INTERPOL FOUNDATION

TO INSPIRE, CONNECT AND EMPOWER TO TURN BACK CRIME
TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE THE WORLD SAFER

Every age is defined by the innovations it brings, the way in which it responds to the major challenges of the time, and the foundations it builds in order to bring about a safer world for today and future generations.

The INTERPOL Foundation for a Safer World promotes a more secure, open world where global heritage is protected, where economies allow citizens and companies to flourish, and where men, women and children can live and travel without the threat of crimes.
A SHARED RESPONSIBILITY

The INTERPOL Foundation for a Safer World is the rallying point for an alliance where likeminded organizations and persons can unite with INTERPOL and the global law enforcement community in a joint response to today’s challenges.

INTERPOL’s vision is “Connecting Police for a Safer World”, yet a safer world cannot be achieved by police alone. It is a collective responsibility, requiring a global alliance between governments, businesses and civil society.

All have a role to play together in protecting their fellow citizens from crime, threats to their safety and the effects of humanitarian disasters.
THE MISSION

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THE FOUNDATION’S STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES

The Foundation works to ensure:

**Vibrant and sustainable societies** free of violence, in equilibrium with the environment, able to recover from conflict or disasters – built by citizens and law enforcement together.

**Clean and prosperous businesses** which operate uncorrupted, where investors can nurture emerging economies in confidence, and consumers are empowered to make smart decisions.

**Strong and connected law enforcement** guided by visionary leaders to face the emerging challenges of international crime.

**Safe and accessible travel** led by an industry that prevents criminals and terrorists from crossing borders without unduly impeding legitimate flows.

**Open and secure cyberspace** that connects individuals, families, entrepreneurs and companies, while countering the threats targeting them online.
In striving for a safer world and in working to achieve its strategic objectives, the Foundation needs to tackle the critical issues currently shaping the global security landscape. Among them, four in particular are at the centre of INTERPOL’s efforts to connect and empower police worldwide. Therefore, the range of initiatives supported by the Foundation will also draw on these four dimensions.

**Terrorism**
When crime threatens and inflicts losses onto innocents and economies alike through violence, it poses unique challenges to those who want to protect the world. At the centre of INTERPOL’s vision of a strong, connected police network is the ability to respond instantly to prevent and counter threats of terrorism worldwide.

**Organized crime**
Profit remains the first motive for criminal action worldwide, driving the so-called “underground economy”. Tackling criminal syndicates means understanding their goals, the commodities fuelling each of their illicit networks and, ultimately, the impact they have on corruption, growth and security worldwide.

**Police capacity**
A safer world cannot exist without empowering law enforcement officials with the tools and skills necessary in order to tackle present and emerging criminal challenges. This is crucial to international policing in a rapidly changing world, where innovation can turn investigation practices obsolete almost overnight, and where evolving societies require special qualities from police leaders.

**Fragile states**
In a globalized world, the fate of a given country often rests on events in another continent. Conflicts and disasters, together with weak capacity and rule of law, can condemn a nation to a generation of lost growth, and provide a platform for organized crime and terrorism to strike abroad. Operating in these settings to rebuild security structures and law enforcement is a unique challenge requiring specialized cross-border experience.
THE VISION

For a safer world
Citizens need protecting from physical and virtual crimes. Businesses and families need economic security in order to thrive. The Foundation develops activities to challenge some of the main threats facing people today.

• **Creating partnerships:** Developing international partnerships and cooperation with organizations whose work contributes to the objectives of the Foundation. This includes organizing or taking part in meetings held across the world relevant to the work of INTERPOL.

• **Raising awareness:** Implementing an action programme aimed at raising awareness among governments (for example, heads of state and politicians), the private sector and the general public about modern day security issues and the role of INTERPOL.

• **Developing research capacity:** Establishing research programmes in the areas of crime prevention and international cooperation in criminal matters, and developing training activities aimed at building capacity in these areas.

• **Fundraising:** Conducting international fundraising campaigns and managing the income. This entails the redistribution of funds to organizations working within the Foundation's sphere of action, having identified the causes and activities to be given priority.

Patronage from sponsors and benefactors will generate new, innovative crime prevention and awareness initiatives on the major threats facing the world today.

The Foundation will mobilize support across all sectors against transnational crimes which threaten communities worldwide, notably in the strategic areas of business, cyberspace, society and travel. Ultimately, it will support the international law enforcement community in making the world a safer place.
THE PRINCIPLES

Integrity and neutrality

The INTERPOL Foundation for a Safer World supports the strengthening of INTERPOL’s safeguards and quality control systems, an essential component for establishing trust between law enforcement officials as they communicate, exchange information, and coordinate through INTERPOL. As INTERPOL grows through the Foundation, the Foundation remains committed to ensuring that INTERPOL’s integrity and neutrality remain intact.
THE INTERPOL FOUNDATION FOR A SAFER WORLD

Registered in Geneva, Switzerland, the Foundation supports the programmes and activities of INTERPOL while remaining legally and administratively independent.

With its decision-making Board, Honorary Committee and Auditor, it will create new global safety initiatives and ensure that all donations are channelled transparently.

INTERPOL

INTERPOL, CONNECTING POLICE FOR A SAFER WORLD

INTERPOL is the world’s largest international police organization. Its role is to assist law enforcement agencies in its 190 member countries to combat all forms of transnational crime.

Its high-tech infrastructure of technical and operational support helps meet the growing challenges of fighting crime in the 21st century.