

**Short bio:**

Mr. Vugar Allahverdiyev assumed his role as Programme Manager with the UN Office of Counter-Terrorism (UNOCT) in the Philippines in March 2023. During his assignment in Manila, Vugar supported operationalization of several Passenger Information Units (PIU) across the region powered by the United Nations 'goTravel' solution. Prior to this assignment, Vugar served as Programme Management Officer with UNOCT based in Budapest, where he was responsible for coordinating API and PNR implementation with a focus on broader Eastern European, Southern and West African regions.

Between 2014- 2021, Vugar helped set up the current United Nations Office of Youth at the UN Headquarters in New York responsible for youth and preventing violent extremism agenda. He started his career at the United Nations Development Programme in his home country (Azerbaijan) in 2006. He holds a Master's degree in International Relations from Central European University, currently based in Vienna, Austria.