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## The COLIBRI Project Geoportal arrives in Latin America and the Caribbean



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Law enforcement agencies in Latin America will be able to benefit from a new mapping tool for strengthening general aviation surveillance.

Under the COLIBRI Project, implemented by the WCO and funded by the European Union (EU), IT tools for secure real-time communication (CENcomm) and mapping (Geoportal) have been developed in order to strengthen the operational capacities of the administrations responsible for general aviation (GA) control. With the support of the WCO Regional Intelligence Liaison Offices (RILOs) in the Caribbean and South America, these tools should enable administrations to improve their cooperation and coordination of controls in the general aviation sector.

From 16 to 20 May 2022, 30 specialist law enforcement officers from Colombia, the Dominican Republic and Peru, gathered in Bogotá, Colombia, for a train-the-trainers course on the Geoportal and CENcomm. They explored the features of the Geoportal, which combines, on the same platform, access to operational information collected in the field with tools for data visualization and cartographic analysis, and a system of cross-referencing the information with open-source data, as well as the provision of assistance in the preparation of controls.

During the opening ceremony of the training, Colonel John Chavarro from the Drug Enforcement Directorate (DIRAN) of the Colombian National Police; Major Ernesto Andrés Granados González from the Intelligence Directorate (DIPOL) of the Colombian National Police; and Captain Liliana Bastidas Rodríguez from the