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# Strengthening global biosecurity by biodetection capacity building and the one-health approach

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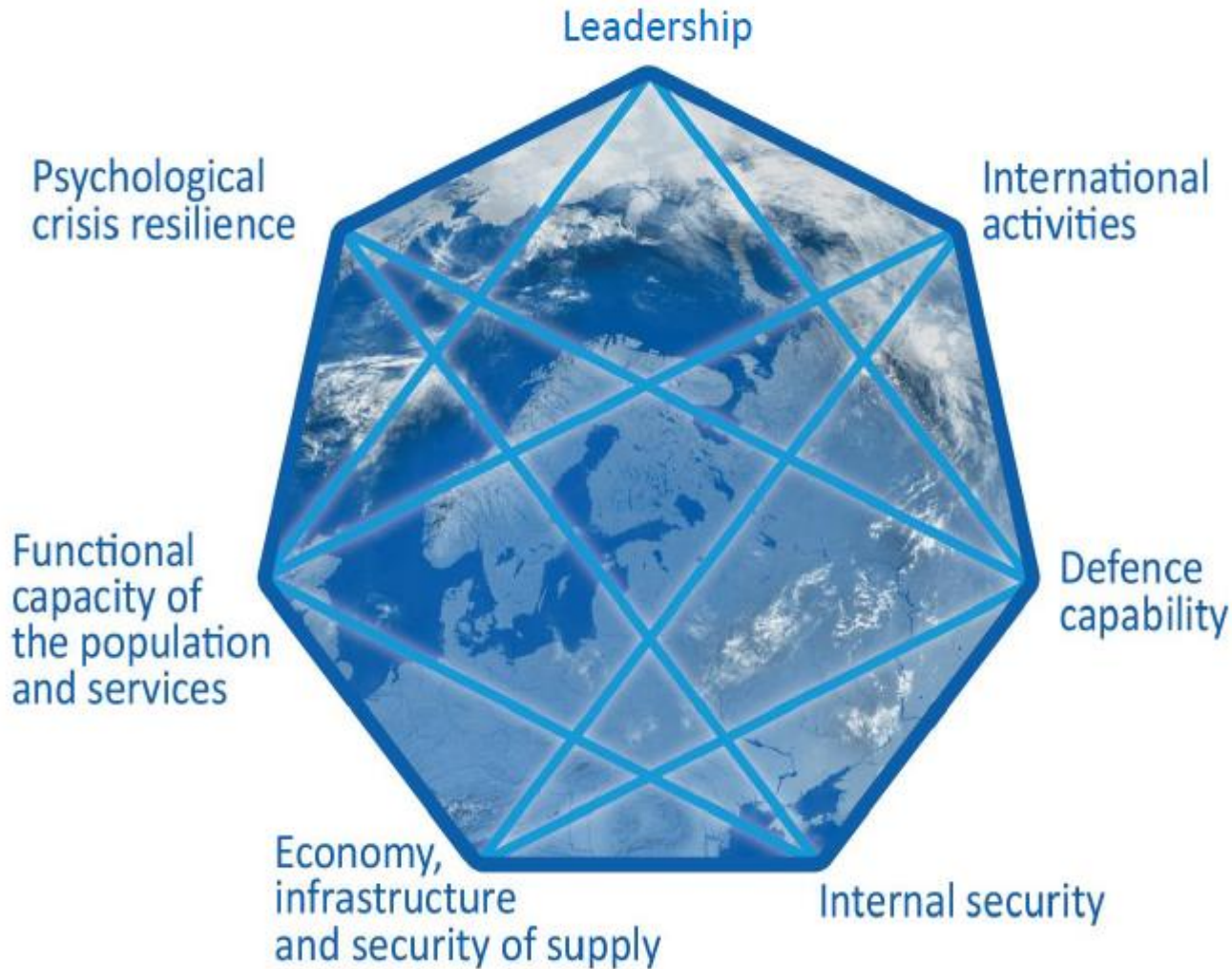
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# Finland's Security Strategy for Society (2017)





# Structures of Health Security in Finland

**Security Committee**



**Multi-sectoral Steering Group**  
Chaired by a member of the Security Committee

Preparedness Directors

Preparedness Secretaries

**Team of Contacts Health Security Coordination Group**

Centre for Biothreat Preparedness

Rescue Services

Police

Finnish Defense Forces

Zoonosis Centre

National knowledge Centre for serious chemical threats

Network of embassies

**Implementation by a network of ministries and agencies**

Finnish Border Guard

Radiation and Nuclear Safety Authority **STUK**

Food Safety Authority

National Institute for Health and Welfare

National Supervisory for Welfare and Health **Valvira**

Hospital districts

Finnish Transport Safety Agency **Trafi**

Finnish Customs



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# Whole of Society approach to health security capacity building

- Finland's WHO Joint External Evaluation JEE preparations were overseen by the Security Committee and coordinated by a Team of Contacts (3/2017)
- NAPHS integrated in the Security Strategy for Society (2017)
- Steering Group for Health Security established in August 2018, supports the implementation of the NAPHS and reports to the Security Committee, the operational Team of Contacts support the Steering Group
- Finland is committed to global health security capacity building, including by facilitating dialogue and sharing of experiences

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=>





# Strengthening Health and Biosecurity in Tanzania by Biodetection Capacity Building

- Finnish-Tanzanian bilateral collaboration on strengthening laboratory capacity and raising awareness in biosecurity and biosafety in Tanzania.
- Funded by the Ministry for Foreign Affairs (MFA), Finland, during 2014 – 2023
- Run by the Centres for Military Medicine and for Biothreat Preparedness, Finnish Defence Forces, and
- Tanzania Veterinary Laboratory Agency (TVLA), Ministry of Agriculture, Livestock and Fisheries
- One of Finland's contributions to the GHSA and BTWC





# Main objectives

- Building local capacity on detection of biothreat pathogens and diagnosis of infectious diseases
- Developing diagnostic systems based on local needs, suitable for field use
- Training and collaborating with experts and authorities
- Raising local knowledge and awareness in biosecurity and biosafety

