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# **Improvised Explosive Devices: Connecting Actors for Solutions**

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# UNIDIR's Approach to Addressing the Threat of IEDs

Mandated by **the UN General Assembly**

To undertake **research in preventative strategies** against IEDs

To develop **voluntary self-assessment tool** to assist States in identifying gaps and challenges in **prevention and preparedness**

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**IEDs** pose a **global threat** and challenge.  
A **comprehensive approach** is essential  
to address the evolving threat of IEDs.



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**Key message 1:**

**Pursue **Whole-of-Government and Sector engagement** to identify and address risks of acquisition, fabrication and deployment**



# Possible Information-Exchange Force Multiplier Points for Prevention



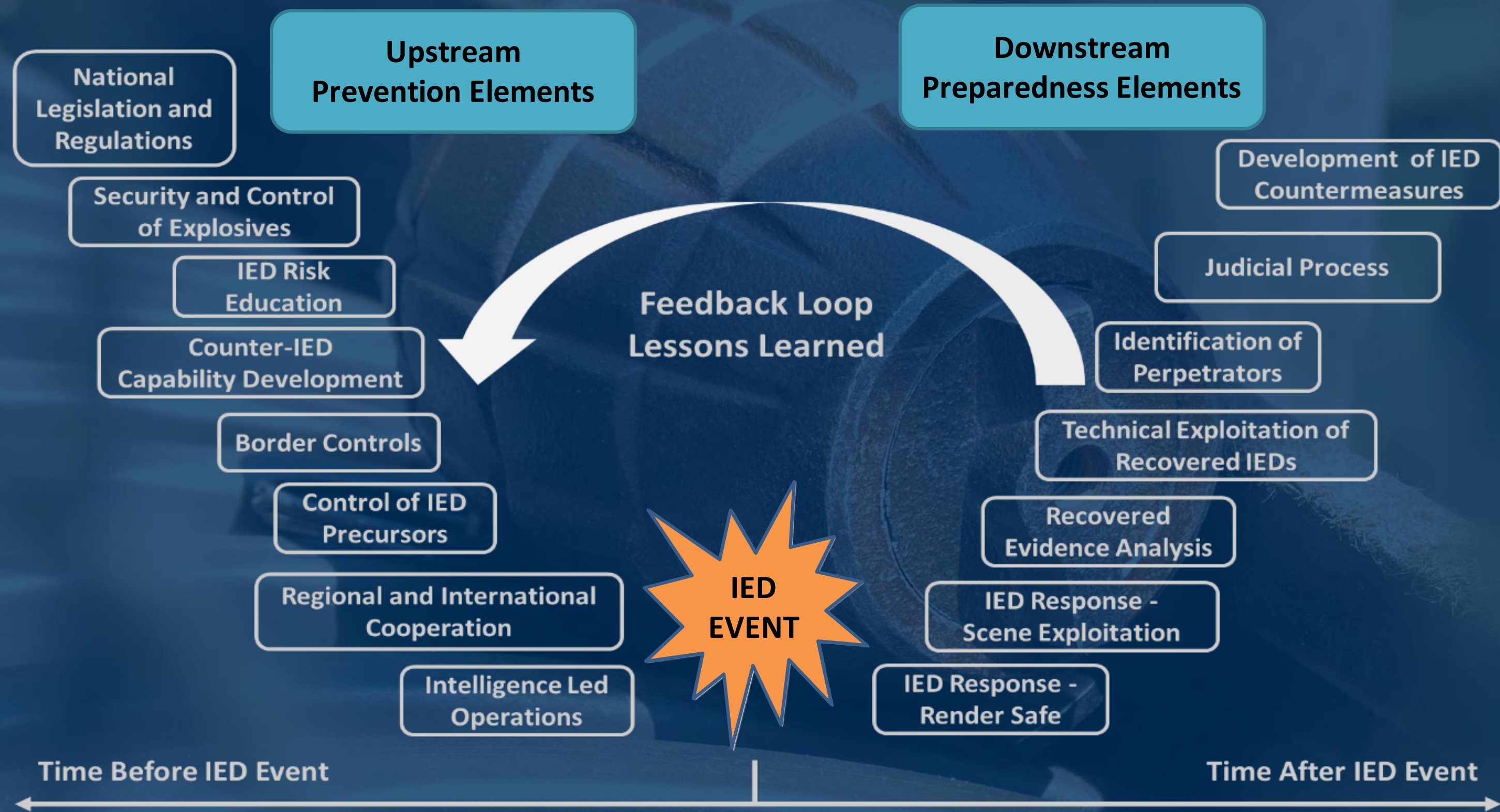
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**Key message 2:**

**Undertake national multi-stakeholder capability assessment** to develop, maintain and improve **prevention and preparedness** against IEDs



# Whole-of-Government & Sector Assessment



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Key message 3:

A **practical tool** for States to **self-assess** prevention and preparedness against IEDs to be released in **June 2020**



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## UNIDIR Self-Assessment Tool for States

- Establish **baseline of capabilities** across prevention and preparedness
- Indicate **critical capability gaps** and areas which need to be addressed to enable organisational improvement
- Frame of reference for **assessing maturity and progress**
- **Inform prioritization** in strategy
- Facilitate **cooperation and assistance** for national capacity building
- **Institutional learning at national level**: Allow the experience and lessons learned to be documented and discussed over time



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