

AT-RISK INTERNATIONAL

## MIDDLE EAST

### A SECURITY ROAD MAP FOR THE MIDDLE EAST

THE THREATS RELATED TO TRAVELING, WORKING OR LIVING IN THE MIDDLE EAST ARE many. Foreigners who rely on media and public reports to judge the risk climate are missing critical information on politics, terrorism, culture, economics and other factors. Even those who live or work in the region may require additional support to remain safe in rapidly changing conditions.

AT-RISK uses local security experts, dedicated 24/7 analysts, and connections with security and law enforcement personnel to provide holistic, proactive threat mitigation. Our local office employs strategic planning, supported by insights from our Global Security Operations Center (GSOC), to anticipate, identify and mitigate potential threats. For organizations looking to establish operations in the area, or to partner with Middle Eastern companies, we can provide in-depth due diligence for better decision making.

Most importantly, AT-RISK offers the full spectrum of services needed by individuals, families and organizations who travel, work or live in the Middle East.

### SERVICES

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#### Protective Intelligence

With an office in Dubai and an extensive network cultivated over decades, AT-RISK can provide intelligence that goes well beyond government travel advisories and other public sources. Our personnel understand the current threat climate in every city and country throughout the region. We advise clients on the specific security requirements for each destination, and we support those in the area with real-time updates on developing situations.

#### Threat Assessments

AT-RISK offers timely assessments of the country and the region that pinpoint potential threats and dangerous areas. We also provide detailed risk assessments for organizations establishing a business presence in the region, as well as in-depth analysis of vulnerabilities for facilities, operations and individuals.

#### Personal Protection Specialists

Throughout the Middle East, we provide seasoned security drivers and Personal Protection Specialists. Protective coverage is available 24/7 or as needed, depending on the risk. We support field personnel by providing continuous updates from our GSOC and analysts with in-depth knowledge of the region. These experts not only help protect clients in dangerous situations, but they also keep individuals out of harm's way through advance planning and local knowledge. If a crisis strikes, either a natural disaster or a manmade event, we have the resources to manage a swift evacuation.

#### Embedded Personnel

For organizations that require ongoing support, we provide embedded personnel who carry client credentials and work with the in-house team. In some cases, AT-RISK professionals manage contract security services and/or executive protection teams. Other companies retain AT-RISK as an on-site intelligence analyst. Available for both full- and part-time positions, embedded personnel offer specialized skills, assisted by a global network of experts, while transferring the burden of recruitment and training to AT-RISK.

### Biosecurity and Biosafety Consulting

Biosecurity and biosafety standards vary from those in the U.S. and Europe, and for many Middle Eastern companies, biosafety is a relatively new concern. By employing a team of top scientists and security personnel, AT-RISK can provide the three most critical types of assessments: physical vulnerability of a facility, biosafety risks from under-trained personnel or operational issues, and risks from employees and outsiders. These assessments, along with assistance in designing, installing and managing a comprehensive biosecurity and biosafety strategy, can aid in achieving ISO and other certifications.

### Due Diligence and Background Checks

AT-RISK can provide due diligence investigation of potential business partners, in addition to background checks on partners, vendors and employees. We understand the red flags and cultural differences that make due diligence in the Middle East very different from similar investigations elsewhere.

### On-Site Training

AT-RISK offers training for security personnel and security directors from experts in the region. We can also train non-security personnel on what to do in an incident. Training programs can include executive protection and threat assessment for security professionals, as well as situational awareness training for all employees. In addition, we can assist security professionals and expatriates with in-depth cultural training to help them better understand the region and its people.

## EXAMPLES

### AT-RISK In Action

Terrorists, criminals and competitors, as well as employees and vendors, can threaten facilities, operations and personnel. AT-RISK can help protect clients traveling to and working in the Middle East.

- > A 15-person executive team and support staff visited four areas in the Middle East, as well as Europe and Africa, in support of crude oil programs in the region. AT-RISK provided in-depth intelligence before the trip, followed by an advance team, executive protection and security drivers, all supported by our 24/7 GSOC and in-region analysts. We coordinated private aircraft, commercial aircraft and ground transportation to move the team smoothly and seamlessly. We also secured high-level meetings between U.S. personnel and members of foreign ministries to discuss potential engagements in the region.
- > A corporation hired AT-RISK to conduct a risk and vulnerability assessment before expanding its operations to Lebanon. We reviewed several facilities under consideration and identified their respective vulnerabilities to various risks, including threats from explosives and other attacks. Once the client selected a site, we provided security recommendations, from blast mitigation planning to access control, and ongoing project management during the facility retrofit. The company then retained AT-RISK to provide embedded personnel, who worked on-site as client representatives.

## ABOUT AT-RISK

### Global Security Expertise

Founded by experts with law enforcement, military and intelligence backgrounds, AT-RISK International, LLC provides security training, protection, threat analysis, consulting and investigations worldwide. Established on the philosophy of proactive security, AT-RISK specializes in assessment and protection based on advance research, analysis and preparation that helps to prevent security issues before they occur.

Highly respected worldwide, AT-RISK helps protect high-profile individuals and organizations in the Middle East, Europe, Asia and Africa.

