

**INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF PROSECUTORS**

Dear Colleagues

Eighth European Regional Conference, The Hague, 12-14 March 2008

In March 2008 we shall be holding our eighth European regional conference for line prosecutors in The Hague. This follows on the success of five earlier events in The Hague and we look forward to welcoming colleagues from many countries in Europe again. We are grateful to the Mayor of The Hague for his continuing support in hosting the conference.

The subject will be 'Hate Crime' and the focus will be on dealing with violent extremism, racism and other forms of discrimination. As part of the program participants shall again visit Eurojust to get an insight into how this regional organisation effects cross-border co-operation and decision-making.

The conference is primarily aimed at **line prosecutors**, those who carry out the day to day tasks of investigating cases, making case decisions and prosecuting in court. I hope that you will be interested in this the conference. As you will see, we have kept the cost of the conference to a minimum.

We anticipate high demand for the conference and we would not like to turn people down; so, - for organisational members - if you cannot give us the names of the participants at this moment, please could you let me know as soon as possible the probable number of participants from your offices and we shall then reserve places for them.

If you have any questions about the conference, please do not hesitate to contact me (sg@iap.nl.com) or the IAP General Counsel Elizabeth Howe (elizabeth.howe@cps.gsi.gov.uk).

Yours sincerely

Henk Marquart Scholtz
IAP Secretary General

8th European Regional Conference

Hate Crime

Wednesday 12 March 2007

17.00 : *Registration and drinks reception at the IAP secretariat*

19.00 : *Dinner in local restaurant*

Work programme

Thursday 13 March 2008

The Hague City Hall

09.10 – 09.30 *Welcome and Introduction*

09.30 – 10.15 *Plenary session 1*

10.15 – 11.00 *Plenary session 2*

11.00 – 11.20 *Refreshment break*

11.20 – 12.30 *Plenary session 3*

12.30 - 13.00 Depart for Eurojust

13.00 - 14.00 Lunch at Eurojust

14.00 – 14.45 Eurojust presentation

14.45 – 15.20 Return to City Hall and refreshment break

15.20 – 16.30 *Plenary session 4*

16.30 - 17.30 *Workshop 1*

17.30 – 18.00 *Plenary session 5*

Feedback from the workshops and discussion of the day's issues.

18.00: **Reception hosted by the City of The Hague**

Friday 14 March 2008

The Hague City Hall

09.15 – 10.30 *Plenary session 6*

10.30 – 11.00 *Refreshment break*

11.00 – 12.15 *Workshop 2*

12.15 – 13 .30 *Final plenary session – feedback, discussion and finish*

13.30 : *Lunch*



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Registration form

The International Association of Prosecutors (IAP) is holding its 8th conference for prosecutors from Europe in The Hague on 12-14 March 2008.

Theme

Hate Crime – violent extremism, racism and discrimination

Registrations will be handled on a first come first served basis.

The conference is open to prosecutors who :

- are not senior managers or policy advisers;
- have not attended an IAP Annual Conference;
- who *speak English sufficiently well* to take part in group workshop discussions and more widely with their colleagues; and
- are individual members of the Association or are employed by or are representatives of an organisational member of the Association..

Conference language

The working language of the conference will be English in order to keep the costs to a minimum.

Conference numbers

The conference is open to 60 prosecutors and the IAP Secretariat reserves the right to restrict the numbers from any one country in order to achieve a proper balance.

Conference cost

The conference fee will be EURO 150. This includes all items set out in the attached provisional programme.

Conference venue

The Hague City Hall.

Hotels

You may find a list of all available hotels in The Hague on www.denhaag.com (English version). Participants should make their own arrangements with the hotels. The nearest hotels (2-3 minutes' walk) to the City Hall are the Hotel Mercure (Accor), the Novotel the Golden Tulip Hotel Corona and the Ibis Hotel. A hard copy of the list of hotels is available with the secretariat and will be sent to you after registration, with instructions for local transportation.

Name on Card:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

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() I transferred EURO 150.- to the Bank account IBAN NL65ABNA045.82.16.623, BIC code ABNANL2A, ABN/AMRO Bank, The Hague, The Netherlands.

Please return this form to the IAP Secretary-General by Email (sg@iap.nl.com), by fax (+ 31 70 36 30 367) or priority airmail.