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Rule Of Law & Anti-corruption Center

**UNODC Expert Workshop
of the
Anti-Corruption Academic (ACAD) Initiative**

**Enhancing the capacity of academia to deliver high-quality
anti-corruption education**

for academics from
ASIA-PACIFIC

**National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law
13 – 14 June 2017**

Aims and Objectives

With the increasing recognition of corruption as a major impediment to global development, interest in addressing corruption as a subject of academic research and teaching has grown rapidly amongst the academic community in recent years. The new and innovative nature of this field of study, however, has led to recognition from many that while the interest and will to deliver courses is strong, actual experience of teaching anti-corruption topics, in stand-alone or existing courses, is more limited.

At the meeting of the Anti-Corruption Academic Initiative¹ in Doha, Qatar on 25 and 26 February 2015, representatives of universities from around the world called for greater capacity-building support, training and technical assistance to be provided to professors who wish to introduce anti-corruption courses and classes in their institutions.

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) is organizing an Expert Group Meeting of the Anti-Corruption Academic Initiative (ACAD), to be held at the National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law on 13-14 June 2017. It is aimed at academics from the Asia-Pacific region and will enhance the capacity of participating professors and academics to deliver high-quality anti-corruption education in their respective institutions.

With the goal of supporting the development of stronger teaching capacities in the field of anti-corruption studies, the meeting will facilitate the exchange among professors of academic expertise in the delivery of anti-corruption education. This knowledge exchange will be structured around substantive sessions and facilitated by leading experts. Specialized support will also be provided to those interested in using the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) Academic Course, as developed by UNODC, as a framework for their teaching in this field.²

In addition to providing a detailed analysis of the substantive issues involved in relation to each thematic area, session leaders will share their thoughts and experience with regard to how best such topics can be taught to students with limited prior knowledge.

Participants

UNODC will act as facilitator of the workshop, with small teams of experts leading individual sessions.

Participants will be professors and other academics affiliated with universities and academic institutions in the Asia-Pacific region who have expressed a strong interest in delivering and/or enhancing anti-corruption education, including those who wish to deliver the UNCAC

¹ The ACAD Initiative is a collaborative project aimed at promoting the delivery of anti-corruption courses and modules at higher education institutions worldwide. To date, over 80 academic institutions have participated. For further information please visit: <http://www.track.unodc.org/Academia/Pages/Home.aspx>

² The UNCAC Academic Course is available in several UN languages at the following link: <http://www.track.unodc.org/Education/Pages/AcademicCourse.aspx>

Academic Course. Participating academics should have experience in research and teaching in the fields of law, governance, business studies, political science and other social sciences.

Methodology

The workshop is designed to attain its objectives in an interactive manner over two days. It will be held in plenary sessions, thereby enabling participants to provide presentations and engage in broad discussions with a view to exchanging information and clarifying key concepts. The workshop will be conducted in English only.

Output

In addition to facilitating the exchange of ideas regarding anti-corruption education, workshop participants will be asked to make recommendations on how the ACAD initiative can better achieve its goal of supporting academics in teaching and researching anti-corruption issues. A session at the end of the workshop will be dedicated to articulating these recommendations, which will subsequently be made available on the ACAD website and provide a basis for future ACAD activities.

Tuesday, 13 June 2017

- 09.00 – 09.30** **Registration** at Lee Sheridan Conference Room, Eu Tong Sen Building, National University of Singapore, Faculty of Law
- 09.30 – 10.15** **1. Opening of the Workshop and Welcome Remarks**
Session Objective: Official opening of the workshop, present its objectives and tour de table to introduce participants.
Speakers:
Helena Whalen-Bridge, *Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore*
Sigall Horovitz, *Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, UNODC*
- 10.15 – 11.00** **2. UNODC, the United Nations Convention against Corruption and the Anti-Corruption Academic Initiative**
Session Objective: To provide participants with an overview of UNODC, the United Nations Convention against Corruption, and the ACAD Initiative.
Speakers:
Sigall Horovitz, *UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch*
Cornelia Koertl, *UNODC Regional Office for Southeast Asia and the Pacific*
- 11.00 – 11.30** **Coffee Break**
- 11.30 – 12.15** **3. What is Contained in the Model UNCAC Course and How Can it be Used?**
Session Objectives: To present the Model UNCAC Course and discuss ways, based on the experience of participants, to enhance the teaching and use of the model course.
Speakers:
Sigall Horovitz, *UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch*
Open discussion with participants
- 12.15 – 13.45** **Lunch**

13.45 – 15.15 **4. Teaching Methods: Good Practices and Challenges in Anti-Corruption Education**

Session Objective: *To discuss various methods of delivering effective anti-corruption education, including through clinics and other interactive methods as well as online methods, and consider the challenges faced by academics in teaching on corruption in Asia-Pacific and how to overcome them.*

Moderator: Sigall Horovitz, *UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch*

Speakers:

Giao Vucong, *Institute of Public Policy and Law, School of Law, Vietnam National University Hanoi: "Teaching anti-corruption in Vietnam"*

Anga Timilsina, *UNDP's Global Anti-Corruption Initiative: "Online Anti-Corruption Courses: Lessons from UNDP"*

Helena Whalen-Bridge, *Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore: "Developing Online Teaching about Corruption: Considering Law Schools in Singapore"*

Adam Graycar, *School of Social and Policy Studies, Flinders University: "Contribution of Research to the Teaching of Corruption"*

15.15 – 15.30 **Coffee Break**

15.30 – 17.00 **5. Fighting Corruption through Integrity and Ethics Education**

Session Objective: *To consider the relevance of integrity and ethics education to anti-corruption efforts, and discuss experiences and major issues related to teaching integrity and ethics in Asia-Pacific.*

Moderator: Helena Whalen-Bridge, *National University of Singapore*

Speakers:

Catherine Ordway, *Melbourne Law School, University of Melbourne: "University Education on Values, Ethics and Diversity in Organizations: Experiences from Hanoi"*

Syed Waqas Shah, *UNODC Pakistan: "Pakistan's Efforts to Fight Corruption Through Values Education in Primary Schools using Colouring Books"*

Prakash Bhattarai, *Kathmandu University School of Education: "Delivering Integrity Knowledge in University: Opportunity and Challenges"*

17.00 – 17.15 **6. Closing of Workshop's First Day**

Session Objective: *To summarize the day and address any administrative/logistical issues.*

Speakers: Sigall Horovitz, *UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch*

Wednesday, 14 June 2016

09.00 – 09.15 7. Opening of Workshop's Second Day

Session Objective: *Review and summary of the previous day's discussions and overview of the second day's sessions.*

Speaker: Sigall Horovitz, *UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch*

09.15 – 10.45 8. Corruption Trends and Issues in Asia-Pacific

Session Objective: *To highlight regional corruption trends and issues, consider how they can be taught at universities, and discuss the role of education in preparing students to address these issues.*

Moderator: Cornelia Koertl, *UNODC Regional Office*

Speakers:

Walter Woon, *Faculty of Law, National University of Singapore: "Singapore's Journey from Problems with Corruption to its Current Status, and Singapore's Challenges Today"*

Arvind Patel, *School of Accounting & Finance, University of South Pacific: "Corruption Practices in the Public Sector Procurement: A Pacific Experience"*

Tan Sri Abu Kassim Mohamed, *Governance and Integrity Centre, Faculty of Law, Universiti Teknologi MARA (UiTM): "The Role of Malaysian Academicians in Combatting Corruption"*

10.45 – 11.15 Coffee Break

11.15 – 12.45 9. Corruption Trends and Issues in Asia-Pacific (part II)

Session Objective: *To highlight regional corruption trends and issues, consider how they can be taught at universities, and discuss the role of education in preparing students to address these issues.*

Moderator: Helena Whalen-Bridge, *National University of Singapore*

Speakers:

Upolu Luma Vaai, *Pacific Theological College: "Identifying Corruption in the Pacific through Relational Hermeneutics"*

Shi Yanan, *Renmin University of China, School of Law: "Trust and Integrity Alliance: Promoting anti-corruption in the private sector in China"*

Nazir Hussain, *School of Politics and International Relations, Quaid-i-Azam University, Islamabad: "Anti-Corruption Efforts in Pakistan"*

Sirilaksana Khoman, *Thammasat University, Faculty of Economic: "Pedagogy of Fighting Corruption: Use of Case Studies"*

12.45 – 14.15 **Lunch**

14.15 – 15.45 **10. Linking Corruption to Other Global Concerns**

Session Objective: *To consider how to teach about corruption as an issue that relates to other global crimes (e.g. human trafficking, organized crime, terrorism) and to the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals, including in relation to gender.*

Moderator: Catherine Ordway, *University of Melbourne*

Speakers:

Xiuemi Wang, *Beijing Normal University*: *"The relationship between Money Laundering, Illegal Immigration and Corruption"*

Cornelia Koertl, *UNODC Regional Office*: *"The link between Corruption and Organized Crime in Asia-Pacific and the Role of UNCAC"*

Adam Graycar, *Flinders University*: *"Fisheries, Corruption and Sustainability in Asia-Pacific"*

Tui Ratu Nawi Rakuita, *University of South Pacific, School of Social Sciences*: *"Development Discourses and Corruption in Oceania: The Subterranean Links"*

Catherine Ordway, *University of Melbourne*: *"Gender in Match Fixing"*

15.45 – 16.00 **Coffee Break**

16.00 – 17.00 **11. Closing of Workshop and Way Forward**

Session Objective: *To conclude the workshop and make recommendations on the way forward.*

Moderator: Sigall Horovitz, *UNODC Corruption and Economic Crime Branch*

Speakers: *Open discussion with participants, facilitated by UNODC*