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PREFACE

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Colleagues and Friends,

IACA has marked its sixth anniversary this month with a unique new master's degree focusing on the business sector, prestigious recognition for our Master in Anti-Corruption Studies, and an innovative research fellowship programme.

We are also strengthening ties with INTERPOL, one of IACA's initiating partners, and deepening cooperation with stakeholders around the world.

All this and more is inside our first newsletter of 2017. Enjoy the read!

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With best regards from Laxenburg/Vienna,

Martin KREUTNER

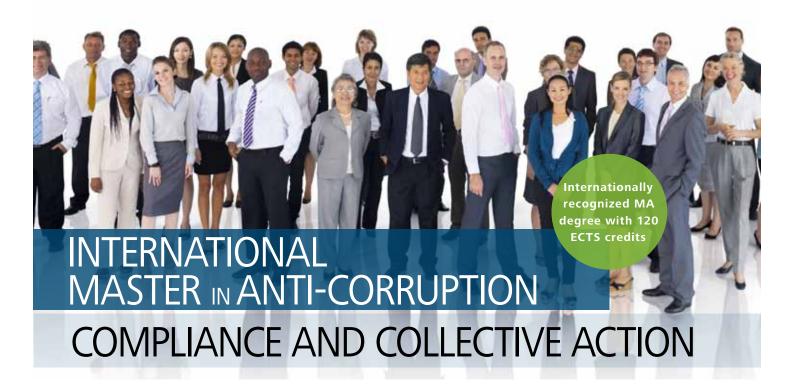
Dean & Executive Secretary of IACA

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A NEW IACA MASTER'S DEGREE



IACA is now inviting applications for its new International Master in Anti-Corruption Compliance and Collective Action (IMACC), which begins in October this year.

The IMACC is the world's first master's programme specially designed for anti-corruption compliance and collective action professionals involved in the business sector. It offers a practical, comprehensive answer to the ever-evolving regulatory environment and rising demand for specialized skills in these fields.

The two-year, in-career course consists of six modules that combine intensive in-class sessions and distance learning, as well as a practical final project or thesis. Graduating students receive an internationally recognized MA degree with 120 ECTS credits under the EU's Bologna process.

The application deadline is 30 June 2017. For more details and to apply, please visit **imacc.iaca.int**

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IACA CELEBRATES ITS SIXTH ANNIVERSARY



On 8 March IACA marked its sixth anniversary as an international organization by welcoming dozens of distinguished guests to a festive reception at its Laxenburg campus.

H.E. Mr. Rafael Grossi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the Argentine Republic to the International Organizations in Vienna and President of the Fifth Session of IACA's Assembly of Parties, emphasized the importance of the Academy's work in the context of realizing the UN's 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development.

In addition, Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, thanked IACA's staff, its constituency including host country Austria, members of the Boards and the Bureau of the Assembly of Parties, and the organization's many other partners and stakeholders for their support.

MoU WITH INTERPOL

On 7 February, IACA and INTERPOL concluded a memorandum of understanding (MoU) that paves the way for the two organizations to cooperate more closely in the global fight against corruption. Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, signed the agreement with Mr. Jürgen Stock, Secretary General of INTERPOL, at the world police body's headquarters in Lyon, France.



The MoU marks a significant strengthening of relations between IACA and INTERPOL, which was one of the Academy's initiating partners alongside the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), and the Republic of Austria.





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2017 PROGRAMME UPDATE

There is still time to apply for a number of IACA's upcoming programmes and trainings:



MASTER IN ANTI-CORRUPTION STUDIES

October 2017 - December 2019

The fifth edition of our unique degree programme

Application deadline: 31 May

APPLY NOW

SUMMER ACADEMY

30 June - 7 July, IACA campus

Our annual flagship programme, now in its seventh year

Application deadline: 17 April

APPLY NOW

"BEST OF" SEMINAR WITH DRAGO KOS 4 – 5 July, IACA campus

Discuss anti-corruption with the Chair of the OECD Working Group on Bribery

Registration deadline: 16 April

APPLY NOW

ANTI-CORRUPTION IN LOCAL GOVERNANCE TRAINING 10 – 14 July, IACA campus

A one-week programme on strengthening integrity at the local level

Application deadline: 7 April

APPLY NOW

PROCUREMENT ANTI-CORRUPTION TRAINING

17 July – 18 August, IACA campus and home-based

One week at IACA (31 July to 4 August) plus four weeks of distance learning

Application deadline: 18 April

APPLY NOW

Please visit www.iaca.int for further details and stay tuned for new 2017 programme announcements in the coming weeks.



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EAEUtraining

OECDforum

EURASIAN ECONOMIC UNION TRAINING

Applications are open for IACA's second tailor-made training designed for professionals from Eurasian Economic Union (EAEU) Member States.



The programme, co-sponsored by the Russian Federation, runs from 2 to 4 October 2017. It aims to build a common knowledge base and strengthen capacities to effectively prevent and combat corruption in the region.

The deadline for applications is 6 June 2017. The tuition fee, accommodation, meals, and local transportation are covered by the organizers. For more information and to apply, visit us at **www.iaca.int**.



IACA-GIZ EVENT AT THE OECD INTEGRITY FORUM



IACA and German development agency GIZ will host a joint event on "Anti-Corruption Strategies for Small and Medium Enterprises" at the 2017 OECD Integrity Forum in Paris next week.

The international panel discussion on 31 March will examine the role of small and medium-sized enterprises (SMEs) in the global fight against corruption. Speakers will address challenges and opportunities for SMEs related to recent ISO compliance and anti-bribery standards, creating a culture of integrity, reducing the vulnerability of SMEs to corruption through their increased participation in public decision-making, and incentivizing the implementation of anti-corruption practices within smaller enterprises.

Please click here for speaker details and further information.

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IACA BOARD OF GOVERNORS MEETS



The IACA Board of Governors held its first meeting of 2017 at the Academy's premises in Laxenburg on 7 and 8 March.

In its deliberations the Board discussed current institutional and academic developments at IACA, preparations for the sixth session of the Assembly of Parties, and the first draft of IACA's next Work Programme, including input from Member States. It also unanimously re-elected Mr. Eduardo Vetere as Chairperson and Prof. Pakdee Pothisiri as Vice Chairperson.

THE MACS IN SELECT COMPANY

IACA's Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) has once again been included by the Indian Government on a select and most prestigious list along with programmes offered by just five of the world's leading universities.

The Indian Government recognizes and supports the MACS – together with long-term training programmes at Harvard, Oxford, Johns Hopkins, Duke, and Cambridge universities, only – under the Government's Domestic Funding of Foreign Training (DFFT) Scheme.

This means that Indian public officials participating in the MACS programme are eligible to have their programme fee, travel, and accommodation paid by the Indian Government.

IACA is proud to be in such esteemed academic company.

RESEARCH FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMME

IACA has introduced a new research fellowship programme for highly qualified and motivated young researchers in the areas of anti-corruption, compliance, and/or collective action.

The fellowships will last for three months and give successful candidates the opportunity to conduct innovative research under the guidance of an IACA team member. Applications may be submitted at any time. Please visit our website for more details.



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KUWAIT PLEDGES 100,000 USD TO IACA



On 9 February, Kuwait pledged a voluntary financial contribution of 100,000 USD to IACA in 2017 to support the Academy's work in empowering anti-corruption and compliance professionals around the world.

H.E. Mr. Sadiq M. Marafi, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of the State of Kuwait to the International Organizations in Vienna, announced the pledge during a meeting at IACA with Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary.

IACA MISSION TO MALAYSIA

On 19 and 20 February, Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, was in Malaysia for several high-level meetings and the signing of a memorandum of understanding between IACA and the Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM), the country's largest university.

During his visit, Mr. Kreutner had fruitful discussions with H.E. Senator Datuk Paul Low Seng Kuan, the Minister in the Prime Minister's Department in charge of Governance, Integrity, and Human Rights, to elaborate on further cooperation between IACA and Malaysia.





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IACA STRENGTHENS MACS STUDENTS LINKS WITH LATIN **AMERICA**

On 1 March Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, gave a keynote speech in Lima at the VII International Anti-Corruption Conference, an annual gathering organized by the Office of the Comptroller General of the Republic of Peru that brings together experts from around the world.



During its mission the IACA delegation also had bilateral meetings with counterparts from Chile, Colombia, El Salvador, and Peru to discuss further cooperation in the fight against corruption.

ON CAMPUS



Students from both of the current Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) classes were recently at IACA for the in-class parts of their respective modules.

The MACS 2015 – 2017 group was on campus from 16 to 27 January for its sixth module on Corruption, Enforcement, and the Public Sector, and the 2016 - 2018 students were at IACA from 6 to 17 February for their second module, which focused on Politics and Corruption.





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INDIAN BUSINESS CONFERENCE

Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, gave a keynote address on 21 February to an international conference on ethical business practices hosted by the Confederation of Indian Industry (CII) in New Delhi.

Mr. Kreutner also had meetings with the heads of India's Central Vigilance Commission, the CII–ITC Center of Excellence for Sustainable Development, and the United Nations Global Compact Network India to discuss further collaboration between IACA and their organizations.



IACA DISCUSSES FURTHER COOPERATION WITH THE GCC



Stronger cooperation was the main theme of a meeting on 1 February between Mr. Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, and Mohammed Saleh Al-Gheilani, Permanent Observer for the Cooperation Council of the Arab States of the Gulf (GCC) in Vienna.

IACA and the GCC are continuing to explore possible ways of preventing and combating corruption through joint programmes and trainings, capacity-building and awareness-raising activities, regional meetings, and other events.





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DEEPER TIES WITH MONGOLIA



Mr. Abu Kassim bin Mohamed, who was a visiting expert at IACA from October 2016 to January 2017, represented the Academy at a conference in Ulaanbaatar in January to celebrate the tenth anniversary of Mongolia's Independent Authority Against Corruption (IAAC).

Mr. bin Mohamed delivered a keynote address at the conference and also met the IAAC's Commissioner General and other senior officers to discuss areas of potential cooperation between the two organizations.

IACAvacancies

CURRENT VACANCIES

Interested in becoming part of our dynamic team? IACA currently has new job openings and invites qualified candidates to send their applications. You can find further details in the Vacancies/Tenders section of our website.

NEW IACA STAFF

Professor Michael Johnston, a global pioneer in anti-corruption research for 40 years, has joined IACA's in-house faculty as a Distinguished Professor.

Prof. Johnston, the Charles A. Dana Professor of Political Science Emeritus at Colgate University, was a member of IACA's frequent visiting faculty for several years and lectured in a number of its programmes and trainings, including the Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS).



As well as continuing to teach in the MACS and supervise master's theses, he will also lecture in this year's IACA Summer Academy and the fourth Alumni Reunion on 6 and 7 July. Furthermore, Prof. Johnston will support and supervise a small number of students in IACA's PhD programme and provide general academic advice and support to the Academy.

"We are sincerely delighted to welcome Professor Johnston, a worldleading luminary and longstanding supporter of IACA, in this new role," said Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary. "Our organization will benefit greatly from his further involvement in our educational activities, while even more anti-corruption and compliance professionals around the world will be inspired by his expertise and passion for empowerment."



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