradation, and other ecological changes. The adviser has also helped coordinate climate-related work, incorporate strategic analysis into climate-related risk assessments and responses, and liaise with local actors.

The environmental and climate adviser has also encountered some challenges. These include the broad scope of work tasked to a single person and the unique set of skills required, which could present a challenge when recruiting for similar positions in the future. The political context surrounding the concept of climate security, particularly in the Security Council, has also meant that the language underpinning the adviser's work in mission mandates remains minimal and the position lacks long-term funding from assessed contributions. In spite of this, missions will continue to increase their focus on the interlinkage among climate, peace, and security, and understanding and addressing these linkages will only become more important as the impacts of climate change accelerate.

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Related Organisations/Agency: Department of Field Support (DFS)
Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO)

Environmental issues such as competition for dwindling or lucrative resources often lie at the heart of conflict. Conflict in turn can devastate habitats, making recovery to sustainable peace a hard road. Recently, peacekeeping mandates have begun to address these issues. And work is under way at UN Headquarters on ways to deploy large peacekeeping operations with a reduced impact on the environment.




United Nations
Department of Peacekeeping Operations
Department of Field Support
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Standard Operating Procedure

Development of Waste Management Plans for UN Field Missions

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Review date: 31 december 2021



United Nations

JIU/REP/2020/8

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit

Prepared by Gopinathan Achamkulangar

Review of mainstreaming environmental sustainability across organizations of the United Nations system

Challenges Annual Forum 2021



ANNUAL FORUM REPORT 2021

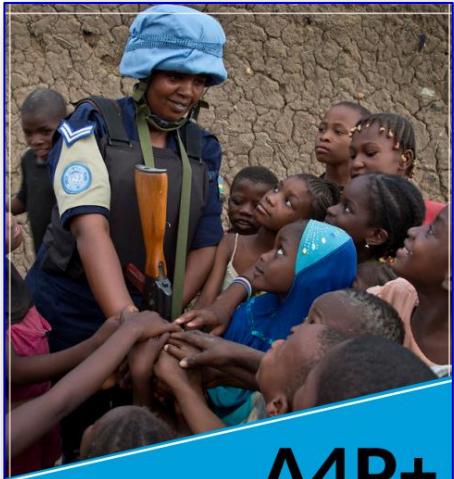
Climate and environmental security in peace operations

ACTION FOR PEACEKEEPING



#A4P

“We further commit to sound environmental management by implementing the United Nations Environmental Policy for UN field missions, and to support environmentally-responsible solutions to our operations and mandate delivery”.
(para. 23)



A4P+

Priorities for 2021-2023



Action for Peacekeeping+ Plan

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ACTION FOR PEACEKEEPING



A4P Areas of Commitment



A4P+ Priorities



WOMEN, PEACE & SECURITY

+

INNOVATIVE, DATA-DRIVEN AND TECHNOLOGY-ENABLED PEACEKEEPING (including through the Strategy for the Digital Transformation of UN Peacekeeping)

Result 5.4 Improve environmental adaptation and mitigation measures

- Deliverable 5.4.1. Guided by contextual factors specific to each mission, strengthen training for missions to reduce the environmental footprint and manage environmental risk.
- Deliverable 5.4.2. Strengthen mitigation measures to address the negative environmental impact of military operations.



Environmental Care in UN Peace Operations

Virtual Course



Special features of the course

Annual centralized course Command

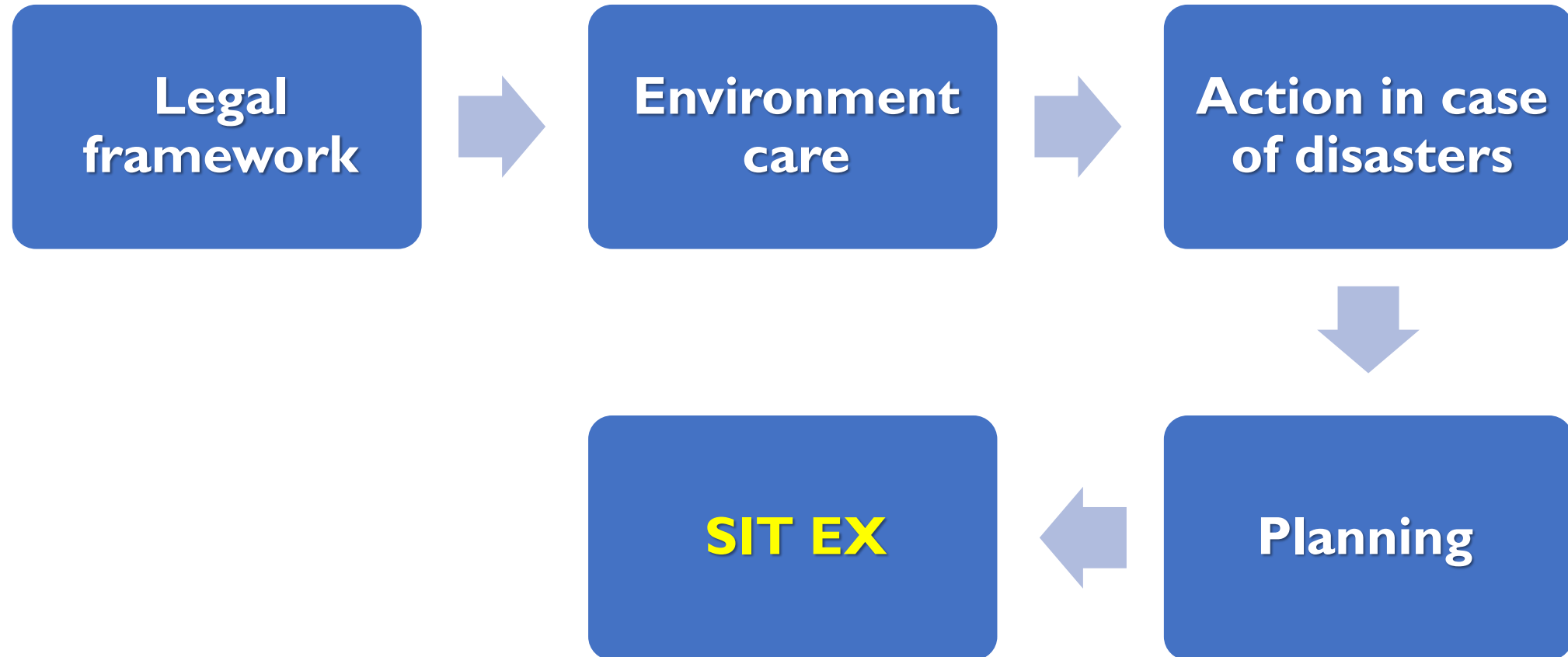
- **ALCOPAZ pro tempore Presidency direction**
- **Annual rotation**

Decentralized execution

- **12 Training Centers** providing experts & instructors
- Each one with their **own experiences** on each subject

- First fully **regional course**, executed by all the **Permanent Members** of ALCOPAZ
- **2/3-weeks virtual course.**
- **Regional product**, that could be **implemented internationally.**

Topics & Sequence



Legal Framework



International laws



UN policies



Regional laws



Environment Care

- **Water care**

- **Energy care**

- **Waste Management**

Action in case of Disasters

- **Floods**
- **Storms**
- **Earthquake**
- **Extreme heat**

- **Drought / Scarcity**
- **Forest fires**
- **Volcanic eruptions**

Planning

1

**Considerations for
operational
planning**

(Organization & equipment)

2

**Considerations for
tactical
planning**

3

**Considerations for
Disaster
situations
&
response**

Implementation phases

2022

- **Definition of course contents**
- **Approval by ALCOPAZ General Assembly**
- **Hand over**



2023

- **Pilot course completed**
- **1st. Execution**
- **Lessons to Learn & Adjustments**
- **Request for UN ITS approval**



2024

- **Annual execution**
- **Other languages & different public**





Environmental Care in UN Peace Operations

Virtual Course

