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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,
Dear Colleagues and Friends,

With this newsletter, we are pleased to provide you with IACA's latest institutional developments, programmes, and events.



We would also like to inform you that since the last issue, Georgia has joined IACA as a Party and the Qatari Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption Centre has become our newest memorandum of understanding partner.

We hope you enjoy the read and we invite you to visit our website for more detailed information.

With best regards,

Martin KREUTNER
Dean & Executive Secretary of IACA

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MASTER IN ANTI-CORRUPTION STUDIES

APPLY BY 30 JUNE

"The knowledge and skills we obtained from attending the MACS programme has not only changed our lives but will also be used positively towards contributing to the fight against corruption in our respective countries, continents, and the entire world."

MACS

MASTER IN ANTI-CORRUPTION STUDIES

These were the words of graduates of the first cohort of our flagship Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS).

Only a few days remain to apply to the third cycle of this unique international academic programme, starting in October 2015. **The application deadline is 30 June.**

The MACS is a two-year, in career programme designed for working professionals who wish to remain fully employed while pursuing their degree. Focusing on an advanced study of anti-corruption and compliance, it was developed against an inter-disciplinary background, drawing on the best of the public sector and the business world. The MACS is formally accredited under the laws of IACA's seat state, Austria, in accordance with the European Bologna Process.

Professionals with an undergraduate degree and at least three years of work experience in areas related to corruption and/or compliance are encouraged to apply. □

FOURTH ASSEMBLY OF PARTIES - DECEMBER 2015

After Bangkok in 2013 and Baku in 2014, IACA's Assembly of Parties will return this year to Vienna, where it convened for the first time in 2012.

This fourth session of the Assembly will take place in the second week of December. States and international organizations wishing to be Parties in time and thus enjoy voting rights are called to deposit their respective instruments of ratification/ accession at their earliest convenience but not later than the beginning of October.



Major topics on the agenda this year include achievements in implementing IACA's Work Programme, the elections for the Board of Governors, the 2016 budget, and fundraising.

As in previous years, the Assembly will feature a high-level segment where ministerial representation is encouraged. Interested organizations will also have the opportunity to host side events. States and international organizations that are not members of IACA are welcome to attend the fourth session as Observers. More information will be circulated soon. □

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PROCUREMENT ANTI-CORRUPTION TRAINING

APPLY BY 5 JULY

We invite you to join us for the third edition of IACA's Procurement Anti-Corruption Training, taught by leading public procurement experts Christopher Yukins and Max Kaiser Aranda, and enriched by distinguished guest lecturers. **Applications close on 5 July.**



The course aims to reduce corruption in public procurement by training professionals from around the world in sound anti-corruption strategies. It will take place from 24 August to 18 September, combining one week of on-site training at IACA (7 - 11 September) with three weeks of distance learning.

The training is open to professionals with a minimum of three years of work experience dealing with procurement issues.



TAILOR-MADE TRAININGS FOR THE IOI AND ACRC

Tailor-made trainings are one of IACA's capacity-building services and are custom-designed in response to the unique requirements of an organization, authority, or corporation.



IACA recently delivered two such trainings for long-standing partners – the International Ombudsman Institute (IOI) and the Anti-Corruption and Civil Rights Commission (ACRC) of the Republic of Korea. Both served as a follow-up to earlier workshops.

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The second tailor-made training for the IOI, concentrating on procurement and integrity issues, brought together 43 ombudsmen and parliamentary staff from 14 countries in Willemstad, Curacao, on 27 and 28 May.

Twenty-six (26) officials from the ACRC participated in the Commission's third custom-designed training in Laxenburg from 11 - 17 June, focusing on general anti-corruption topics, fraud prevention, and organizational integrity issues. □

ZIMBABWEAN ANTI-CORRUPTION LEADER RECEIVES SUMMER ACADEMY SCHOLARSHIP

A prominent parliamentarian from Zimbabwe will attend the IACA Summer Academy in July on a scholarship provided by IACA in partnership with the Global Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption (GOPAC).

The Honourable Willias Madzimore, a dedicated anti-corruption leader, has made numerous strides nationally, regionally, and globally to fight corruption. These include developing a code of conduct that was used as a blueprint for the Parliament of Zimbabwe's Code of Conduct.

IACA previously agreed to offer a Summer Academy scholarship to the winner of GOPAC's inaugural International Anti-Corruption Award. GOPAC presented the award to the Honourable Ali Ashal, a parliamentarian from Yemen, on 10 June. As Mr. Ashal is unable to attend the programme, IACA and GOPAC are proud to offer the scholarship to Mr. Madzimore, a fellow nominee. □

IACA CALLS FOR ROBUST ANTI-CORRUPTION EFFORTS AT THE 13th UN CRIME CONGRESS

The Academy took part in the 13th United Nations Crime Congress in Doha, Qatar, from 12 to 19 April, where over 4,000 policymakers and practitioners gathered to consider how best to integrate crime prevention and criminal justice into the wider United Nations agenda.



Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary of IACA, addressed Ministers and other distinguished government representatives at the high-level segment, calling for a robust anti-corruption component in the Post-2015 Development Agenda.

"Corruption is the antithesis vis-à-vis human rights, the venom vis-à-vis the rule of law, the poison for prosperity and development, the reverse of equity and equality," he said, cautioning that all Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) run the risk of being severely undermined by corruption. "Investing in anti-corruption education and empowerment is the smart

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way towards sustainable development, safeguarding human rights, and strengthening the rule of law," he added.

The Academy also held a side event on the role of education in promoting the implementation of the SDGs, had an information stand on its programmes and activities, and participated in various high-level events, workshops, and bilateral meetings throughout the week.

The United Nations Crime Congress adopted the Doha Declaration, just months ahead of the major United Nations summit to adopt the Post-2015 Development Agenda in New York in September. □

MALAYSIA PLEDGES 50,000 EUR TO IACA

The Government of Malaysia contributed 50,000 EUR to IACA's general budget in April. The financial assistance will support the growing work of the organization and facilitate the implementation of the Work Programme 2014 - 2016, adopted by the Assembly of Parties in 2013.



Malaysia has been one of IACA's strongest partners since the Academy's establishment and joined as a State Party in January 2012. □

SAUDI ARABIA AND IACA STRENGTHEN COOPERATION

In late May, an IACA delegation led by Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary, paid a visit to Saudi Arabia for the first time since the country became Party to the IACA Agreement in 2013.

The delegation was received by national institutions mandated with safeguarding the rule of law and met with a number



of distinguished officials. They included H.E. Dr. Khaled bin Abdulmohsen Al-Mehaisen, President of the National Anti-Corruption Commission, and H.E. Dr. Mohammed Amin Ahmad Jefri, Vice President of the Shura Council, among others.

Both sides agreed to strengthen their cooperation and to jointly organize trainings in the Gulf region in the near future. □

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AN ACTION- PACKED JULY

The IACA campus will be bustling with participants and alumni throughout July, with four different programmes scheduled.

○ **Summer Academy** (2 - 11 July) - the fifth annual Summer Academy will welcome around 80 professionals from 51 countries who are looking to consolidate their experiences and enlarge their competences to better counter corruption. The programme is co-sponsored by the Siemens Integrity Initiative.

○ **"Best of" Luis Moreno Ocampo** (8 - 9 July) - in the latest of the "Best of" seminars, Luis Moreno Ocampo, the first Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court (2003 – 2012), will share his vast experiences in investigating and prosecuting grand corruption cases.

○ **Alumni Reunion** (9 - 10 July) - alumni from IACA's academic degree programmes, and from its standardized and tailor-made trainings, will come together for the second action-packed alumni reunion featuring lectures, a roundtable, and networking activities.

○ **Anti-Corruption in Local Governance Training** (13 - 17 July) - the second edition of this training aims to empower participants with tools to address key integrity issues at the municipal and regional levels in response to global urbanization trends. □



33rd CAMBRIDGE SYMPOSIUM ON ECONOMIC CRIME

The 33rd Cambridge Symposium on Economic Crime will take place at Jesus College, University of Cambridge, from 6 to 13 September.



Entitled "The Limits of the Law - the role of compliance in the 21st century", the symposium will focus on the vital role that compliance plays in promoting integrity and reinforcing the law. More than 350 speakers and panelists are foreseen.

This non-profit event is supported by IACA for the third year in a row. In 2014, it attracted well over 1,600 participants from 100 countries.

To register, please visit www.crimesymposium.org/reg.html.
The registration deadline is 14 August. □

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Richard Eames (United Kingdom) joined IACA in April as Senior Coordinator for Advocacy & Communications. He has 20 years of international

experience in communications roles and was previously at the top-ranked IMD business school in Switzerland. Before that Richard spent ten years at The Economist Group in London, Vienna, and Geneva. He began his career as a journalist covering politics and business in the United States, Hungary, and Lebanon.



Eugenio Ignacio Curia (Argentina) joined IACA in April as Junior Legal Advisor and Project Officer. He holds a Law degree from the Universidad de San Andres

(UDES) in Buenos Aires, with specialization in International Law. His professional experiences include the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA), and International Centre for Asset Recovery (ICAR).

Dedicated interns from around the world have supported IACA's work since its establishment. At present, they include **Michael Bitzan** (Austria), **Alexander Frank** (United States), **Wiebke Junge** (Germany), **Nina Lavrenteva** (Russian Federation), and **Siobhan Williams** (Australia).

CURRENT VACANCIES

Interested in becoming part of our dynamic team? IACA currently has new job openings and invites qualified candidates to send their applications. More detailed information can be found in the Vacancies/Tenders section of the website.

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