



## The United Nations Liaison Office for Peace and Security - UNLOPS

UNLOPS represents the Departments of [Political and Peacebuilding Affairs](#) (DPPA), [Peace Operations](#) (DPO), [Operational Support](#) (DOS) and the UN Office of [Counter-Terrorism](#) (UNOCT) in Brussels and liaises on all matters related to peace and security that fall under the remit of these four entities.

UNLOPS was established in Brussels in 2011 to develop closer, more predictable and continuous partnerships between the UN and the European Union (EU), the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) and other Brussels-based organizations. UNLOPS supports institutional dialogue and improved coordination on peace and security policy, operations and programmes with a view to preventing violent conflict, managing crisis and countering terrorism. The office facilitates high level UN visits from New York and the field to Brussels, supports UN-EU and UN-NATO information exchange, and backstops the UN-EU Steering Committee on Crisis Management, the UN-EU Partnerships Meeting on Conflict Prevention, the UN-EU Leadership Dialogue on Counter-Terrorism, and the UN-NATO Staff Talks.



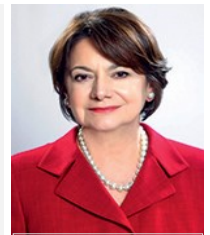
The United Nations Headquarters in New York.



Under-Secretary-General Jean-Pierre Lacroix is the head of DPO.

The [Department of Peace Operations \(DPO\)](#) is dedicated to assisting the Member States and the Secretary-General in their efforts to maintain international peace and security. DPO provides political and executive direction to UN peace operations around the world and maintains contact with the Security Council, troop and financial contributors, and parties to the conflict in the implementation of Security Council mandates.

The [Department of Political and Peacebuilding Affairs \(DPPA\)](#) plays a central role in United Nations efforts to prevent deadly conflict and build sustainable peace around the world. DPPA monitors and assesses global political developments with an eye to detecting potential crises and devising effective responses. The Department provides support to the Secretary-General and his envoys in their peace initiatives, as well as to UN political missions around the world.



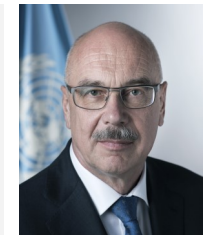
Under-Secretary-General Rosemary A. DiCarlo is the head of DPPA.



Under-Secretary-General Atul Khare is the head of DOS.

The [Department of Operational Support \(DOS\)](#) provides operational support to UN Secretariat entities globally, including advisory, operational and transactional support services and, where needed, exercises delegated authority on behalf of clients. DOS supports the entire UN Secretariat, consisting of almost 100 entities located around the globe.

The [Office of Counter-Terrorism \(UNOCT\)](#) was created in 2017 to ensure that due priority is given to counter-terrorism across the UN system, including the work on preventing violent extremism. The Office works to enhance the coordination and coherence of UN entities in line with the UN Global Strategy on Counter-Terrorism. UNOCT also strengthens the delivery of United Nations counter-terrorism capacity building assistance to member states.



Under-Secretary-General Vladimir Voronkov is the head of the UN Office of Counter-Terrorism.

### Brussels-based peace and security partners

- The European External Action Service (EEAS).
- The European Commission, including DG DEVCO, DG NEAR, DG HOME and DG JUST.
- The Council of the EU, notably the Political and Security Committee and its working groups.
- The European Parliament Foreign Affairs and Terrorism Committees and the Security and Defence Subcommittee.
- The North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO).
- European-based NGOs.
- External peacekeeping experts in academia and think tanks.
- African Union (AU) office and other regional partners based in Brussels.