The working groups have been working in earnest to implement these work plans and report to the Coordination Committee on their progress in sharing information and fostering coherent approaches, coordinating capacity building efforts and developing joint initiatives, as well as implementing a number of joint projects, some supported through catalytic funding provided by UNOCT.

My colleague Ms. Sevil Alirzayeva will brief you later on the important work that has been done by the Resource Mobilization and Monitoring and Evaluation Working Group, which she co-chairs with CTED and UNODC, and which is currently mapping of UN counter-terrorism efforts and their alignment with CTED recommendations.

I also look forward to the briefings by my Global Compact colleagues later in this meeting.

## Ladies and Gentlemen,

For the rest of my remarks, I wanted to discuss some of the new ground we broke and important strides we made in 2019 in strengthening our capacity-building efforts.

The UN Counter-Terrorism Centre plays a critical and growing role in this regard within UNOCT, and Mr. Steven Siqueira will provide some more details afterwards.

We have increased our work and programming in regions such as South East Asia and Africa, while we continued our support in Central Asia and other regions, supporting some of the

This programme builds on previous youth-related activities of the Centre to provide a strategic long-term framework for capacity-building support in engaging and empowering youth in PCVE-efforts.

It aims to promote the positive contribution of youth in these efforts, as well as to establish formal mechanisms through which young people can participate meaningfully in the development and delivery of relevant policies, action plans and programmes.

Third, our Global Victims of Terrorism Support Programme remained

As 2019 comes to an end, it would be remiss if I did not thank all UNOCT's partner countries and donors for their contributions to the United Nations Trust Fund for Counter-Terrorism, and their collaboration in delivering our activities.

Your support and guidance is indispensable so that we may more effectively support <u>you</u> and your fellow Member States in your efforts to implement the UN Global Counter-