



Fragility and Violent Conflict

Helping to prevent violence and build stability



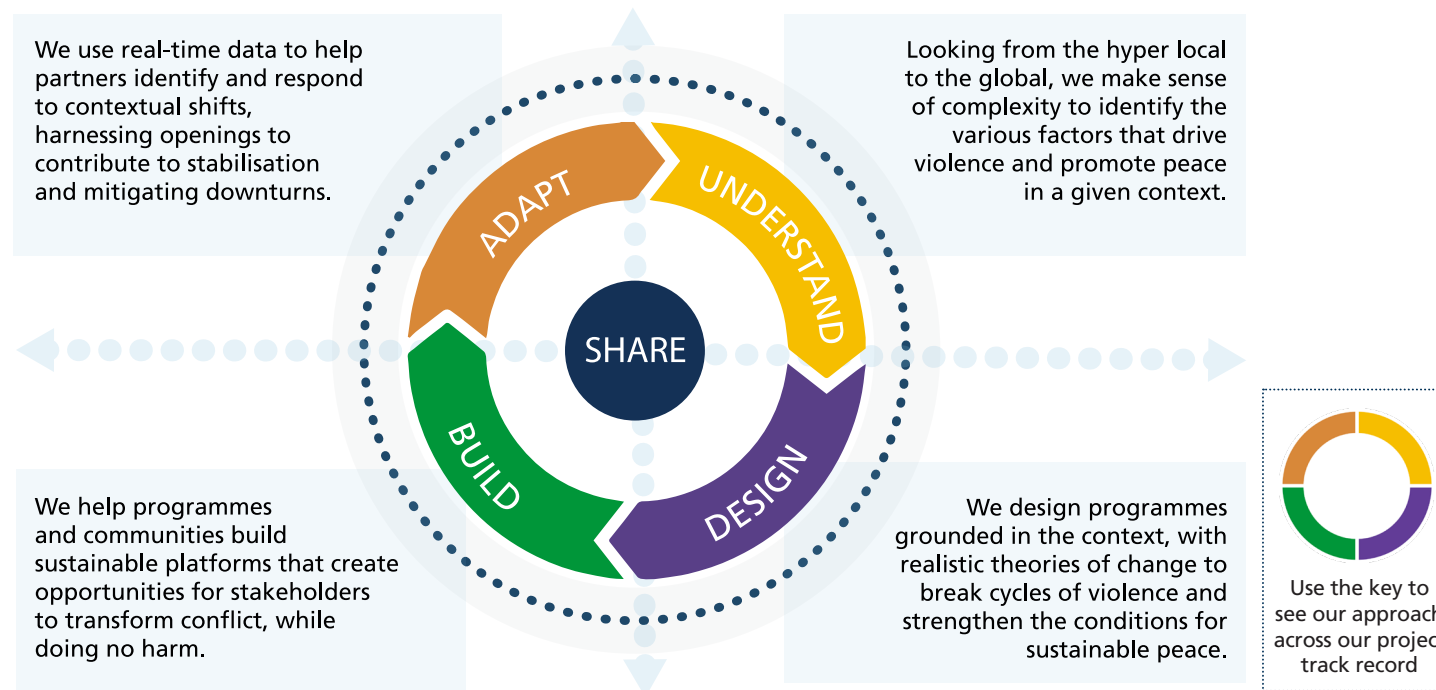
Integrity is an international consultancy and service provider. We work on complex and challenging issues around the globe. We offer ethically informed, expert and complementary services across a range of thematics and geographies.

Conflict is changing...

...and, with it, the requirements for supporting sustainable peace. Reducing and preventing violence is important, but alone it is insufficient.

We work collaboratively with partners and communities to prevent violence and transform conflict, fostering stability, prosperity and accountability.

The ability to address long-term development needs through ongoing engagement in fragile and conflict-affected situations is critical. Integrity combines research, advisory and management skills to support the needs of diverse stakeholders to contribute to sustainable peace.



Our approach to fragility and violent conflict work

Drawing on our experience in over 30 conflict-affected countries, our approach enables programmes to go from being conflict-sensitive to conflict-transformational. All programming in fragile contexts has the potential to influence the drivers of stability and conflict – whether positively or negatively, intentionally or unintentionally.

We adhere to the principle of Do No Harm. Whether delivering critical services such as education, or supporting humanitarian response, our work takes conflict sensitivity one step further. A rich toolbox of methods, approaches and lessons learnt enables us to provide clients and partners with contextually relevant solutions and an understanding of the complex systems in which they operate.

Our work helps ensure that programmes contribute positively to the conditions for long-term stability, peace, and development. We identify and work with actors on all aspects of the challenge and find safe and innovative ways to share lessons learnt with key stakeholders.

Our projects



Peacebuilding Evaluation, Analysis, Research, and Learning (PEARL)
USAID / Bureau for Conflict Prevention and Stabilization (CPS) / Center for Conflict and Violence Prevention (CVP) | Global | 2022 – 2026

MEL | Research, Evidence and Analysis | Data Analytics

We work with USAID/CVP to design innovative analytical services and learning opportunities for the agency's dynamic global peacebuilding and conflict prevention portfolio. This includes scalable violence and conflict assessments, technical assessments in key issue areas such as atrocity prevention, performance and impact evaluations, learning exchanges, context monitoring, and scenario planning support. We are leveraging our data science and GIS capabilities to augment our work with prediction and forecasting, natural language processing and text analysis, including social media and sentiment analysis, data engineering, analysis and visualization, remote sensing and satellite imagery analysis, and remote perception surveys and data collection.



Iraq Monitoring Project (IMP)
USAID Bureau for Humanitarian Assistance (BHA) | Iraq | 2022 – 2027

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Integrity delivers third-party monitoring (TPM) to support the USAID/BHA portfolio in Iraq. The IMP helps increase access to independent, impartial, and timely data for BHA and its Iraq partners. These data metrics, reports, and consolidated analytics help provide verified data to support BHA's real-time program adjustments and enhance future program design of BHA's humanitarian response in Iraq.

The IMP brings together Integrity's innovation and experience conducting extensive TPM, assessments, and evaluations in non-permissive environments with our partners' expertise in data collection and analysis in conflict environments. Early engagement set the stage for a transparent and open relationship with BHA's implementing partners, who are serving some of Iraq's most vulnerable populations with essential services. The trust built early on has influenced their openness to learning from TPM, which has allowed them to make important improvements in their own service delivery.

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Technical Assistance for Syria Essential Services II Activity and Building Resilient and Inclusive Communities in Conflict (BRICC) Task Order 1
Blumont | Syria | 2016–2025

MEL | Research, Evidence and Analysis | Data Analytics

Integrity supports Blumont’s USAID-funded Syria Essential Services Programme on a long-term basis, providing technical assistance and services related to research, MEL, reporting and communications. We deliver a range of conflict and political economy analyses, trainings, guidance documents, thematic reports, in-depth maps and studies, assessments and evaluations, based on primary and secondary data collection and analysis. Our MEL work provides independent, evidence-based assessments of programme outcomes and impacts, tracks progress and identifies actionable lessons learnt. Our research contributes to Blumont’s and USAID’s understanding of the broader operational context and includes deep dives on emerging issues relevant to Blumont’s technical delivery. Our products provide a strong evidence base grounded in the Syrian context, through which we develop actionable policy and implementation recommendations that ensure the programme remains flexible and adaptive.



Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning Support (MELS) Activity
USAID | South Sudan | 2021–2026

MEL | Research, Evidence and Analysis | Data Analytics | Advisory and adaptive management

Integrity leads the five-year MELS activity for USAID South Sudan, supporting the mission’s work with the South Sudanese people to advance their country’s development and stability, build resilience at the community level and help targeted areas move beyond a critical need for humanitarian aid and towards longer-term self-reliance and sustainable peace. We provide flexible, demand-driven technical, analytic and advisory support in order to strengthen collaboration, learning and adapting; promote institutional memory; produce monitoring, evaluation and learning products to improve programming; strengthen knowledge management and organisational learning, organisational effectiveness and operational efficiency; and strengthen data-driven decision making through the efficient use of geographic information systems and other innovative spatial analysis.

Our projects



Evaluation of the Better Assistance in Crisis (BASIC) Programme
FCDO | Global | 2020–2024

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Integrity is evaluating the FCDO's £20.5-million BASIC programme, which aims to help people in fragile and conflict-affected states cope better with crises by improving the use of social protection approaches. Our three-phase evaluation blends a theory- and case-based approach and employs a mix of quantitative and qualitative data collection and analysis methods, including in-country case studies in Jordan, Nigeria, Somalia and Yemen. We use contribution analysis to consider BASIC's relative contribution to its objectives and deliver non-technical reports, summaries and learning products and events to encourage evidence uptake and use.



Global Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning (GMEL) Partnership
FCDO | Global | 2019–2024

MEL | Research, Evidence and Analysis | Data Analytics | Advisory and adaptive management

Integrity leads the GMEL Partnership for the UK's £1.3-billion cross-government UK Integrated Security Fund (UKISF) portfolio, which has broad geographic and thematic reach through over 90 programmes in more than 80 countries and territories. GMEL supports the development of a stronger, more agile and sustainable 'ecosystem' of MEL systems and structures, as well as their application in evidence-informed strategic decision making at a Fund level. GMEL supports programmes that range from dealing with national security, conflict prevention and peacekeeping, serious organised crime, counter terrorism, stabilisation, gender, peace and security in fragile contexts, many of which are also vulnerable to climate change as both a driver and a consequence of conflict and instability. Integrity draws on its extensive experience of complex, multi-country portfolios in fragile and conflict-affected states, deploying a multidisciplinary team of MEL practitioners, data scientists, change managers and learning facilitators to work collaboratively across disciplines with UKISF stakeholders.

Our projects



Third-Party Monitoring of the Afghanistan Reconstruction Trust Fund (ARTF) – Phase III
World Bank | Afghanistan | 2020–2024

MEL | Data Analytics

Integrity, with partners, provides the TPM services to the 18-year, \$12.3-billion multi-donor ARTF. Administered by the World Bank, ARTF supports the government of the Islamic Republic of Afghanistan's poverty reduction, service delivery and inclusive growth efforts. Integrity leads the Monitoring and Evaluation Analysis and Reporting Team and Digital Platform Unit to assist with TPM for 44 projects funded through the ARTF. Working with a local partner, prior to the Taliban takeover we conducted physical monitoring through over 8,000 site visits each year across 32 projects and all 34 provinces. Integrity also leads the Digital Platform Unit for all programme data, analysis and reporting for the Fund, supporting over 450 regular users. Following the change of regime, Integrity shifted its work to support the World Bank task teams in the development, implementation and monitoring of new projects; helped safeguard ARTF investments, ensuring continued development impact through integrated oversight; and supported project closure of the financial and physical monitoring of former ARTF projects.



Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning of the Multi-Year Humanitarian Programme (MYHP)
FCDO | Pakistan | 2021–2022

MEL | Research, Evidence and Analysis | Data Analytics

Integrity provided TPM and evaluation services to the FCDO's MYHP in Pakistan, an 8-year, £120-million programme that aimed to reduce the impact of natural and conflict-related humanitarian disasters in Pakistan. Our independent MEL services supported cross-programme accountability and learning through TPM and a theory-based impact evaluation. We monitored and verified ongoing activities in the MYHP extension that supported refugees and asylum seekers from Afghanistan and their host communities. Our TPM analysis and interactive dashboard ensured that the FCDO and its implementing partners had oversight of implementation quality, enabling necessary course corrections. The evaluation covered early recovery initiatives, cash-based approaches and the subnational COVID-19 response. It assessed the MYHP's impacts on community recovery, resilience, preparedness and social cohesion, as well as the political economy of the Pakistan humanitarian context.

Our projects



Independent Monitoring, Research and Evidence Facility (IMREF) of the Safety Support and Solutions II (SSS II) Programme

FCDO | North/West Africa: Libya, Algeria, Egypt, Morocco | 2019–2021

MEL | Research, Evidence and Analysis | Advisory and adaptive management

This flagship humanitarian migration programme in North and West Africa aimed to make migration safer in 14 countries along the central Mediterranean route. Integrity led a consortium of four partners to deliver a multi-workstream programme that built accountability and facilitated learning across the complex and sensitive SSS II programme. We conducted verification visits of remote implementation sites in Mali and Libya, which were inaccessible to the FCDO and many key implementing partner staff. We coordinated research approaches that interrogated the programme's route-based approach strategy, as well as the targeting and access vulnerabilities along the central Mediterranean route. Integrity also led annual workshops and quarterly updates, as well as a capacity building component that improved the quality and relevance of implementing partners' MEL systems.



Learning and Monitoring Programme Somalia (LAMPS)

FCDO | Somalia | 2016–2020

MEL | Risk management | Data Analytics | Advisory and adaptive management

Integrity provided TPM and monitoring and evaluation technical assistance to improve FCDO Somalia's understanding of operational and fiduciary risk, and to support better evidencing and reporting of results across the FCDO's governance, economic development, health, humanitarian and resilience portfolio. Under LAMPS, Integrity conducted a range of financial reviews, helped manage risks and delivered 200 monitoring/verification visits annually across Somaliland, Puntland and South-Central Somalia, collecting primary data through our cross-country team of over 35 enumerators and field managers. We provided the FCDO and its implementing partners with credible data for effective decision making, identifying best practices, lessons learnt and recommendations. We developed a secure, bespoke online data platform, 'Aqoonta,' to share our data and analysis from across the portfolio, catalysing learning and action from evidence.



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