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 events and links to our website and Twitter pages for more information. French, and Arabic versions of the below are available forthcoming.

L'Institut International pour la Justice et l'Etat de droit est ravie de vous communiquer sa Newsletter. Ci-dessous vous trouverez les détails pour les événements les plus récents avec lien à notre site internet et page Twitter pour plus d'information. Les versions en français et en arabe suivront prochainement.

يسر المعهد الدولي للعدالة وقيادة القانون أن يرسل إليكم هذه الرسالة الإخبارية. تجدون أدناه تفاصيل أحدث برامج المعهد، وكذلك وصلات إلى موقعنا على الإنترنت وصفحتنا على تويتر وذلك لمن يرغب في المزيد من المعلومات. وستوفر قريبًا نسخ من هذه الرسالة باللغتين العربية والفرنسية.
Message from the Executive Secretary

On behalf of our team, I welcome you to read this third newsletter outlining our achievements within the last several months as well as a look ahead at our goals for the future. We hope you find it informative and we invite you to join us as we work towards excelling as an innovative institution within the international counterterrorism community. Since its inception, the IIJ has strived to provide partner countries in Africa, the Middle East, and most recently parts of Southeastern Europe and Asia, with comprehensive workshops, trainings, and seminars in a collaborative, neutral environment. To accomplish this objective, the IIJ has a growing team of professionals that hails now from over ten different countries. The IIJ recently launched several exciting initiatives, while continuing to manage a host of ongoing programs which address the full spectrum of counterterrorism strategies. For example in a few weeks, the IIJ is pleased to be partnering with Initiative Co-Leads - the United States and Morocco - on a new, year-long Initiative to Address Homegrown Terrorism (AHT) under the auspices of the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF). The launch event for this timely and important initiative will be held at the IIJ and will commence the process of developing new GCTF good practices on practical steps governments and practitioners can take to detect, intervene and address homegrown terrorism. 2018 will see our efforts focus beyond workshops, training, and seminars towards a strategic curriculum backed by a strong alumni network. We look forward to partnering with you.

Thomas Wuchte
IIJ Executive Secretary
The Nexus of Parliamentarians and Criminal Justice Actors in Counter Terrorism

October 24-25, 2017, Cairo, Egypt

During this 6th regional workshop on the role of parliamentarians in countering terrorism through the rule of law, judges and legislators from the Middle East, Africa and Europe shared national experiences in the implementation of the 11 Valletta recommendations. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Valerio de Divitiis
Investigation Leadership Workshop on Cross-Border and Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters

*October 24-27, 2017, Valletta, Malta*

Senior personnel from law enforcement, intelligence, borders and prosecution backgrounds attended an 'Investigation Leadership Workshop on Cross-Border and Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters. [Read more...](#)

*For more information on this event, please email IIJ Senior Advisor Joe Connell*

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Judicial Adjuction of Terrorism Cases in the Middle East and North Africa (MENA) Region

*October 11-13, 2017, Valletta, Malta*

The IIJ and CEELI Institute jointly held a three-day workshop in Malta for trial level judges from the MENA region with the overall objective to support their adjudication of terrorism cases based on the GCTF’s The Hague Memorandum on Good Practices for the Judiciary in Adjudicating Terrorism Offenses. Twenty seven judges from Algeria, Tunisia, Morocco, Lebanon, Jordan, Lebanon, Iraq, Egypt, Netherlands and the United States participated. The judicial workshop took stock of national and regional experiences. [Read more...](#)

*For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Soufiane El Hamdi*
IIJ Juvenile Justice Initiative: Regional Training
October 10-12, 2017, Yaounde, Cameroon

IIJ Engages Practitioners from Sahel in Workshop Focused on Juvenile Justice in a Counter Terrorism Context (Neuchatel Memo)– From October 10 to 13, 2017 in Yaounde, Cameroon, the IIJ led a regional Swiss funded workshop for practitioners, including judges, investigators, defense attorneys, and corrections officials, from 5 Sahel countries. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Valerio de Divitiis
Prison Officials from MENA Region

October 3-5, 2017, Turin, Italy

IIJ Introduces the Role of Probation and Parole Officers in Rehabilitating and Reintegrating RFTFs to prison officials from MENA region: On October 3 and 4, 2017, in collaboration with UNICRI and with support from the US, the IIJ, sponsored a 2-day workshop in Turin, Italy, for prison officials. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Monique Kamies.

The Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) Coordinating Committee and Ministerial Plenary Meetings

September 18-20, 2017, Valletta, Malta

The International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law (IIJ) briefed both the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) Coordinating Committee and Ministerial Plenary meetings during September 18-20, as well as participated in several side-events connected to the UN General Assembly. The IIJ staff highlighted the many ongoing programs and initiatives as a GCTF-inspired institution, working together with the GCTF to develop and implement practitioner-oriented programs. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Monique Kamies.
Planning and Designing Training Curricula on the Role of the Judiciary in Handling Terrorism Cases

September 12-14, 2017, Valletta, Malta

The IIJ hosted a workshop in Malta on how to design a training curriculum for the judiciary addressing some of the specific challenges associated with terrorism cases. The workshop, generously supported by the Federal Republic of Germany, gathered 28 magistrates and representatives of judicial training schools. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Allison Curtis

IIJ Prison Management Workshop Addressing Radicalization to Violence in Prisons

September 5-6, 2017, Turin, Italy
The IIJ, in cooperation with UNICRI, with funding from the U.S. Department of State, hosted a workshop on 5-6 September 2017 in Turin, Italy focusing on the key issues related to mitigating opportunities for terrorist recruitment and radicalization to violence in a prison setting. Read more...
For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Monique Kamies

Handling Terrorism Cases in the Ethiopia Criminal Justice System

August 21-25, 2017, Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

With support from the EU Delegation in Ethiopia, the IIJ hosted an EU funded 5-day workshop in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, for Ethiopian Judges, Prosecutors, Public Defenders and Private Lawyers. The workshop, part of the IIJ Judicial Initiative, brought together these practitioners to discuss common challenges such as heavy caseloads, high turnover and possible judicial interference. Read more...
For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Monique Kamies
Workshop on Counterterrorism Prison Intelligence
July 3-5, 2017, Valletta, Malta

The objective of the workshop was to raise awareness on the importance of CT Prison Intelligence, introduce participants to best practices in the field, and enhance their knowledge on practical prison intelligence processes and the methodologies required for a more advanced and systematic prison intelligence system. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Monique Kamies
Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters
June 28-30, 2017, Attard, Malta

The IIJ held its Opening Workshop of its Project “Rehabilitating and Reintegrating Returning Foreign Terrorist Fighters” in Attard with the support of the Netherlands and Canada. The objective of the Opening Workshop was for the IIJ to present the project’s capacity-building goals to the attendees and delineate a curriculum baseline building to support the implementation of the GCTF’s The Hague – Marrakech Addendum for implementation at a national level under the present project. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Monique Kamies.

United States Attorney General Jeff Sessions Delivers Keynote Remarks at the IIJ on 15 June as part of “Beyond FTFs: Disrupting and Prosecuting Plots Directed or Inspired by ISIS and Other Terrorist Organizations”
June 15, 2017, Valletta, Malta

United States Attorney General Jeff Sessions was the keynote speaker at a special joint session hosted by the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law (IIJ) in Valletta, Malta. In addition to the remarks of Attorney General Sessions, Maltese Minister of Justice Owen Bonnici and Maltese Minister of Home Affairs and National Security Michael Farrugia provided welcoming remarks and EU CT Coordinator Gilles de Kerchove provided keynote remarks on behalf of the European Union. Read more...

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager Allison Curtis.

Besides the IIJ contributed to various events organized by partner organizations including:

- GCTF Plenary Meeting of the West Africa Region Working Group
- Council of Europe Conference on Terrorism and Organised Crime
- Global Central Authorities Initiative at UNSC CTC Technical Consultations and Special Meeting on Resolution 2322
- COTER Meeting