

## Further information available at:

<http://www.auswaertiges-amt.de>

<http://www.eda.admin.ch>

<http://www.bmeia.gv.at>

<http://www.travel.state.gov>

<http://www.fco.gov.uk>

<http://www.smarttraveller.gov.au>

<http://www.dihk.de>

<http://www.ahk.de>

<http://www.gtai.de>

<http://www.swp-berlin.org>

## Your contacts

[www.verfassungsschutz.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz-bw.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz-bw.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz.bayern.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.bayern.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz-berlin.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz-berlin.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz.brandenburg.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.brandenburg.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz.bremen.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.bremen.de)

[www.hamburg.de/verfassungsschutz](http://www.hamburg.de/verfassungsschutz)

[www.verfassungsschutz.hessen.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.hessen.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz-mv.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz-mv.de)

[www.verfassungsschutz.niedersachsen.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.niedersachsen.de)

[www.mik.nrw.de/verfassungsschutz](http://www.mik.nrw.de/verfassungsschutz)

[www.verfassungsschutz.rlp.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.rlp.de)

[www.saarland.de/verfassungsschutz.htm](http://www.saarland.de/verfassungsschutz.htm)

[www.verfassungsschutz.sachsen.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.sachsen.de)

[www.mi.sachsen-anhalt.de/verfassungsschutz](http://www.mi.sachsen-anhalt.de/verfassungsschutz)

[www.verfassungsschutz.schleswig-holstein.de](http://www.verfassungsschutz.schleswig-holstein.de)

[www.thueringen.de/de/verfassungsschutz](http://www.thueringen.de/de/verfassungsschutz)

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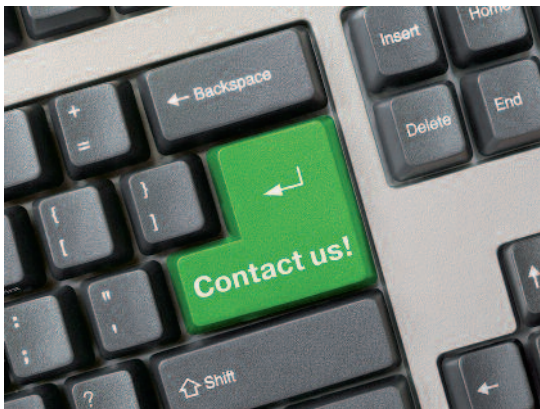
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for confidential sensitisation talks.**



**Business trips  
—  
Take care of your  
know-how!**

## Travelling on business

Tapping into new markets provides a whole lot of economic opportunities to companies. However, numerous security risks go hand in hand with these opportunities. As the adage goes: Different countries – different customs.



### When travelling on business, keep the following in mind:

The prevailing legal situation in the host country may significantly differ from your German sense of right and wrong. Are you e.g. allowed to import an encrypted USB flash drive into the country of destination, or are there any restrictions on taking pictures?

A poor command of the national language may further aggravate the situation.

Moreover, foreign intelligence services benefit from a “home advantage” when acting on their own territory.

Their acting is often based on extensive powers which lie beyond our perception of law and order:

- Total surveillance of the Internet and of telecommunications, as well as of postal services
- Clandestine and purposeful searches of hotel rooms and baggage
- Manipulation of mobile devices and data carriers
- Creation of compromising situations
- Arbitrary repressive measures by the state

A bogus traffic accident could jeopardise your departure. Contacts to oppositionists may make you susceptible to blackmail.

The kind request to copy a presentation from your notebook to another individual’s USB flash drive may end with a Trojan.



## Recommendations

- Carry out research regarding the threat and security situation prior to the trip
- Take contact details with you for cases of emergency (embassies, consulates, etc.)
- Observe legal regulations (visa, import and export requirements)
- Be cautious in case of conspicuous attempts to make contact (airports, restaurants, hotel bars, ...)
- Be vigilant when dealing with service providers (interpreters, travel guides, hotel staff)
- Be cautious when it comes to political topics
- Use “naked” notebooks and smart phones for journeys
- Do not give sensitive information away; the hotel room and the hotel safe are not secure
- Use – authorised – encryption products
- Reduce confidential communication to the essential minimum
- Check your mobile information and communication devices for malware after your return
- Be careful with presents!  
Do not connect digital photo frames, USB flash drives, DVDs, etc. to any network without having checked them
- Evaluate the trip with regard to any possible conspicuous incidents
- In case of any incidents: Please contact the Offices for the Protection of the Constitution