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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear fellow prosecutors,

It is my pleasure to greet you once again in this new edition of the IAP Newsletter, which is being delivered to you only a few days after the Executive Committee Northern Spring Meeting.



As Head of the Public Prosecution Service of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires (MPF CABA), who hosted the event, let me start these words by thanking the members of the Executive Committee, the Secretariat and Observers for a wonderful and enriching experience. I believe this meeting was very fruitful. We were able to tackle many important and strategic issues for the future of the IAP, and we managed to do so with a new meeting format that enhanced creative collaboration. I appreciate the trust the ExCo members and the Secretariat have placed upon myself and my team, and I do hope they are as much satisfied with the results as we are.

During this event, we also formalised the establishment of the IAP Latin American Regional Office by signing the MOU between the IAP and the Prosecution Service of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires (MPF CABA), in accordance with what was approved during the Baku General Meeting last year.

At a time when increasing geopolitical turmoil, rapid technological advances and social tensions are putting the boundaries of the rule of law to the test in many parts of the world, it is of the utmost importance that we strengthen the IAP's reach and foster cooperation among prosecutors worldwide to uphold the IAP Standards and commit to raising the bar of prosecutorial work. The establishment of this Regional Office will certainly provide the IAP with more resources to work in this direction and we're very excited about this new chapter.

In close connection with these objectives, the Secretariat has been working around the clock to launch the new website and PICP. The new website has a polished and intuitive design that improves user experience and facilitates finding important information within the site. The PICP is the key element behind this new concept, enabling members to reach contact points, specialists and network members worldwide. If you haven't done so already, I invite you all to check out the new IAP website and update your contact information. Bear in mind that the more information the PICP contains, the better tool it will become to facilitate instant communication and informal cooperation.

Now, back to the contents of this issue, the theme at hand is "Prosecution of Hate Crimes". As I mentioned before, current times present us with challenges that often put our legal frameworks, institutional structures and expertise to the test. It is always inspiring to learn how fellow colleagues devise solid and creative approaches to difficult cases, so I'm certain you'll find these articles very interesting.

Last but not least, please remember to check the IAP website regularly for updates on the upcoming events of this year, the next one being the 10th IAP Regional Conference of Eastern Europe and Central Asia in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, from 4 -6 June. Also, I hope you can join us in Singapore from 7-10 September for the 30th Annual Conference and General Meeting, in what promises to be an exceptional event.

Once again, thank you all for your commitment to the IAP and for being an essential part of this global community.

Best regards,



Juan Bautista Mahiques

IAP President

SECRETARY-GENERAL'S EDITORIAL

Our new website is on air!

In today's fast-paced and changing world, how we interact and communicate has never been more critical. Technological development evolves rapidly, and new forms of international crime are emerging. This development also requires faster, more efficient, and trustworthy communication.



The IAP recognises this need, and to keep up with these changes, we were excited to announce the launch of our brand-new website last February, designed to give our members more ways to connect, interact, and engage than ever before.

Our new website was built with one goal: to enhance the experience for our members, both organisational and individual, by providing more relevant information, real-time communication features, and opportunities to collaborate.

One of the significant new improvements is our Prosecutors' International Cooperation Platform, PICP. As the world becomes increasingly interconnected, our new website can provide a secure space where members can engage quickly and effectively, whether for professional or social purposes. Not only organisational members but an increasing number of individual prosecutors became members for a small annual fee and found ways to interact with colleagues worldwide through our platform.

This newsletter pays special attention to hate crimes. Although the term 'hate crime' has not been used for very long, the underlying crimes are of all times. With the advent of new and fast communication methods, this form of crime has also taken on other forms.

To effectively combat this form of crime, it is essential to learn from the experiences of other countries. Of course, you can do this by attending our webinars, but our new website also allows you to communicate directly with specialists in this field from all over the world or listen to previous webinars on this topic.

As the world changes rapidly, our ability to communicate and interact must evolve just as quickly. The IAP believes that our new website will make it easier for members to stay connected, share ideas, and drive progress.

Please take a look at our new website, become an individual member, and share your knowledge and expertise with colleagues worldwide.

Roel Dona

IAP Secretary-General



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organisational or individual member
of the IAP**

THEME ARTICLES: THE PROSECUTION OF HATE CRIMES

A SPEECH CRIME CASE STUDY IN BERMUDA: PROPORTIONALITY AND THE DECISION TO PROSECUTE

By Adley Duncan, Senior Crown Counsel, Department of Public Prosecutions, Bermuda

This article considers guidance issued by the Court of Appeal as to the proportionality test when determining whether the public interest is served by a prosecution for an online speech crime.



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CHALLENGING THE BANALITY OF HATE: HATE CRIMES AS TERRORISM OFFENCES

By Alex Bernard, General Counsel, Public Prosecution Service, Canada

This article analyses the potential overlap between hate motivated crimes and terrorist activities, and includes an overview of two recent Canadian prosecutions where hate motivations and terrorist activities overlapped.

THE PROSECUTION OF HATE CRIMES IN BRAZIL: LEGAL CHALLENGES AND JURISPRUDENTIAL OVERVIEW

*By Guilherme Diego Rodrigues Leal, Federal Prosecutor,
Federal Prosecution Service, Brazil*

The article reviews the evolving legal framework for the prosecution of hate crimes in Brazil, examining recent jurisprudence and the role of the Federal Prosecution Service.



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CHALLENGES AND SOLUTIONS TO ADDRESS HATE CRIMES

*By Dr. Majed Hmoud Alturaiqi, Public Prosecution
member of Saudi Arabia*

This article assesses some of the legal challenges in prosecuting hate crimes and puts forward some recommendations to ensure a comprehensive approach to tackling such offences.

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CYBER VIOLENCE AS A FORM OF DOMESTIC AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE: THE NEED FOR REFLECTION IN THE EXISTING LEGAL FRAMEWORK OF THE INNOVATIONS OF DIRECTIVE (EU) 2024/1385



By Dr. Ylli Pjetërnika, Prosecutor at the Prosecution Office at First Instance Court of Tirana, Albania

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This article considers the legal reforms that are necessary in Albania to ensure the protection of women and children against offences of cyberviolence.



PROSECUTING HATE CRIMES: OPERATIONAL EFFORTS AND CHALLENGES

By Ahmad Reshad Sayeedi, Prosecutor, Attorney General's Office of Afghanistan

This article explores the necessary operational focus that is needed to effectively prosecute hate crimes.

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IAP SPECIAL ARTICLES

Protecting Our Most Vulnerable From Sexual Exploitation



By Jeanette Manning, JD, Chief for Training and Research, National Association of Attorneys General, IAP Executive Committee Member, and former attorney with the District of Columbia Office of the Attorney General, focusing on urban blight, child protection and abuse, and human trafficking, United States.

This article builds on the Special Interest Session that was held during the Annual Conference in Baku focused on protecting children in the digital age. It examines the current landscape in the United States for the reporting of child sexual abuse material, and shares one of the approaches that is utilised to triage reported abuse and sexual exploitation cases at the national level.

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UNRAVELING A COMPLEX WEB OF TAX FRAUD: A CASE STUDY ON INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION AND INNOVATIVE PROSECUTION STRATEGIES

By Oluwakemi Oloyede -Naiyeju, Am/ Tax , Litigation & Prosecution Department, Federal Inland Revenue Service, Nigeria

This article provides a scenario involving a complex tax evasion scheme with cross-border implications that illustrates the importance of international cooperation in combatting tax evasion and crime.

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THE 10TH IAP EASTERN EUROPE AND CENTRAL ASIA REGIONAL CONFERENCE - ULAANBAATAR, MONGOLIA



The 10th IAP Eastern Europe and Central Asia Regional Conference will take place in Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, from 04 - 06 June 2025. The Regional Conference will be hosted by the Prosecutor General's Office of Mongolia.

The overall conference theme is "The evolving role of the prosecutor: Challenges and best practice in tackling cybercrime". The topics for the plenary sessions are:

1. The Evolution and Trends of Social Media and Its Impact on Crime
2. Emerging Threats in The Digital Landscape - The Evolving Nature of Cybercrime Targeting Children
3. Technological Advancements in Combating Cybercrime
4. Trafficking in Persons: Regional Trends, Strategies, and Victim Protection

The prevalence of advancements in information, communication, and technology has irrevocably transformed the landscape of human interaction, communication, and commerce. Social networks have become indispensable tools in modern society, enabling users to disseminate, access, and exchange information across geographical boundaries through electronic devices. This ubiquitous connectivity offers significant advantages, including the facilitation of expanded business operations, enhanced time management, and considerable cost reductions. While offering unprecedented opportunities for progress and connection, this digital transformation also presents novel challenges to the protection of fundamental human rights and to the ability of investigators and prosecutors to tackle the growing threat of cybercrime in its many forms. The IAP Regional Conference will explore the evolving nature of cybercrime and enable participants to share innovative strategies and best practices to combat crimes committed in the online space.

As part of the Regional Conference, the IAP will be marking its 30th Anniversary with a special ceremony on Friday 06 June. The Prosecutor General has also very kindly invited all participants to join a one-day cultural trip on Saturday 07 June 2025 to visit the Chinggis Khaan Equestrian Statue and the Museum in Tsonjinboldog Complex and then to join a 'Mini-Naadam Festive' hosted by the Prosecutor General's Office of Mongolia at the Chinggis Khaan Khuree Complex.

Registration for the conference is now open - please see the conference website [here](#) for more details.

The IAP is still seeking Expressions of Interest from IAP members who would like to deliver a presentation during a plenary session at the conference - please see [here](#) for more details.



THE 59TH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING OF THE IAP, BUENOS AIRES, ARGENTINA, APRIL 2025

The 59th Executive Committee Meeting of the IAP took place in Buenos Aires, Argentina, in April 2025. The meeting was hosted by Juan Bautista Mahiques, Attorney General of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires, Argentina, and IAP President.

Amongst other issues, the Executive Committee considered and discussed the following matters:

- Formal adoption of the minutes of the 58th Executive Committee Meeting, held in Baku, Azerbaijan, in September 2024
- Elections for vacancies on IAP committees and sub-committees
- Recommendations for IAP Awards and Honorary Membership
- Report on the activities of the IAP Secretariat
- Report on complaints and pending cases
- IAP Granting Programme
- Network expansion and membership
- Staff succession planning
- Development and implementation of the new website and online membership system
- Professional Working Programme of the IAP
- Current and future potential partner projects
- Update on the Prosecutors Exchange Programme
- Review of the IAP Protocols
- Review of the IAP Constitution
- IAP finances
- Regional Office in Argentina
- Report on the activities of the SCPID
- Report on the activities of the PEP
- Report on the activities of the Senate
- Activity reports of IAP members
- Forthcoming annual and regional conferences
- Future Executive Committee meeting locations

In addition, the Executive Committee participated in a workshop on the second day of the meeting, designed to develop a tangible strategy and action plan to progress three main objectives of the IAP relating to (i) Funding; (ii) IAP membership and benefits; and (iii) Marketing, positioning and communication. The workshop was an extremely successful and enjoyable event, which generated a significant number of ideas which can be taken forward for the benefit of the Association.

The IAP Secretariat would like to thank the IAP President and the Local Organising Committee for their wonderful hospitality and organisation, and for all of the efforts that were put into ensuring that the Executive Committee meeting was both successful and productive. We are particularly grateful to them for seizing the initiative to host the workshop on the second day of the meeting and for giving Executive Committee members the opportunity to engage in an informal setting with an experienced facilitator.

A fuller report of the meeting will follow in the next newsletter.

The 60th Executive Committee Meeting of the IAP will take place in Singapore in September 2025.



IAP SIGNS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE PROSECUTION SERVICE OF BUENOS AIRES TO FORMALLY ESTABLISH AN IAP REGIONAL OFFICE IN LATIN AMERICA



An important step was taken to deepen the IAP's engagement in Latin America during the 59th IAP Executive Committee Meeting, held in Buenos Aires from 7–9 April 2025. In the context of this meeting, the IAP signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Public Prosecution Service of Buenos Aires (MPF CABA) with the aim of opening a new IAP Regional Office in the city.

The MoU was signed by Roel Dona, Secretary General of the IAP; Manuel Pinheiro Freitas, IAP Vice President for the Latin American region; and Juan Bautista Mahiques, Attorney General of the Autonomous City of Buenos Aires and current President of the IAP.

The Regional Office in Buenos Aires will assist the IAP Secretariat in several key areas, including member recruitment within the region, translation of website content and IAP documents into Spanish, support for regional events and training, and the promotion of the IAP's professional standards and values. This initiative marks a major milestone in the IAP's strategy to strengthen its global presence and foster closer collaboration with prosecutors across Latin America.

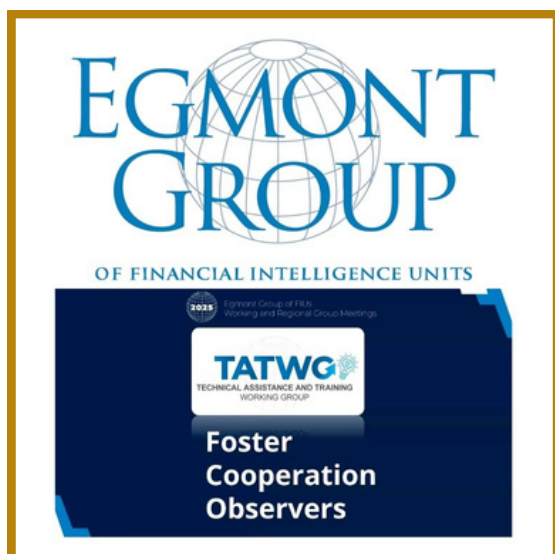


As a kick-off for the Regional Office in Buenos Aires, in the days following the Executive Committee meeting, the Executive Director of IAP, Janne Holst Hübner, and the Executive Administration Manager, Benn Van Alphen, visited the headquarters of the Office. They also conducted a two-day training session for the Buenos Aires team on the use of the new IAP website, enabling them to soon begin uploading content to the Spanish version of the site.

Going forward, the Regional Office staff will hold regular virtual meetings with the IAP Secretariat to coordinate efforts and ensure alignment with the Association's strategic goals.

The establishment of the Regional Office in Buenos Aires is a testament to the IAP's continuing commitment to building a truly global community of prosecutors.





THE IAP EXECUTIVE PROGRAMME MANAGER PARTICIPATED IN AN EGMONT GROUP MEETING

On 05 February 2025, Irina Beridze, the IAP Executive Programme Manager, participated in the virtual meeting of the Egmont Group Technical Assistance and Training Working Group (TATWG) on behalf of the IAP.

The main objective of the meeting was to facilitate the TATWG's work in TATWG Strategy priority directions, including fostering cooperation with the Egmont Group Observers for the exchange of expertise when it comes to technical assistance and training.

The IAP's participation in the meeting as the Egmont Group Observer builds on the successful partnership with TATWG in the delivery of a joint webinar 'Enabling the Evidential Use of Intelligence Material' on 05 September 2025.

The IAP Executive Programme Manager delivered a presentation on the outcomes of this joint initiative, which had increased knowledge of the webinar attendees of the nature of financial intelligence and the tools for turning intelligence into evidence for use in criminal proceedings. The webinar had further reinforced the need for investigators and prosecutors to work closely together from the start of an investigation, and provided operational examples from Nigeria and the UK relating to the investigation and prosecution of financial crime cases. The session was attended by 400 IAP member prosecutors and representatives of the Egmont Group member Financial Intelligence Units (FIUs) from 127 jurisdictions.

As part of her presentation, the Executive Programme Manager highlighted the role of the IAP as the only worldwide network of prosecutors and reaffirmed IAP's readiness to collaborate with Egmont TATWG, ECOFEL and other potential partners in the development and delivery of professional capacity-building activities for the IAP members.

In the framework of the meeting, the Executive Programme Manager provided input in developing the TATWG's business plan 2025. The TATWG meeting was attended by 300 delegates from 131 FIUs and 16 Egmont Group Observers - including World Bank StAR Initiative, Asia/Pacific Group on Money Laundering, Interpol, GAFILAT, WCO, UNODC, GlobE and others, next to the IAP.

THE IAP GENERAL COUNSEL DELIVERED A KEYNOTE ADDRESS AT AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE IN NEPAL

The IAP General Counsel participated in an international conference in Kathmandu, Nepal, between 26-28 February 2025, hosted by the Office of the Attorney General of Nepal.

The theme of the conference was "International Conference on Crimes of

the Digital Age: Anticipation and Response". She delivered one of the two inaugural keynote addresses on the topic of "Putting victims at the heart of the criminal justice process: Addressing technology-related sexual violence and abuse" and also participated as a panellist in a session on "Cross-border cooperation in combatting technology-facilitated crimes".

The conference brought together delegates from Nepal and from fourteen other countries to discuss topics including technology-facilitated sexual violence, cybersecurity, digital evidence, cryptocurrency, and AI-enabled crimes. The conference enabled participants to hear practical examples of best practice from multiple jurisdictions, as well as to build professional networks with counterparts from within the region and beyond.

The IAP would like to express our sincere thanks to the Attorney General of Nepal for the invitation to attend and participate in this prestigious event.



THE IAP GENERAL COUNSEL PARTICIPATED IN A TABLE-TOP EXERCISE FOR UKRAINIAN PROSECUTORS

The IAP General Counsel participated in a table-top exercise for Ukrainian prosecutors on "Strengthening the CBRN investigation, prosecution and adjudication capabilities of Ukraine" in February 2025.

The exercise was organised by UNICRI (United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Initiative) and the EC, and was designed to develop the capabilities of Ukraine to investigate and prosecute chemical, biological, radiological and nuclear crimes. The IAP's involvement builds on the successful engagement with UNICRI from 2024 that resulted in the development of a Guide for Prosecutors for prosecuting radiological and nuclear crimes and in the delivery of two webinars for IAP members.

As a result of a connection made between the DPP of New South Wales, Australia, and the Executive Director Legal of the Independent Commission Against Anti-Corruption in Papua New Guinea at the IAP Annual Conference in Baku in September 2024, a shipment of over 5,000 used law and justice text books was provided to the PNG judiciary in April 2025.

ODPP NSW SUPPORTS THE PAPUA NEW GUINEA JUDICIARY

In addition, the ODPP has also provided training videos on advocacy, asset confiscation and money laundering for use by PNG lawyers and judges. Belinda Hughes from the ICAC stressed the importance of such resources to legal practitioners and judges, enabling them to develop an awareness of relevant precedents and ensuring consistency in decision-making.

THE IAP GENERAL COUNSEL VISITED CHILE TO DELIVER A WORKSHOP FOR THE FISCALÍA NACIONAL

The IAP General Counsel was delighted to visit Santiago, Chile, after the Executive Committee meeting in April 2025, hosted by the Fiscalía Nacional.

During the visit, the General Counsel had the opportunity to visit the Centro de Justicia to observe some preliminary hearings and part of a trial, and to meet with some of the units at the Fiscalía Nacional. She also met with the National Prosecutor of Chile, an Executive Committee member, where they discussed the increased use of AI in prosecution services.

The General Counsel then delivered a workshop for legal and administrative members of the Fiscalía Nacional on vicarious trauma and measures that can be taken to mitigate the impact on prosecutors who are regularly exposed to harrowing material in their work. The session also included a discussion on the independence of prosecutors and the role of governments in ensuring that prosecutors are able to properly carry out their functions without fear or exposure to undue pressures.

The General Counsel would like to thank the National Prosecutor, Juan Pablo Glasinovic Vernon and Greta Fuchslocher Hassenberg for their hospitality and for facilitating such an enjoyable and constructive visit to Chile.





The 30th Annual Conference and General Meeting of the IAP will take place in Singapore from 07 - 10 September 2025. It will be hosted by the Attorney-General's Chambers, Singapore, in conjunction with the IAP.

The overall theme for the conference is "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 addition, plenary sessions and workshops will explore the use of new technology in the commission and prosecution of crimes, legal education and training, mental wellness and resilience, international cooperation and asset tracing/seizing.

There will also be a series of Specialist Network Sessions and Special Interest Sessions on the following topics:

- Economic Crime and Asset Recovery
- Cybercrime
- Military Prosecutions
- Associations
- Trauma-informed justice
- Human trafficking
- Junior prosecutors
- Heads of prosecuting agencies

More information can be found on the conference website [here](#).

The Call for Speakers is currently open. If you are interested in delivering a presentation during a plenary session, workshop, Specialist Network Session or Special Interest Session at the Annual Conference, please see further details [here](#) or contact the General Counsel at gc@iap-association.org.





A Message from The Cybercrime Network

In the last issue of the IAP Newsletter (#94) Koen Hermans, co-chair of the IAP Cybercrime Network, ended his hopeful message with these words: "People say I am a dreamer. But I am not the only one. Dreams can come true."



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Let us see if we can tickle your imagination and dream a little... Let us see if we can envision a future of investigation and prosecution that enables us to gain the upper hand and be successful in the fight against cybercrime.

2034.

Somewhere in the South Pacific.

A Mondial Cyber Alert (MC-A) with the title 'Hit vital infrastructure of Indian Ocean region' is received on the Mondial Cyber Dashboard (MC-D) of the on-duty public prosecutor and law enforcement representative for the Southern Hemisphere.

It turns out to be a Meta Verse attack by a known group of perpetrators in which old school servers were used. Images of the servers are created instantly and uploaded automatically into the MC-A investigation file. All judicial and investigative clusters spread across the world have access to this file.

*Due to the enormity of victims in the Indian Ocean region, the nearby Public Prosecution and Police Services are explicitly *flagged* in the MCA file, so that they receive a notification of every update onward. Based on the available information, the MC-Dashboard spots a high risk of more victims from the same modus operandi in the Equatorial region, and *flags* them as well. Finally, the dashboard delivers a global list of public and private units which possess necessary expertise to swiftly resolve this case.*

With a single mouse click (or whatever will be in use by then..) a United Super Cybercrime Heroes Team (USCH-T) is assembled. The USCH-T consists of the best suited experts for this particular incident irrespective of their physical location. Immediately, a list of tips and an action framework is displayed on the screens of their retinas. Those who prefer audio can choose from ten languages in five pleasant voices. While the South Atlantic experts work on a strategy to manifest the attack, the Northern Hemisphere experts take the lead on criminal money flows. They stumble upon the use of $\Sigma\Lambda\Omega\Sigma\Gamma\Phi\Lambda$, an AI-driven global payment infrastructure. The servers appear to have been paid for with $\Sigma\Lambda\Omega\Sigma\Gamma\Phi\Lambda$ and a quick analysis of the payments shows that they can be linked to the AI-exchange located on a recently discovered archipelago (geolocation 8.716869; -175.458073). By changing the geolocation 8.716869|-175.458073 to 0|0, the archipelago falls under the jurisdiction of the USCH-T for three days. Enough time to secure all $\Sigma\Lambda\Omega\Sigma\Gamma\Phi\Lambda$ involved.

The result of this transnational working day is that (1) the victims have been notified, (2) assets have been frozen and (3) evidence has been secured and shared. In these type of cases the time between the initial MC-A and caption of perpetrators are on average one week. However, in this particular case the USCH-T is confident that the perpetrators could be caught before the weekend based on the good quality of the MC-A file.

This scenario is not reality yet. For now it is merely an illustration of what could be created to equip prosecutors for the future in their task to lead cybercrime investigations and prosecute cybercriminals.

Naomi Mohamed,
IAP Cybercrime Network Advisor



The first Cybercrime Network Webinar

In the fall of 2024 the Dutch Public Prosecution Service has commenced their role to facilitate and chair the IAP Cybercrime Network. In February a first Cybercrime Webinar was held on the Operation Endgame: A comprehensive approach in the fight against cybercrime.

For those who missed it, the webinar can be rewatched via the IAP Global Training Academy webpage [here](#).

For more on this innovative approach, please visit: www.operation-endgame.com.

Building the IAP Cybercrime Network

In order to build a functional and successful Cybercrime Network that is of added benefit to prosecutors around the world two things are needed (1) membership of a representative from each jurisdiction, and (2) input on insights, obstacles and knowledge into operational trends and approaches to fight cybercrime in order to provide helpful (online) Cybercrime Sessions.

Call for operational representatives to join the Cybercrime Network

Representatives from each jurisdiction are invited to join the Cybercrime Network. For the operational success of the Network it is essential to have global coverage. The ideal candidates should:

- (i) have a genuine interest and commitment to combatting cybercrime and
- (ii) see the value of working together with peers from other countries.

Experience levels may vary, however this will not be a barrier to participation. The key is a willingness to engage and contribute to collective efforts in fighting cybercrime.

Registration for the Cybercrime Network

To register for the IAP Cybercrime Network please inform us of your interest via: cybercrimenetwork@iap-association.org. Soon formal registration will be possible via the [IAP Cybercrime Network webpage](#). All those who have made their intention to join the Network known will be kept informed of any updates (e.g. Webinars or formal registration).

Call for insights into operational trends and approaches to fight cybercrime

To provide meaningful insights and knowledge into operational trends and approaches to fight cybercrime the Network needs input from colleagues around the world. If you are able to provide us and the rest of the Network with any articles/writers, presentations/speakers and discussion topics on operational and current cybercrime trends, please contact us via: cybercrimenetwork@iap-association.org.



MESSAGE FROM THE GENERAL COUNSEL

The Secretariat have recently returned from the Executive Committee meeting in Buenos Aires. During the meeting, the Executive Committee had the opportunity to consider some of the operational challenges facing the IAP, including funding and marketing, and generated multiple innovative ideas to

enable us to improve the workings of the IAP for the benefit of all of our members. We are extremely grateful to the IAP President and his team for hosting the meeting, and for the engagement and enthusiasm of the Executive Committee members. We are already looking forward to the next meeting in Singapore in September.

We're already a third of the way through 2025, and so the full attention of the Secretariat is now turning to our forthcoming regional and annual conferences. Registrations for the 10th Eastern Europe and Central Asia Regional Conference in Mongolia in June and for the 30th Annual Conference and General Meeting of the IAP in September in Singapore are both open, and we really encourage IAP members to attend these events if possible. IAP conferences - both annual and regional - are a fantastic opportunity to reconnect with old friends, build new networks, and exchange expertise, best practice and experiences. The conferences also enable participants to enjoy the culture, food and hospitality of other countries, and to engage with counterparts in a relaxing yet constructive environment.

In addition, we are still seeking speakers for both conferences. Delivering a presentation at a conference enables the speaker to outline innovative and successful approaches that are being adopted in their own jurisdiction, and to showcase their professional expertise. If you are interested in attending either conference and in participating in a speaker, then please visit the conference websites - the links are on the front page of the newsletter or they can be accessed via our website.

We are also continuing our IAP Global Training Academy webinars, with at least two webinars scheduled every month until the end of 2025. Please do spread the word about our webinars to colleagues within your offices - the webinars are a great opportunity to learn about a new area of law or to develop your understanding and knowledge, with a particular focus on practical and operational examples to assist us all in our day-to-day activities.

I very much hope to see you at our IAP conferences later this year!

Best,

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

Shenaz Muzaffer

IAP General Counsel

IAP GLOBAL TRAINING ACADEMY UPCOMING WEBINARS - MAY 2025



Prosecuting cybercrimes in Switzerland: Hurdles and challenges

Wednesday 14 May 2025, 14:00 hrs CET

*Yves Nicolet, Federal Prosecutor, Cybercrime Unit, Office of the Attorney General of Switzerland

[Register now](#)



Decrypting the blockchain: An introduction to crypto investigations and the benefits of partnership working

Wednesday 28 May 2025, 14:00 hrs CET

*Nick Wright, Manager, Global Intelligence, Coinbase

[Register now](#)



Additionally, there are two webinars scheduled every month until the end of 2025. Please check the IAP website and emails for more information - registration details are circulated approximately six weeks before each webinar. Webinars are free to attend and are open to all IAP organisational and individual members.

PREVIOUS IAP GLOBAL TRAINING ACADEMY WEBINAR RECORDINGS

All previous IAP webinars from 2023 - present are available to view via the members-only section of the IAP website - please go to the Global Training Academy homepage [here](#).

- **Unlocking the potential of equivalent value-based measures in asset recovery** (April 2025)
- **Universal jurisdiction: An overview** (April 2025)
- **Modern slavery and human trafficking prosecutions** (March 2025)
- **Trafficking and terrorism of antiquities** (March 2025)
- **Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Cybercrime (Budapest Convention)** (February 2025)
- **Operation Endgame: A comprehensive approach in the fight against cybercrime** (February 2025)
- **Prosecuting cases of police corruption** (February 2025)
- **Supporting the global fight against grand corruption: An introduction to the International Anti-Corruption Coordination Centre** (January 2025)
- **Investigating and prosecuting the destruction, looting and trafficking of cultural heritage by terrorist groups** (December 2024) (not recorded)
- **The role of the FATF in combatting money laundering and terrorist financing** (December 2024)
- **Violent extremism - the threat environment and impact of technological advancements** (November 2024)
- **Judicial international cooperation tools in case of emergency** (October 2024)
- **Prosecuting transnational drug trafficking** (September 2024)
- **Enabling the evidential use of intelligence material** (September 2024)
- **Developing an effective case strategy** (August 2024)
- **The European Court of Human Rights - Interim measures - Legal framework and practical application in extradition cases** (August 2024)
- **The prosecution of radiological and nuclear crimes** (July 2024)
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