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## Inaugurat on of the Academy on Behavioural Insights to prevent and counter violent extremism

Doha, State of Qatar, 8 May 2023 – The Behavioural Insights Academy (BI Academy) training course was inaugurated in Doha today by the Internat onal Hub on Behavioural Insights of the United Nations Of ice of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT BI Hub), in partnership with Qatar's Hamad Bin Khalifa University (HBKU).

The new BI Hub's flagship academy programme is the first of its kind to feature capacity-building in behavioural insights tailored for the international community of practice in preventing and countering violent extremism (PCVE). More than 50 PCVE practitioners, and representatives from civil society, governmental institutions, and United Nations entities gathered in Doha for the training course.

At the opening session, Mr. Muhammad Rafiuddin Shah, Chief of UNOCT's Policy, Knowledge