From 8 to 9 December 2022, the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ) held its reconvened 31st session in a hybrid format, which was attended by representatives from governments, UN entities, intergovernmental and non-governmental organizations.

On 8 December, the Commission held a joint meeting with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs (CND) to discuss strategic management, budgetary and administrative issues of UNODC. Under this agenda item, the Commissions, among others, considered the implementation of the consolidated budget of UNODC for the biennium 2022-2023.

On 9 December, the Commission held its separate meeting to discuss, among others, the follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and preparations for the Fifteenth Crime Congress.

**Thematic Discussions on the implementation of the Kyoto Declaration**

Pursuant to the working plan adopted in 2021, the Commission held its second Thematic Discussions on the implementation of the Kyoto Declaration, from 5 to 7 December 2022, in Vienna and online. The discussions focused on Pillar II of the Declaration on “Advancing the criminal justice system”, covering topics such as victims’ rights, witnesses and reporting persons, criminal investigation processes; prison conditions and reducing reoffending; gender perspective and vulnerabilities of children and youth in contact with the criminal justice system.

The discussions reached over 700 registered participants from 110 countries and organizations, and featured interventions by experts from Member States, intergovernmental organizations, civil society, and the UN Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme Network.
CCPCJ Chair’s Mission in New York

On 7 and 8 November, the CCPCJ Chair undertook a mission to New York:

- to address a meeting co-hosted by the Group of Friends on Sport for Development and Peace and the International Olympic Committee;
- to moderate the Forum Discussion on “Partnerships in Community-based Crime Prevention”, aiming to share good practices and lessons learned; and
- to meet with the President of the General Assembly, Mr. Csaba Korösi, and ECOSOC President, Lachezara Stoeva, to discuss the interlinkages between the 2030 Agenda and good governance and the rule of law, and the contributions that can be made by the CCPCJ.

Summary of the 2022 FINGOV Meetings

The CND and CCPCJ, as the two governing bodies of UNODC, take action on budgetary and administrative matters of the Office. During the intersessional period, an in-depth discussion on governance and financial matters takes place in the framework of FINGOV (standing intergovernmental working group on improving the governance and financial situation of UNODC).

On 4 February 2022, a dialogue between Member States and the UNODC Executive Director, Ghada Waly, was held to facilitate an interactive exchange on the role, mandate, values, and goals of UNODC.

Four regular meetings were held in February, July, September and November, focusing on:

- governance and financial situation, human resources management, and evaluation;
- UNODC’s work with regard to the world drug problem, organized crime, corruption and economic crime, terrorism, and crime prevention and criminal justice;
- activities related to research, scientific-evidence based policies, gender mainstreaming, and youth empowerment;
- The Office’s work implemented in Latin America and the Caribbean, Africa and Middle East, Asia and the Pacific, and Europe, Western and Central Asia.

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Upcoming events

20 February - 3 March 2023: Side events and Exhibitions application period
22-26 May 2023: 32nd regular session of the CCPCJ