

# **International Expert Group Meeting on the Protection of Vulnerable Targets and Unmanned Aircraft Systems October 7, 2021**

Multidimensional Perspectives

Civil Society

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# Civil Society Engagement

- Designation and Definitions of Critical Infrastructure
- Counterterrorism Policy
- Use of UAS and counter-UAS
- Points of Intersection
- Implications of discussion on civil society / freedom of association

# Areas of Added Value

1. Maintaining appropriate societal perspective on criticality of infrastructure assets and systems, relative threat of terrorism (and UAS)
2. Clearly identify and integrate concern and protection for human rights in development of laws and policies related to infrastructure
3. Plans for response and resilience
4. Enhancing public understanding and involvement in UAS and counter-UAS
5. Technology exports

# Process Principles

- Not just inform, but consult and involve
- Early and often
- Conducted in good faith
- Inclusive and accessible
- International, national, local levels