Several incidents of illicit trafficking of nuclear materials have been reported in the last decade, mostly in the FSU. Ukraine is potentially a key pathway for such trafficking and Canada's contribution to help secure Ukraine's borders, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Energy, provides urgently needed upgrades. In December 2008, the GPP helped to inaugurate the opening of the Canadian-funded radiation detection system at Kyiv's Boryspil International Airport.



Official opening of Canadian-funded radiation detection system in Kyiv's Boryspil International Airport, December 2008.

International Atomic Energy Agency

Canada continued to monitor a variety of projects funded through contributions totalling \$12 million to the IAEA's Nuclear Security Fund. These projects, which work to strengthen nuclear security in countries of the FSU, include the recovery of radiological sources and the provision of critical security upgrades, as well as the enhancement of long-term sustainability measures in Russia such as the physical protection training centre in Obninsk.

Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism

Canada remained an active player in the Global Initiative to Combat Nuclear Terrorism (GICNT). In 2007 and 2008, the Global Partnership Director General led the Canadian delegation to the plenary GICNT meetings and the teams took an active part in GICNT activities aimed at preventing nuclear terrorism. In 2008, the GPP successfully hosted GICNT Conference in Ottawa on the security of radioactive sources.



Canadian-funded radiation detection equipment at Kyiv's Boryspil International Airport.



Troy Lulashnyk, Director General of the GPP, at the 2008 GICNT conference in Ottawa.