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Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Dear Colleagues and Friends,

Before entering the holiday season on this side of the globe, we have produced a summer edition of our newsletter to highlight IACA's latest trainings and the impact they are having on anti-corruption professionals around the world.



This issue also features IACA's participation this week at the Third United Nations International Conference on Financing for Development in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, as well as a recent resolution from the UN General Assembly Human Rights Council recognizing our work.

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

With best regards,

Martin KREUTNER  
Dean & Executive Secretary of IACA

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## UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY HUMAN RIGHTS COUNCIL COMMENDS IACA

The Human Rights Council of the United Nations General Assembly adopted Resolution 29/11 at its twenty-ninth regular session in Geneva on 2 July.

In recognizing the negative impact of corruption on human rights and sustainable development and the importance of anti-corruption education in combatting corruption, the resolution notes with appreciation the capacity-building activities and specialized curricula developed by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and IACA, respectively.

The Human Rights Council, whose 47 Member States are elected by the United Nations General Assembly, serves as an inter-governmental body within the United Nations system. It is responsible for strengthening the promotion and protection of human rights around the globe and for addressing situations of human rights violations and making recommendations on them.



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IACA was welcomed to the United Nations General Assembly as an observer in December 2013. □

## LUIS MORENO OCAMPO SHARES THE "BEST OF" HIS WORK

The fifth in the IACA series of "Best of" seminars took place on 8 and 9 July and featured Luis Moreno Ocampo, the first Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court. More than a dozen professionals from around the world took part. Luis Moreno Ocampo was at IACA to share experiences from



his career of seeking justice in the face of adversity; from presenting charges against some of the most heinous human rights violators of the 21st century to his involvement in the precedent-setting Argentinian Junta Trials.

Participants discussed grand corruption and ethics, the functioning of corrupt networks, the role of international organizations, and the use of legal frameworks in controlling international corruption. Ocampo touched upon case studies related to Siemens, Vladimiro Montesinos, FIFA, SNC-Lavalin, the Padma Bridge Project, and Glaxo.

The seminar concluded with a discussion about the need for global action and possible economic incentives to fight corruption. "IACA is becoming the hub where best ideas and practices against corruption can be spread around the world," Luis Moreno Ocampo explains. □

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## IACA HONOURS MACS 2012 - 2014 GRADUATES

Four more participants from IACA's first Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) programme graduated at a sunlit campus on 10 July.

They are:

- Mr. Baba M. BORKAI (Liberia)
- Ms. Tanunchanat LUECHA (Thailand)
- Mr. P. Ganason S. PERIATHAMBY (Malaysia)
- Mr. Robert E. SCHÜTZ (Austria)



The ceremony took place after all four successfully defended their master's theses in front of an international academic Defence Committee. Their graduation means that 26 participants from the inaugural 2012 – 2014 MACS class have now received their master's degrees.

Mr. Borkai then spoke on behalf of the graduating participants, expressing their thanks and appreciation to IACA's International Academic Advisory Board, Dean, faculty,

and staff. He also had some inspiring words for his fellow MACS graduates.

"You have shown how committed you are to fighting corruption whenever and wherever you see it. But you should also know that corruption fights back. Do not be deterred, let the truth be your guide and your defence," he concluded.

The new graduates then enjoyed a reception and dinner with family, friends, faculty, and other distinguished guests.



## SUMMER ACADEMY 2015

### An assembly of professionals

The fifth IACA Summer Academy took place from 2 to 11 July, bringing together close to 80 diverse professionals from more than 40 countries and generating excellent feedback.

"It was a terrific assembly of professionals who left IACA on Saturday afternoon (11 July) feeling greatly privileged to have enjoyed the intensive course in such a gorgeous environment and with such a terrific group of people," says Maija Burtmanis, a compliance expert and participant from Australia.

The curriculum provided a close look into the hottest topics



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in anti-corruption and compliance, exposing participants to the practitioner, policy, and academic aspects and enabling them to bridge the gap between theory and practice. They had a chance to hear from 20 international experts, examine corruption through an interdisciplinary lens, and profit from the knowledge and experiences of their peers.

Lecturers came from IACA, the World Bank, the OECD, Harvard Law School, Australian National University, Colgate University, the Institute for Legislation and Comparative Law under the Russian Federation Government, the International Association of Anti-Corruption Authorities (IAACA), the Global Organization of Parliamentarians against Corruption (GOPAC), national anti-corruption authorities such as SAR Hong Kong's ICAC, and many other leading institutions.

Apart from lectures and group work, the Summer Academy offered two roundtables, on the costs of corruption and prosecuting grand corruption, as well as an ethics hike and social events.

The programme will be back at IACA next July. In November of this year, IACA will hold a regional Summer Academy for Latin America in Buenos Aires, Argentina, and it plans another regional programme in East Africa next year. □

## IACA THANKS SIEMENS FOR 5 YEARS OF SUPPORT

The Siemens Integrity Initiative has co-sponsored IACA's Summer Academy since 2011, allowing for subsidized fees for all participants and full scholarships for some from Least Developed Countries. This engagement has supported a total of 349 participants from 104 countries to attend the programme over five years.

As a token of appreciation, Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary of IACA, presented Klaus Moosmayer, Chief Compliance Officer of Siemens, with an infographic on how the programme has empowered professionals.



Besides key statistics about the Summer Academy, the infographic includes former participants' stories about the positive impact the programme has had on their lives. One says that the network he created helped him revamp his country's anti-corruption strategy, another explains how the lessons learned contributed to her recently published book, and a third says that the insights he was exposed to inspired him to found an NGO.

The Siemens Integrity Initiative is part of the World Bank-Siemens comprehensive settlement. In 2009, the company launched a global initiative of 100 million USD to support organizations and projects which are dedicated to fighting corruption and fraud through collective action, education, and training. The World Bank has the audit rights over the use of all these funds. □

## IACA PROMOTES ANTI-CORRUPTION EDUCATION AT FfD CONFERENCE

IACA delivered a strong anti-corruption message this week at the Third United Nations International Conference on Financing for Development, FfD in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia.

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This major global conference, which runs from 13 - 16 July, is discussing how to finance the UN Post-2015 Development Agenda and the proposed Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). It comes shortly before the United Nations summit to adopt the Post-2015 Development Agenda in New York in September.

In his speech during the high-level segment, Martin Kreutner, Dean and Executive Secretary of IACA, said that the fight against corruption needs to be a most prominent part of the Post-2015 agenda. He emphasized that investing in anti-corruption education and empowering professionals is the smart way towards sustainable development, safeguarding human rights, and strengthening the rule of law.



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"When I consider our chances of success, I feel both optimistic and afraid," Kreutner said. "I am optimistic that the sustainable development agenda is achievable - provided we work together to turn the tide towards greater prosperity and equity. But I am also afraid that all the SDGs - and their financing - run the risk of being severely undermined by corruption."

Kreutner also had bilateral meetings with several high-level delegates to the conference, participated in various roundtables, and held a press briefing for international journalists. In addition, the IACA delegation organized a side event on how anti-corruption education can contribute to sustainable development. □

## MACS 2014-2016 PARTICIPANTS AT IACA FOR MODULE IV

The participants in IACA's 2014 - 2016 Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) programme are on campus until 24 July for the in-class phase of Module IV, which focuses in particular on Anti-Corruption, Law and International Initiatives.

To see what some of them are saying about the programme so far, please click here.

Module IV features four leading experts who are all regular lecturers at IACA. They are Nikos Passas, a Professor at the School of Criminology and Criminal Justice at Northeastern University in Boston and a member of the MACS Programme Consortium; Robert Klitgaard, a University Professor at



Claremont Graduate University; Andrew Spalding, Assistant Professor at the University of Richmond School of Law; and Moritz Birk, Senior Project Officer and a researcher at the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights, University of Vienna.

Thirty-one working professionals, including government officials, public relations officers, humanitarian workers, and compliance managers, are taking part in MACS 2014-

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2016. They come from 20 jurisdictions, namely Afghanistan, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Brazil, El Salvador, Germany, India, Italy, Kosovo, Malaysia, Netherlands, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, South Sudan, Switzerland, Tanzania, Thailand, and Uganda.

The 2015 - 2017 MACS, the third edition of the programme, will start in October this year. The application deadline recently closed after IACA received high levels of interest from all continents. □

## STORIES FROM THE 2<sup>nd</sup> IACA ALUMNI REUNION

Many former participants from IACA's academic degree programmes, standardized, and tailor-made trainings came together on 9 and 10 July for the second Alumni Reunion. They represented 20 different countries – from Malaysia to Poland, from Guinea to the United Kingdom.



Old friendships were rekindled and new ones made during the day and a half of roundtables, lectures, and festivities. Luis Moreno Ocampo, the first Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, led an interactive session on the corruption-human rights nexus, while Mary C. Gentile, Director of Giving Voice to Values, shared her innovative values-driven leadership approach.

Alumna Wendy Oliviero, a diplomat from the Dominican Republic, said: "The IACA Alumni Reunion is an extraordinary platform for networking and exchanging good practices and difficulties in the prevention of and fight against corruption. It is highly valuable for me to enhance my knowledge about UNCAC with practical experiences shared by qualified lecturers and fellows from all sectors and regions."

The reunion was rewarding for the lecturers too. "I am always gratified to be able to share the 'Giving Voice to Values' approach with wide and varying audiences around the world," Mary C. Gentile explains. "But it was particularly inspiring to do so with a group of such committed and talented professionals at the IACA Alumni Reunion. I can truly say that it was an honour to meet and learn from them."

Alumni also joined the Summer Academy participants for a roundtable on investigating grand corruption cases and an evening of dinner, dancing, and networking.

IACA's alumni association was initiated in 2013 with the goals of fostering a lifelong connection between IACA and alumni, promoting interaction among alumni, and connecting them with current students. It includes 700 former participants from 140 countries. Apart from annual reunions, the quarterly IACAlumnus magazine, written for alumni by alumni, helps the group stay in touch and share the best of their work. □

## ANTI-CORRUPTION IN LOCAL GOVERNANCE TRAINING STARTS

IACA's second Anti-Corruption in Local Governance Training started on 13 July, focusing on key integrity issues at the municipal and regional levels.

Four international experts are leading the programme - Professor Robert Klitgaard from Claremont Graduate University, former La Paz mayor and World Bank expert Ronald

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MacLean-Abaroa, Professor Nikos Passas from IACA's Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) Programme Consortium, and Ana Vasilache, Director of the Partners Foundation for Local Governance in Romania.



IACA developed its Anti-Corruption in Local Governance Training in response to growing urbanization and decentralization trends, which have increased the importance of local governments and their susceptibility to corruption.

Over five days, local politicians, regional government administrators, and experts from ombudsman offices and local anti-corruption organizations, will be guided through the types, risks, and consequences of corruption, interactive case studies, and ethical dilemmas. Through team exercises, they will develop measures for strengthening local integrity systems in their own environment. □

## 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. □

## SUSPICIOUS E-MAILS



Some of you may have recently received e-mails from fake e-mail accounts containing rumours and untruths about IACA. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or concerns. □

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