



ATTENTION

It was noted in your grant application / research contract that international travel may be involved outside of the US, Canada and the EU. The Canadian Government has published travel advice regarding data security for Mobile Devices (<https://cyber.gc.ca/en/guidance/mobile-devices-and-business-travellers/sap00087>), and have provided a list of countries categorized as "high risk" (<https://travel.gc.ca/travelling/advisories>) where additional non-IT related precautions may need to be taken. Some of the recommendations for countries outside the USA and EU may include and are not limited to

1. Not bringing any work laptop, work cellphone, personal computing equipment or personal cellphone on the journey or minimizing the data on these devices by removing unnecessary accounts, e.g. social media accounts
2. Obtaining temporary computing devices and cell phones specifically configured for travel that can be used on your trip, and not storing any data on these devices
3. Only bringing the necessary data you need in an encrypted and password protected manner (note that some encryption is prohibited from crossing international borders)
4. Disabling Wi-Fi, Bluetooth, etc on all your devices
5. Using UVic's VPN software at all times while online (note that some countries may prohibit or block the use of VPN services)
6. Not using any public WiFi networks (including airports)
7. Not using any public charging stations for your device (bring your own power adaptors)
8. Only use hotel WiFi networks for non-sensitive information
9. Change your account passwords (e.g. NetID password) upon your return to campus.

In many countries you must assume that all communications transmitted over public carriers are at risk of being intercepted, that hotel internet connections, photocopies and fax machines are not secure and that all data on your device may be accessed any time it is not in your possession. See International Travel and Data security information:

<https://www.uvic.ca/systems/support/informationsecurity/datasecurity/internationaltravel.php>

If you require assistance in applying any of these precautions, please contact your IT support contact well in advance of your travel. Also you are encouraged to sign up for UVic's International SOS travel planning service. Here you can register your trip to obtain critical travel