



The International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law is happy to send you this e-Newsletter. Below you will find details of our most recent and upcoming events. You will also find links to our Website and Twitter pages for more information.



Message from the Executive Secretary



The IIJ team is pleased to share with you our latest IIJ Newsletter (Winter/Spring 2019), providing an update on IIJ programs and activities since the end of a busy and productive 2018. 2019 continues that trend, with the IIJ team already on track to deliver nine programs since the start of the new year. Your ongoing support and collaboration remain integral to the IIJ's continued growth and sustainable impact.

IIJ programming in 2019 includes innovative programs across our eight IIJ Core Initiatives, plus three new workstreams directly linked to priority areas identified by our stakeholders: battlefield evidence, and the development of two new IIJ core courses. On battlefield evidence, the IIJ is leading a review of non-binding guiding principles for collecting, storing, analysing, and using battlefield evidence in criminal investigations and prosecutions, recently endorsed by the US Departments of Defense, Justice and State. The IIJ is also excited to announce two new core courses held twice a year, which will address respectively the key challenges of (i) investigating and prosecuting CT cases and (ii) using intelligence-derived evidence in criminal cases.

In November 2018, with the support of our Governing Board of Administrators, the IIJ began implementing a five-year Sustainability Strategy and a Strategic Communications and Outreach Strategy, setting a firm foundation for the IIJ's continued growth. The Strategic Communication and Outreach Strategy identifies a range of priority areas across five thematic areas: outreach and contact management, knowledge management, products and publications, establishing an IIJ Advisory Board, and launching an IIJ Alumni Network.

I am also pleased to share that the IIJ signed a long-term lease agreement with the University of Malta's Valletta Campus – reflective of our strong conviction that the IIJ's partnership with the Government of Malta and the University will strengthen our delivery of future programs and complement our sustainability efforts.

Finally, I draw your attention to the [registration link](#) for an upcoming fee-based course on **Mediterranean Security and the Rule of Law**. This exciting program – a joint project between the IIJ and the University of Malta's Mediterranean Academy of Diplomatic Studies (MEDAC) – will be held in Valletta on 18-20 June 2019, and will bring together MEDAC's expertise on the challenges and opportunities affecting Mediterranean security and the IIJ's expertise on how rule of law-based responses to security challenges can

bolster regional security. We welcome your participation in this timely program and ask that you help us to circulate the registration link widely to interested participants. Thank you for reading this newsletter and best wishes from the entire IIJ team.



Thomas Wuchte
IIJ Executive Secretary



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Mediterranean Security & Rule of Law Course

Come to the heart of the Mediterranean and learn about the evolving security agenda and the importance of the rule of law...

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Registration closes on 15th March 2019.



Date
**June, 18-20
2019**



Duration
3 days



Location
**Valletta,
Malta**



**IIJ Investigations Initiative: Counter-Terrorism Extremism Network (CTEN) Mentoring
– Near Eastern Gulf**

October 25 - 30, 2018, Amman, Jordan

IIJ Senior CT Investigations Adviser Joe Connell and Program Assistant Joanna Jebaili debriefed Jordanian IIJ Investigations Initiative delegates in Jordan on 20 October 2018.

debriefed Jordanian investigators initiative delegates in Jordan on 29 October 2016. This progressive meeting considered further opportunities for developing counter terrorism intelligence and evidence collection capacity... [Read more](#)

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Senior Advisor [Joe Connell](#)



IIJ Judicial Capacity Building Initiative: Horn of Africa Regional Workshop, Turkey
November 06 - 08, 2018, Istanbul, Turkey

Over 40 judges, prosecutors and criminal justice officials from Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, Tanzania, Uganda and Turkey participated the Horn of Africa Regional Workshop on Good Practices for Pursuing and Adjudicating Terrorism Offenses... [Read More](#)

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager [Soufiane El Hamdi](#)



IIJ Juvenile Justice Initiative: Joint IIJ – UNODC South-East Asia Regional Workshop
November 19 - 21, 2018, Bangkok, Thailand

Organized jointly with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in Bangkok, Thailand, a regional practitioner workshop was held on juvenile justice in a counter-terrorism context. The workshop was held with the financial support of Canada and Switzerland and brought together judges, prosecutors, investigators, correction officers, social workers and lawyers from five South East Asian countries... [Read more](#)

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South East Asia Regional Workshop on Juvenile Justice in a Counter-Terrorism Context

19-21 November 2018 - Bangkok, Thailand



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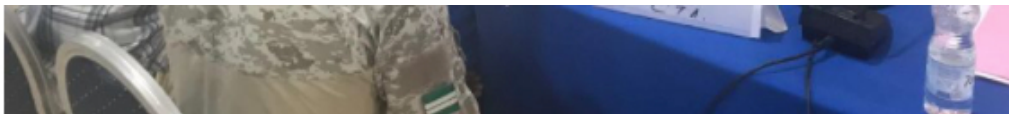
IIJ RFTF Initiative: Rehabilitation and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters – Capacity Building Workshop

December 03 - 07, 2018, Bamako, Mali

The workshop was held with the financial support of the Netherlands and brought together judges, prosecutors, investigators, correction officers, gendarmerie, social workers and religious leaders from various organizations in Mali... [Read more](#)

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RFTF Initiative: Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters – Capacity Building Workshop

January 22 - 24, 2019, N'Djamena, Chad

the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law (IJJ) convened a workshop on 'Applying The Hague-Marrakech Memorandum and Addendum to Coordinate an Effective Response to the TF-FTF-RFTF Phenomena in Chad' in N'Djamena, Chad. The workshop brought together judges... [Read more](#)

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IJJ Capacity Building Initiative: Prosecutors in the Southern Mediterranean

January 23 - 24, 2019, Beirut, Lebanon

The IJJ in partnership with the European Union organized on 23-24 January 2019 in Beirut, Lebanon an Expert Group Meeting (EGM) to review and finalize the Outline developed over the course of 2018 under the IJJ Capacity Building Program for Prosecutors and Investigative Magistrates in the Southern Extended Mediterranean Region. More than 20 experts from 13 countries took part of this meeting... [Read more](#)

For more information on this event, please email IJJ Program Manager [Soufiane El Hamdi](#)





The IIJ Annual Report 2018

Now available in [Arabic](#), [French](#) and [English](#).

All of our team appreciate you taking the time to read the 2018 IIJ Annual Report and we thank you for your ongoing support and engagement.

IIJ briefs the Global Counterterrorism Forum

January 24 - 25, 2019, Valletta, Malta

At the workshop, the United States presented a set of non-binding Guiding Principles on using battlefield evidence in the civilian criminal investigation and prosecution of terrorism crimes. The Guiding Principles were developed by the U.S. Departments of State, Justice, and Defense in response to concerns raised by counterterrorism partner countries... [Read more](#)

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager [Hop Wells](#)



IIJ Addressing Homegrown Terrorism Initiative: Implementing GCTF Rabat – Washington Good Practices on the Prevention, Detection, Intervention and Response to Homegrown Terrorism – Global Conference

January 28 - 29, 2019, Valletta, Malta

During the workshop, prosecutors, judges, law enforcement officers, policymakers and analysts reviewed the *Rabat-Washington Memorandum*, with particular focus on the good practices addressing the detection and intervention of homegrown terrorism. The practitioners examined successful national and regional detection and intervention programs and policies, and exchanged ideas for how to strengthen domestic information-sharing, and regional and international information-sharing mechanisms... [Read more](#)

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager [Miriam Shafik](#)





IJJ Global Central Authorities Initiative: Curriculum Development Expert Meeting
January 31 - February 01, 2019, Valletta, Malta

The IJJ welcomed criminal justice experts from eight countries and international organizations to Malta to contribute to the development of a dynamic new curriculum to support the implementation and operationalization of the [IJJ Good Practices for Central Authorities...](#) [Read more](#)

For more information on this event, please email IJJ Program Manager [Adrian Carbajo](#)



IJJ RFTF Initiative: Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Terrorist Fighters
February 12 - 14, 2019, Bamako, Mali

The IJJ convened the second in a series of four workshops in Bamako, Mali, on the rehabilitation and reintegration of terrorist fighters. The workshop was held with financial support from the Government of the Netherlands, and brought together judges, prosecutors, investigators, correction officers, gendarmerie, social workers and religious leaders from various organizations in Mali... [Read more](#)

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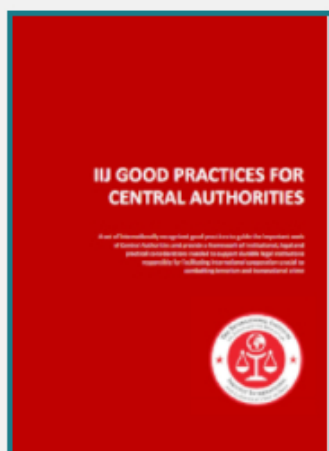


IIJ Core Curriculum: Using Intelligence to Generate Evidence for Terrorism Investigations and Prosecutions

February 12 - 13, 2019, Valletta, Malta

During the two-day workshop, the participants discussed the challenges that practitioners from different regions face in using intelligence information and materials in civilian criminal investigations and prosecutions of terrorism crimes. Practitioners presented on specific investigations they had led, cases they had prosecuted or adjudicated, and legislation they had relied on in their work... [Read more](#)

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IIJ launches its Good Practices for Central Authorities

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The *IIJ Good Practices for Central Authorities* are a set of ten good practices addressing the institutional, legal and practical considerations needed to create and support durable legal institutions... [Read more](#)

IIJ RFTF Initiative: Workshop on Criminal Justice Responses to Returning or Repatriated Foreign Terrorist Fighters and their Accompanying Family Members

February 26 - 28, 2018, Valletta, Malta

The workshop focused on practical approaches to assessing, investigating, prosecuting, adjudicating, rehabilitating, and reintegrating returning FTFs and their accompanying family members and, in so doing, support implementation of the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) *Good Practices on Addressing the Challenge of Returning Families of Foreign Terrorist Fighters*... [Read more](#)

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Looking ahead



- March, Spain: **GCTF Fifteenth Coordinating Committee**
- March, Lebanon: **IIJ Investigations Initiative: Counter-Terrorism Extremism Network (CTEN) Mentoring – Middle East**
- March, Malta: **IIJ Juvenile Justice Initiative: Practitioners' Notes - Focus Group Meeting**
- March, Malta: **IIJ Investigations Initiative: Malta Police Counter Terrorism Unit training**
- April, Chad: **IIJ RFTF Initiative: Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters – Capacity Building Workshop**
- April, Malta: **IIJ Battlefield Evidence: Workshop for Judges**
- June, Chad: **IIJ RFTF Initiative: Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters – Capacity Building Workshop**
- June, Tunisia: **IIJ Investigation Initiative: Tunisian National Workshop on Investigating and Prosecuting Terrorism Cases**
- June, Malta: **IIJ Addressing Homegrown Terrorism Initiative: Intervention focused Workshop**
- June, Mali: **IIJ RFTF Initiative: Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters – Capacity Building Workshop**
- June, Malta: **IIJ – MEDAC Mediterranean Security & Rule of Law – Certificate Program** [[Register for this course here](#)]

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