



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.



Message from the Executive Secretary

It is an exciting and busy time in Malta with the beginning of its six month EU Presidency. The IIJ stands ready to continue our efforts to support the EU, as well as help operationalize the work of the Global Counterterrorism Forum, the United Nations and other international, national, and non-governmental organizations in addressing terrorism effectively and consistently with the rule of law. As reflected in this newsletter, IIJ programs are implementing GCTF documents, such as *The Hague Memorandum*, the *Rabat Memorandum*, the *Neuchâtel Memorandum*, the *Valletta Recommendations*, *The Addendum to The Hague Marrakech Memorandum*, and more generally the *Life Cycle Initiative*. In the coming months, the IIJ plans to hold additional programs focusing on turning intelligence into evidence and strengthening Central Authorities. Read the full message on the [IIJ website](#)



Robert Strang
IIJ Executive Secretary



Assessing the Country Action Plans: Achievements and Limitations

February 1-2, 2017, Dakar, Senegal

The event was a follow-on event to a judicial training program focusing on implementing the GCTF *The Hague Memorandum on Good Practices for the Judiciary in Adjudicating Terrorism Offenses*, which was held in July 2016 at the IIJ and which had culminated in the participants developing Country Action Plans to implement as practical measures at national level to more effectively adjudicate terrorism cases. [Read more...](#)

For more information on this event, please email IJJ Program Manager [Maryam El Hajbi](mailto:Maryam.ElHajbi@un.org)



Implementation of the GCTF Neuchâtel Memorandum on Good practices for Juvenile Justice in a Counterterrorism Context Strategy Meeting

January 20, 2017, Valletta, Malta

The IJJ convened a strategy meeting in Malta to determine how to promote awareness and operationalize of the GCTF Neuchâtel Memorandum on Good Practices for Juvenile Justice in a Counterterrorism Context. The Neuchâtel Memorandum – a Swiss-led initiative, with the support of the IJJ – was endorsed by the Global Counterterrorism Forum (GCTF) in September 2016. [Read more...](#)

For more information on this event, please email IJJ Program Manager [Valerio de Divitiis](mailto:Valerio.deDivitiis@un.org)



Criminal Justice Actors' Role in Countering Violent Extremism Workshop

January 18-19, 2017, Valletta, Malta

National-level judges, prosecutors, correction officers and other justice and law enforcement and CVE practitioners convened in Malta together international and community-level organisations experts to discuss techniques and share practices with regard to the range of interventions and different perspectives to address violent extremism phenomenon. [Read more...](#)

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The Hague Memorandum Judicial Workshop for Judges from the MENA Region

December 14-16, 2016, Valletta, Malta

The IJJ hosted the second of two Dutch-funded IJJ workshops that target trial level judges from the Sahel and Maghreb regions with the overall objective to establish effective criminal justice systems to address the terrorism threat [Read more...](#)

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IJJ Provides Briefing to the United Nations Security Council in New York

December 12, 2016, New York

IJJ Executive Secretary Robert Strang was one of three high-level briefers to the UN Security Council on international judicial cooperation and extradition in connection with the

consideration and adoption of UNSC Resolution 2322

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Efforts to Address Prison Radicalization- Expert Meeting

December 12-13, 2016, Valletta, Malta

40 experts representing 15 countries and 6 international organisations came to the IIJ to discuss a variety of matters aimed at preventing prisons from becoming incubators of terrorists and violent extremism followers [Read more...](#)

For more information on this event, please email IIJ Program Manager [Valerio de Divitiis](#)



Horn of Africa Judicial Program, in Support of the GCTF “The Hague Memorandum on Good Practices for the Judiciary in Adjudicating Terrorism Offenses”

November 28 - December 1, 2016, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania

The workshop focused on specific issues relating to fair trial and trial management, victims and witness protection, admissibility of evidence, digital forensics, mutual legal assistance and the admissibility of evidence gathered in foreign jurisdictions, the use and protection of intelligence information, the treatment of minors involved in terrorism related activities, the role of the media, and sentencing determinations. [Read more...](#)

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Culminating Meeting on Enhancing the Role of Parliamentarians in Building Effective Counterterrorism Systems within a Rule of Law Framework

November 8-9, 2016, Valletta, Malta

The IIJ hosted thirty-nine parliamentarians from twenty countries and inter-parliamentary fora from Africa, Middle-East, and Europe countries, together with international Counter Terrorism experts, to discuss the role of parliamentarians in pursuing counter terrorism policies within a the rule of law.

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Judicial Adjudication of Terrorism Cases in the Middle East and North Africa

November 1-3, 2016, Valletta, Malta

The IIJ and CEELI Institute jointly held a three-day workshop in Malta for trial judges and judicial training institutes from the MENA region with the overall objective to support their

adjudication of terrorism cases

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