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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear fellow prosecutors,

As we move along a new year, I find myself filled with gratitude for your commitment to the IAP and its Standards, which has undoubtedly contributed to our Association's boosting vitality. As you flip through our annual report (which will be published later this year), it's clear that

2023 was packed with activities and achievements that wouldn't have been possible without your involvement. That said, 2024 promises to be a highly eventful year for our global community of prosecutors, as the IAP continues to go along this path of institutional growth.

The Secretariat has been working round-the-clock on our new website and the Prosecutor's International Co-operation Platform (PICP), which will be launched in no time. These initiatives will greatly improve how we work together and share information and will ultimately expedite international cooperation. The new website will improve the way we present the IAP to the world, while allowing members to be up to date with the Association's latest news and facilitating access to relevant information. In turn, the PICP will enable prosecutors from around the world to exchange real-time messaging, as well as serve as a platform for identifying experts in various fields.

Among the highlights of this year is the 29th Annual Conference and General Meeting, which will take place in Baku, Azerbaijan from September 29 to October 2. This event promises to be an unmatched opportunity for both professional development and international cooperation. Annual and Regional Conferences represent a perfect occasion for us to come together, share knowledge, reinforce our commitment to prosecutorial standards and, why not, be among friends. I encourage you to check the calendar for upcoming events and sincerely hope you can join us this year in Baku. You won't regret it!



On this note, let me remind you about the IAP Granting Programme, which year after year has proven to be an effective tool to provide eligible prosecutors with the support and resources needed to attend the IAP Annual Conference. With the nomination deadline on April 20, there's still time for candidates, who are making significant contributions to the prosecution community, to apply. Please keep it in mind and check the Granting Programme Protocol on our website for more information.

This year also marks the 25th anniversary of the IAP Standards. Adopted in 1999, they have played an important role in guiding prosecutors around the world to meet the highest levels of integrity and professionalism. As we celebrate this milestone, we're reminded that while upholding our Standards is essential, so is our commitment to innovation. The crime landscape is constantly evolving, and our strategies must be forged accordingly. Initiatives such as the PICP show our commitment to adapting and remaining at the forefront of international cooperation and effective prosecution.

In this spirit, the articles featured in this newsletter delve into various approaches and strategies to fight crime effectively. These analyses are most enriching, as they provide us with fresh perspectives and creative tactics for asset freezing, and other tools for tackling corruption. I hope you'll find this edition very interesting.

Until the next issue!

Warm regards,



Juan Bautista Mahiques

IAP President

SECRETARY-GENERAL'S EDITORIAL

Dear members of the IAP,

In our latest newsletter our previous Secretary General said goodbye after almost eight years in office. We owe him many thanks for his energy and commitment taking the IAP through difficult Coronatimes. Since the beginning of this year I am honoured to take over his position and it only seems logical to begin this editorial with a little introduction of myself.



For the last decade I have been working as a Senior Advocate General at the level of the Court of Appeal in the Netherlands. Some of you might have seen me on previous conferences which I attended as Vice President of the Dutch Association for the Judiciary. During the London meeting of the Executive Committee in September 2023 I was appointed as your new Secretary General per 2024. I am very grateful that the Dutch Public Prosecution Service made it possible for me to spend 50% of my time to the IAP. This means of course also that I will still be doing criminal cases for the other half of my time.

Meeting colleagues from so many different jurisdictions, cultures and nationalities is very exciting and inspiring, but it also helps you to ask yourself questions about the way you are used to work and to think about other systems and processes. And furthermore, not unimportantly, the large international network also means that you can be of help to colleagues all over the world and helps to make the lines of communication very short when you need help or background information yourself in matters that have an international component.

Since the beginning of January, our office in The Hague has largely been my new workplace, but working for the IAP also involves a lot of travel. With the help of my tireless and experienced colleagues from the office I am quickly informed of all the projects that are underway and the challenges that the IAP is facing.

When I look ahead to what awaits us in 2024 and beyond, it promises to be a wonderful time for the IAP and its members. For 2024, I am very much looking forward to the Annual Conference in Baku, Azerbaijan. The Local Organizing Committee and IAP-staff are working hard to put together a special program and to record appealing speakers. Without a doubt, this will be a wonderful conference and a great opportunity to meet colleagues from all over the world. You can read more in this newsletter.

In addition, we are busy with the final preparations for the launch of our new and improved website. Not only will our website be more accessible, but we are also proud to soon be able to launch the PICP network. In addition to collecting business cards and exchanging telephone numbers at conferences, PICP will make it easier to reach out directly to relevant specialists or departments in the various countries via this network. This newsletter will tell you more about it.

Because organizing our large Annual Conferences requires a long preparation, in February we also paid a first visit to the conference location for 2025, Singapore. There, too, an enthusiastic team is ready to ensure that this conference will proudly fit in with the line of our previous conferences.

In the mean time, please join one of our webinars! They are free of charge and open to all individual members and prosecutors from organisational members. Every few weeks we have a new webinars on a broad range of topics. Another reason to share this newsletter within your organisation and to make your colleagues enthusiastic to participate in the global community of the IAP.

Kind regards



Roel Dona
IAP Secretary-General

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A STEP IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION: CANADA'S FIRST DEFERRED PROSECUTION AGREEMENT IN A FOREIGN CORRUPTION CASE

By Stéphane Hould, Senior Counsel, Public Prosecution Service of Canada, Headquarters

An article providing an operational example of how a deferred prosecution agreement can be used as an effective tool to resolve serious economic crimes cases at an early stage. The article considers principles relating to deference, victim compensation, and the merits of such an agreement.

THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION IN NIGERIA AS SEEN THROUGH THE EYES OF A PROSECUTOR

By Enobong Essien, CFE, Prosecutor, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, Nigeria

The article explores the nature of corruption in Nigeria and some of the challenges faced in Nigeria in the prosecution of corruption cases, including evidential weaknesses, legal lacuna and delays in the legal system.

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THE ROLE OF THE JUDICIARY CONFRONTING CORRUPTION

By Diego S. Luciani, General Prosecutor at the Federal Oral Courts in and for the City of Buenos Aires, Argentina

Through an analysis of the extent of public corruption in Argentina, the article advocates for the genuine strengthening of the institutions that confront corruption as an essential element in achieving progress.

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GOOD PRACTICES AT INVESTIGATING AND PROSECUTING CORRUPTION CASES IN THE REPUBLIC OF BULGARIA

By Teodora Todorova, prosecutor, Sofia Regional Prosecutor's Office, Republic of Bulgaria

The article outlines good practices when engaging with cooperative witnesses in the investigation and prosecution of corruption offences in Bulgaria to ensure that their evidence is admissible.



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STRATEGIES FOR PURSUING ADMINISTRATIVE CORRUPTION CASES FROM THE PERSPECTIVE OF A PROSECUTOR

By Bashir Ahmad Khatir, prosecutor, Attorney General's Office of Afghanistan

The article examines strategies including prioritisation, evidence collection and collaboration with other institutions in order to successfully pursue corruption prosecutions.

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ANTI-CORRUPTION - SERVING THE STATUS QUO?

By Patrick Stevens, Rule of Law Director, International Justice Development

The article provides an analysis of some of the challenges of prosecuting corruption cases, and identifies key elements that are required to create an environment when corruption can be tackled successfully.



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THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, AS IMPORTANT AS THAT IN THE PUBLIC SECTOR

By Adnand Xholi, Deputy Head of the Special Prosecution Office against Corruption and Organised Crime, and Ylli Pjeternikaj, Prosecution Office at the First Instance Court of Tirana.

The article advocates the need for specialised structures in order to effectively investigate and prosecute private sector corruption.

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PICP AND THE NEW IAP WEBSITE

The IAP Secretariat have been working on the design and development of a new IAP website over recent months. The website will be more accessible for IAP members, and will have increased functionality to improve your user experience. The website will include a library of written resources and designated pages for each of the IAP Specialist Networks. It will also include your own Members Section, where you can manage all aspects of your membership. The website will be regularly updated with IAP news, including details about forthcoming conferences, webinars, and other Global Training Academy events. We are in the final stages of testing and will announce the launch date as soon as possible.

A significant part of the new website is PICP, the Prosecutors' International Cooperation Platform. One of the main barriers to international cooperation is a lack of knowledge of who to contact in a specific jurisdiction when assistance is needed from them, and the lack of a means to easily establish the requirements for making an informal or formal request for assistance to another country. PICP aims to tackle this challenge as part of the wider drive to enhance the operational effectiveness of the IAP.

PICP will provide a contact database for individual members and prosecuting services. Users of PICP will be able to identify contact points in other jurisdictions with ease, and will be able to communicate in real time via their computer or mobile phone, sending messages and participating in forums. Prosecuting authorities will be invited to register Specialist Contact Persons – prosecutors within their organisation – in relation to a range of specialisms and in relation to the IAP Specialist Networks. They will also be required to register Specialist Contact Persons for MLA, extradition and asset recovery. All individual members can set up a membership profile listing their specialisms, providing a database for users to reach out directly to international partners to progress casework. PICP will therefore create directories of specialist prosecutors in a large number of fields. PICP is primarily a tool to enable members to identify the right person in another organisation to contact, to facilitate that first contact, to progress general enquiries and to establish relationships to progress international casework and other matters of mutual interest.

We strongly encourage all IAP prosecuting authorities and individual members to register their details and specialisms / Specialist Contact Persons on PICP as soon as possible. The success of PICP relies entirely on members uploading their details and keeping them up-to-date and so, in order to make PICP an effective and useful tool for all members, we would be very grateful for your full support in populating the database and in ensuring that the details remain current.





THE 29TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE AND GENERAL MEETING OF THE IAP, BAKU, AZERBAIJAN

The 29th Annual Conference and General Meeting of the IAP will take place in Baku, Azerbaijan, from 29 September - 02 October 2024. The conference will be co-hosted by the Prosecutor General's Office of Azerbaijan.

The theme of the 29th Annual Conference is **The Role of the Prosecutor in Upholding the Rule of Law**. Criminal justice systems vary considerably from one country to another, but are all underpinned by the need for the fair, impartial and effective administration of justice. The functions of public prosecutors impact on all of those who are involved in a criminal matter, including suspects, defendants, witnesses and victims. Prosecutors must make their decisions independently and carry out their functions objectively, respecting and protecting human rights, and ensuring that the criminal justice system functions in a proper manner. As the crime threats that we face continue to evolve and the complexity of crime increases, prosecutors must ensure that, at every stage in the criminal process, they are upholding the rule of law and acting in the interests of justice.

Against that backdrop, the conference will explore how prosecutors can best ensure that there is procedural equality between the prosecution and defence, and will consider the role that prosecution authorities play as one of the main pillars of an independent criminal justice system. The conference will consider ways in which victims and witnesses can be better served by the criminal justice system to ensure that they are able to give their best evidence, both through specific initiatives and greater collaboration between criminal justice stakeholders. It will examine challenges and responses to the growth in cybercrime and the use of artificial intelligence, carefully considering how prosecutors can ensure transparency and accountability, and will also seek to identify more effective methods of international cooperation to tackle this transnational criminal activity.

Many of the conference themes are mirrored in the IAP Standards of Professional Responsibility and Statement of the Essential Duties and Rights of Prosecutors, which celebrate their 25th anniversary this year.

The Standards – which are as resonant for prosecutors now as they were when they were first issued – will frame the conference discussions and will provide a benchmark for the conduct, roles and responsibilities of prosecutors in upholding the rule of law. Hearing insights from across the globe, we will explore how we can collectively work together to prevent, tackle and combat terrorism, organised crime, and other serious criminal activity.

The plenary and workshop themes are:

- Plenary 1:** National approaches to balancing the three main pillars of an independent criminal justice system - Challenges and responses
- Workshop 1A:** The role of the prosecutor in ensuring procedural equality between prosecution and defence
- Workshop 1B:** The role of the prosecutor in the sentencing process.
- Plenary 2:** Victims and witnesses within the criminal justice system
- Workshop 2A:** Collaboration between stakeholders to ensure the rights of victims in the criminal justice system
- Workshop 2B:** Transparency and public confidence in the criminal justice system
- Plenary 3:** The role of the prosecutor in upholding the rule of law in the digital age - Challenges and responses
- Workshop 3A:** Ensuring transparency, accountability and data protection in the framework of digital evidence and AI usage
- Workshop 3B:** The importance of international cooperation in prosecuting cybercrime

View the conference website:

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CALL FOR SPEAKERS - OPEN

The Call for Speakers for the 29th Annual Conference and General Meeting of the IAP in Baku, Azerbaijan, is now open. If you are interested in submitting an abstract for consideration as a speaker at the conference, please submit it to iapspeakers@iap-association.org. All proposals must contain:

- i. Name and full job title/role
- ii. Title of the proposed presentation
- iii. Short description of the content of the proposed presentation - no more than 400 words
- iv. Language in which the presentation will be delivered.

All proposals must be submitted in English. Simultaneous translation into French, Spanish, Russian, Arabic and Chinese will be available for all plenary sessions and sessions that take place in the main conference hall. Presentations should last for no longer than 15 minutes.

Abstracts must be sent to iapspeakers@iap-association.org. The deadline for the submission of abstracts is **FRIDAY 10 MAY 2024**.

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A SEVERE RISK FOR FALLING IN LOVE!!

The preparations for the 29th Annual Conference and General Meeting are in full swing, and mid March I met with the Local Organising Committee in Baku to run through the many details and aspects of the logistical preparations of the Conference. Clearly the preparation of this year's annual conference is left in some very capable hand and the LOC is now looking forward to the next, more tangible phase of the preparations, being to launch the conference website and to open for online registrations.

This was my 16th visit to Baku and Azerbaijan, and like the many other visits, I left Baku overwhelmingly enthusiastic, full of great memories, a full stomach, and a suitcase full of local spices, delicacies, and a fantastic cognac.

I strongly advise members to use this unique opportunity to visit Azerbaijan, a modern land of fire! Baku is a very vibrant city, and it can best be described as a wonderful mix of Paris, Istanbul, and Dubai. I can confidently say Baku is a safe city, where I always feel architecture differs enormously from the rest of the modern city. The old city dates to the 6th century and it gives you an idea of the incredible cultural history in this region. My favourite spot is the Maiden Tower, from which you after ascending via some insanely high stairs, get the greatest view of the Old City and the fascinating Flame Towers.

During many of my visits to Azerbaijan, I often visited various regions. During this visit I visited Nakhchivan Autonomous Republic, which is in the southwest of Azerbaijan, where I met with the local Chief Prosecutor and made a presentation to a group of young prosecutors, who were all recruited as individual members.

I would love to be able sharing "my Azerbaijan" with all, and so it is with great pleasure that I can announce, that the Prosecutor General of the Republic of Azerbaijan Kamran Aliyev very generously have decided to arrange a two-days trip to one of the following regions Sheki, Guba, Qabala and Ganja immediately after the conference (3 – 4 October). The seats will distributed on a first-come first-served basis, so please take my advice to register as early as possible to not miss this grand chance to experience more of the beautiful landscape, culture and culinary offerings, which might easily make you fall in love with the country and its people, as I did already 13 years ago.

See you in Baku in September.

Janne Holst Hübner
Executive Director of IAP





CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

In accordance with Article 8.6A of the IAP Constitution, nominations for election as an ordinary member of the Executive Committee may be made by not less than five organisational members or by not less than ten individual members coming from four or more different countries. No member may nominate more than one candidate. Please note that any nomination must be notified to the Secretary-General in writing by **Friday 05 July 2024** at the latest.

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TERMINATION OF MOU WITH AIPPF

On 02 October 2023, the IAP terminated the Memorandum of Understanding between the IAP and the Association Internationale Des Procureurs et Poursuivants Francophones (AIPPF), effective from 31 December 2023.



GRANTING PROGRAMME 2024: APPLICATIONS OPEN

The Granting Programme supports suitably experienced representatives of prosecution services and associations of prosecutors from low-and middle-income countries to attend the IAP Annual Conference.

Applications are now open for the IAP Granting Programme 2024 to support attendance at the 29th Annual Conference and General Meeting in Baku, Azerbaijan. Attendance at an annual conference enables prosecutors to share their experiences, expertise and best practice, and to network with fellow prosecutors from around the world.

The criteria for applications is set out the IAP Protocol for the Granting Programme.

Applications must be submitted by **20 April 2024**.

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THE GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE IAP ATTENDED THE EGMONT WORKING AND REGIONAL GROUP MEETING

The IAP General Counsel attended the Egmont Working and Regional Group Meetings in St Julian's, Malta, in January 2024. The IAP were granted observer status of the Egmont Group of Financial Intelligence Units in September 2023. She participated in the Technical Assistance and Training Working Group, giving a full presentation on the objectives of the IAP and the professional programme. The event was a useful opportunity to exchange best practice on the development and delivery of training programmes and initiatives, and also to discuss further collaboration with Egmont to build on the success of the two joint IAP-Egmont Group webinars that took place in December 2023.

IAP President Juan Bautista Mahiques attended the 31st General Meeting of the Ibero-American Association of Public Prosecutors (AIAMP), held in the city of Santiago, Chile, from 01-02 February 2024. President Mahiques, who was invited to represent the IAP as an observer, took the floor to highlight the evolving role of prosecutors' associations such as IAP and AIAMP. He pointed out that these organisations have become indispensable instruments of cooperation for prosecution services around the world, providing faster and more direct communication channels among colleagues.

The President also stressed the need to create training programmes specifically designed to meet the unique needs of the region. Such educational initiatives are essential to equip legal professionals with the skills and knowledge necessary to address the specific challenges they face in their jurisdictions. IAP and AIAMP offer an exceptional platform to accomplish this objective. The event served as a platform to celebrate the strategic partnership between the IAP and the AIAMP, which was recently cemented by the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding. This agreement marked a commitment to continued collaboration between the IAP and AIAMP, enabling a future of shared knowledge and mutual support between both associations.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE IAP ATTENDED THE 31ST GENERAL MEETING OF THE IBERO-AMERICAN ASSOCIATION OF PROSECUTORS





The 30th Annual Conference and General Meeting of the IAP will take place in Singapore from 7 - 10 September 2025. It will be co-hosted by the IAP and the Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore. The overall theme for the conference will be "The Versatile Prosecutor", looking at the specialist expertise and cross-cutting capabilities that prosecutors need to cultivate in response to the constantly evolving criminal justice landscape,

In February 2024, members of the IAP Secretariat visited Singapore for the first official site visit. The Secretariat visited the conference venue - the Shangri-La Hotel - and viewed a number of wonderful venues for the social and networking events, as well as nearby hotels for accommodation for participants. The Secretariat were delighted to meet with Attorney-General Lucien Wong SC, Deputy Attorney-General Tai Wei Shyong SC and Solicitor-General Daphne Hong SC to discuss the forthcoming conference. There was also an extremely productive meeting with members of the Local Organising Committee, who were already hard at work on the preparations and planning for the event.

As well as discussing preparations for the conference, the Secretariat were also able to sample some of the local culture, including breakfast with the Local Organising Committee at a local Hawker Center and trying fruits native to Southeast Asia - durian and mangosteen!

The Secretariat would like to thank the Local Organising Committee for arranging such a productive, constructive and enjoyable first official site visit. We are all very much looking forward to the conference already, and so advise all members to make a note of the date in your diaries! More details about the conference will be uploaded to the IAP website in due course.



REGIONAL CONFERENCES 2024

18TH IAP REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR THE EUROPE REGION 2025 - MALTA

The 18th IAP Regional Conference for the Europe Region will be hosted by the Attorney General's Office of Malta. The conference will take place from 06 - 08 November 2024.

The conference theme is "Emerging Crime Trends in Europe". The conference sub-themes are "Hate Crimes: Trends, Strategies and Support for Victims", "Terrorism: Challenges" and "Financial Crime: Modern Day Money Laundering Schemes, Money Mules and Online Fraud". More information about this event will be published on the IAP website shortly.



11TH IAP REGIONAL CONFERENCE FOR THE ASIA AND PACIFIC REGION 2025 - HONG KONG SAR OF THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA

The 11th IAP Regional Conference for the Asia and Pacific Region will be hosted by the Prosecutions Division of the Department of Justice of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region of the People's Republic of China. The conference will take place from 27 - 29 November 2024.

The conference theme is "Effective Prosecution Service in the Technological Age". The conference sub-themes are "Combatting Crime in the Technological Age" and "The Use of Technology in the Criminal Justice System". More information about this event will be published on the IAP website shortly.





MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL COUNSEL

2024 is already shaping up to be a very busy year for the IAP's professional programme of training, development and capacity building activities. Since the last newsletter, the IAP Global Training Academy has delivered five more webinars on the work of

Financial Intelligence Units, the prosecution of cases of competition manipulation, rethinking anti-corruption strategies, and the prosecution of environmental crime. We have a large number of further webinars under development on topics ranging from the protection of cultural heritage, wildlife crime, cybercrime, narcotics, AI, and the prosecution of chemical, biological, nuclear and radiological crimes. All of our webinars are recorded and uploaded to the IAP website, so they can be viewed at any time if you aren't able to dial into the session - details can be found on page 20 onwards of this newsletter. All IAP members can attend the webinars free of charge, and there is no limit on the number of attendees who can join from an organisational member. If you have any feedback on our webinars, please do email it to me so that we can continue to improve and deliver the most useful products for you.

We're also heavily engaged in the preparations for our annual and regional conferences. The Call for Speakers for the Annual Conference in Azerbaijan has been issued - see page 12 of this newsletter for more details. We're very keen to have perspectives and insights from prosecutors from as many countries around the world as possible - the more that we can share our experience and expertise, the more that we all learn and benefit - and so please do submit an abstract for consideration for inclusion in the programme if you are interested in the opportunity to present at the forthcoming conference. Calls for Speakers for our two regional conferences will be distributed later this year, and so please do watch out for them as well!

I look forward to seeing many of you during the course of 2024, either at one of the IAP conferences or online at our many webinars.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Shenaz Muzaffer'.

Shenaz Muzaffer

IAP General Counsel

CELEBRATING 25 YEARS OF THE IAP STANDARDS

The IAP Standards of Professional Responsibility and Statement of the Essential Duties and Rights of Prosecutors (“the Standards”).

The International Association of Prosecutors (IAP) was established in 1995 as the first global network of prosecutors. One of the most important objectives of the IAP is to 'promote and enhance those standards and principles which are generally recognised internationally as necessary for the proper and independent prosecution of offences'. In support of that objective, the IAP Standards of Professional Responsibility and Statement of the Essential Duties and Rights of Prosecutors ('the IAP Standards') were developed and adopted by the IAP in April 1999. The IAP Standards serve as an international benchmark for the conduct of individual prosecutors and of prosecution services. They are designed to be a working document that prosecuting authorities can use to develop their own standards of practice. The IAP Standards were endorsed by the United Nations Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice in 2008, and Member States were invited to encourage their prosecution services to take the both the UN Guidelines and the IAP Standards into consideration when reviewing or developing rules for prosecutorial conduct in their own countries. Notwithstanding the different legal systems and traditions around the world, the IAP Standards are of general applicability to all prosecutors as they carry out their functions.

The IAP Standards recognise that prosecutors play a crucial role in the administration of justice. They highlight standards of professional conduct that prosecutors must adhere to, including the need to be consistent, independent, impartial, to protect and serve the public interest and to protect the rights of the accused to a fair trial. They outline the role and duties of prosecutors in criminal proceedings, and underscore the need for prosecutors to cooperate with other national or international actors in the criminal justice sphere to ensure the fairness and effectiveness of prosecutions. They also require prosecutors to render assistance to the prosecution services of other jurisdictions in accordance with the law and in a spirit of mutual cooperation – highlighting the importance of international collaboration. Finally, the IAP Standards also stress that prosecutors should be protected against arbitrary action by governments and that they are entitled to carry out their professional functions without intimidation, hindrance, harassment or improper interference.

The Standards are now twenty-five years old. However, the principles that are outlined in them - independence, impartiality, integrity and the upholding of the rule of law - are as relevant to the role of a prosecutor nowadays as they were when they were first devised.

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IAP GLOBAL TRAINING ACADEMY UPCOMING WEBINARS

WEBINAR: AN OPERATIONAL PERSPECTIVE ON PROSECUTING ENVIRONMENTAL CRIME

DEVELOP AN INCREASED UNDERSTANDING OF THE CHALLENGES AND BEST PRACTICE IN THE PROSECUTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CRIMES THROUGH THE SHARING OF OPERATIONAL EXAMPLES FROM AROUND THE WORLD

TEERAT LIMPAYARAYA
Provincial Public Prosecutor, Office of the Attorney General, Thailand

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Senior State Advocate, National Prosecuting Authority of South Africa

BLAS MATIAS MICHIEZI
Head Prosecutor, First Instance Prosecutor's Office, Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, Argentina

APHRODITE SMAGADI
Legal Officer, Montevideo Coordination and Delivery Programme, UNEP

An Operational Perspective on Prosecuting Environmental Crime

Wednesday 24 April 2024, 13:30 hrs CET

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*Marile Van Heerden, Senior State Advocate, National Prosecuting Authority of South Africa

*Blas Matias Michienzi, Head Prosecutor, First Instance Prosecutor's Office, Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, Argentina

*Aphrodite Smagadi, Legal Officer, UN Environment Programme

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RETHINKING ANTI-CORRUPTION EFFORTS: KEY CONSIDERATIONS REGARDING CASE SELECTION AND VICTIM COMPENSATION

Explore principles and key considerations regarding alternatives to prosecution, case selection and prioritisation, and victim compensation in the context of the fight against corruption.

KATHLEEN ROUSSEL
Director of Public Prosecutions and Deputy Attorney General, Canada

MARTHA CHIZUMA
Director-General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Malawi

CHRISTOPHER STONE
Professor of Practice of Public Integrity, University of Oxford

Rethinking Anti-Corruption Efforts: Key Considerations regarding Case Selection and Victim Compensation

Thursday 30 April 2024, 14:00 hrs CET

*Kathleen Roussel, DPP and Deputy Attorney General, Canada

*Martha Chizuma, Director-General, Anti-Corruption Bureau, Malawi

*Christopher Stone, Professor of Practice of Public Integrity, University of Oxford

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PREVIOUS IAP GLOBAL TRAINING ACADEMY WEBINAR RECORDINGS



The Importance of the Nuremberg Principles: A webinar aimed at raising prosecutors' awareness of the mission and activities of the Nuremberg Academy and also of the resources that are available to prosecutors.

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Webinar on Waste Crime: Explore waste crime typologies, their impact, real-life examples of successful investigation and prosecution of such forms of (non-traditional) transnational organised crime, and the IAP Standards for Prosecutors.

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An Introduction to Wildlife Crime: Learn more about how wildlife crimes are committed in practice, their impact, the challenges of investigating and prosecuting such offences, and the importance of international cooperation.

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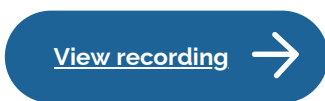
An Introduction to Financial Intelligence Units and the Egmont Group: Expand your knowledge of the work of the Egmont Group of Financial Intelligence Units, ECOFEL, and the work of FIUs in combatting financial crime

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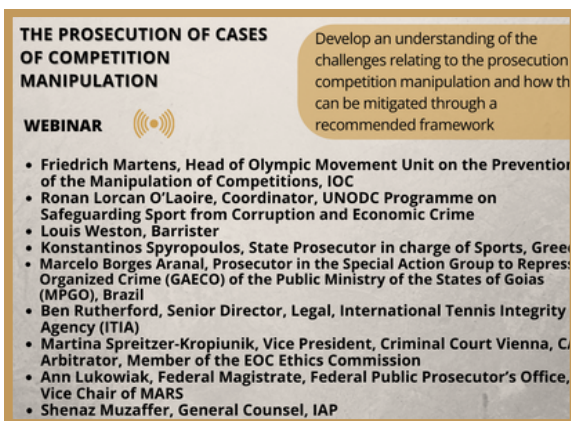
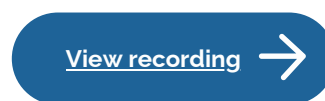




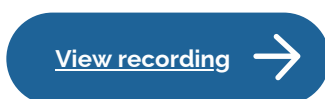
Cooperation between Financial Intelligence Units and Public Prosecutors: Develop an increased knowledge and awareness of the relationship between financial intelligence units and prosecutors, and how financial intelligence units can assist in investigations and prosecutions.



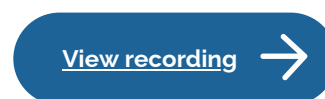
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