

# PROTOCOL

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## Training Committee Protocol



**IAP**  
INTERNATIONAL  
ASSOCIATION OF  
PROSECUTORS

# 1 Purpose

- a) This protocol regulates the authority and work of the **Training Committee**, established to implement the strategy, direction, and delivery of the IAP **Global Training Academy** (GTA).
- b) Article 8.2 of the IAP Constitution requires the IAP Executive Committee: “to assist members in accordance with the objects of the Association”.
- c) Article 1.3 of the Constitution identifies the objects of the IAP; these include, inter alia: “to promote and enhance those standards and principles which are generally recognised internationally as necessary for the proper and independent prosecution of offences; to promote the professional interests of prosecutors and to enhance recognition of their crucial role in achieving justice; to promote good relations between individual prosecutors and prosecution agencies; to facilitate the exchange and dissemination among them of information, expertise and experience, and, to that end, to encourage the use of information technology; to promote examination of comparative criminal law and procedure and to assist prosecutors engaged in justice reform projects, and to co-operate with international and judicial organisations in furtherance of the forgoing objects.”

# 2 In furtherance of the above, the IAP Executive Committee resolves that:

- a) There shall be established a **Training Committee** which is an advisory sub-committee of the Executive Committee.
- b) The Training Committee shall be responsible for ensuring that IAP members are provided with a coherent programme of training and capacity building that is globally and/or regionally accessible and developed in accordance with the aims and objectives of the **Global Training Academy Project Plan**, through partnerships with international and regional organisations, national authorities, and the private sector.
- c) The Training Committee shall prioritise partnerships and products that provide the Global Training Academy with support and resources for training prosecutors in the fields of:
  - I) Universal professional standards which transcend national perspectives.
  - II) Universal human rights and their application to the role of the prosecutor and the wider criminal justice system, and
  - III) International co-operation, specialist cross-border crime and other specialist areas that require expertise not ordinarily available to national training institutes.

- d) The Training Committee shall take appropriate measures to enable the GTA to bring together prosecutors from different jurisdictions and legal systems to build professional cross-border relationships, exchange knowledge and experience and share best practice.

### 3 Powers

- a) The Training Committee shall be responsible for the following matters:
  - I) Identifying and building strong relationships with international and regional organisations, associations, and the private sector.
  - II) Leveraging those partnerships in the development and execution of training products.
  - III) Assessing potential partnerships and training products and making recommendations to the Executive Committee.
  - IV) Assessing resources required for accomplishing the objectives under the Global Training Academy Project Plan and making recommendations to the Fundraising Committee and Executive Committee.
  - V) Implementing the GTA strategy with the support of the GTA project team.
  - VI) Regular review of the GTA action plan produced by the GTA project team.
  - VII) Management and regular review of operational performance of the GTA.
  - VIII) Optimisation and allocation of GTA resources.
- b) The Secretariat, assisted by the Training Committee, shall be responsible for arranging Memoranda of Understanding, Letters of Agreement, and other such formalities with partner organisations for approval by the Executive Committee and signature in accordance with Article 7 of the Constitution.
- c) Except as otherwise stated in this protocol, the Training Committee shall determine its own procedures.

### 4 Membership

- a) The Training Committee shall be comprised of at least five (5) persons who are either members of the Executive Committee or the Senate, drawn from a list of members of the Executive Committee and the Senate who have indicated a willingness to serve on the Training Committee as required.

- b) The Training Committee, and its Chair, will be appointed by the Executive Committee after consultation with the Chair of the Senate, for a three-year term, ending on the third anniversary of their appointments.
- c) The Chair of the Training Committee should aim for consensus on all decisions. If consensus cannot be reached, the Training Committee will make its decisions by a simple majority vote of members present.
- d) Members of the Training Committee are eligible for reappointment.
- e) No member of the Training Committee may remain in office should he/she cease to be a member of the Association.

## 5 Meetings

- a) The Training Committee will meet, as required, which is expected to be at least twice a year, either electronically or in person.
- b) The quorum for any meeting of the Training Committee shall be 3 or more of its membership.

## 6 Reporting

- a) The Training Committee shall report to the Executive Committee.
- b) The Training Committee shall report annually to the membership.

## 7 Review

- a) The terms of this protocol will be reviewed 1 year after its adoption by the Executive Committee and at the discretion of the Executive Committee thereafter.

**This Protocol was adopted by the Executive Committee of the International Association of Prosecutors at its meeting on 20-21 October 2021, in St. Petersburg, Russian Federation.**