

CCPCJ Newsletter *Jan - June 2022*

CCPCJ holds its 31st session

The [Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice \(CCPCJ\)](#) held its regular [thirty-first session](#) from 16 to 20 May 2022 in Vienna in a hybrid format. The session was attended by over 1,300 participants from 133 Member States, 13 intergovernmental organizations, 9 United Nations Programme Network Institutes (PNIs) and 55 non-governmental organizations. In addition to the formal proceedings, more than [80 side events](#) were organized on the margins of the Commission.

The session adopted three resolutions, focusing on preventing and combating illicit trafficking in wildlife, reducing reoffending through rehabilitation and reintegration, and protecting children from sexual exploitation and abuse. In addition, a resolution on the follow-up to the [14th UN Crime Congress](#) and preparations for the 15th Crime Congress was also adopted.



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Side Events

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Strengthening the international legal framework for international cooperation to prevent and combat illicit trafficking in wildlife

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Follow-up to the Fourteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice and Preparations for the Fifteenth United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

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Reducing reoffending through rehabilitation and reintegration

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Strengthening national and international efforts, including with the private sector, to protect children from sexual exploitation and abuse

Special event at the CCPCJ 31st session



On the opening day of the CCPCJ 31st session, the Chair, H.E. Mr. Takeshi Hikihara (Japan), held a [special event on the implementation of the Kyoto Declaration](#), the outcome of the 14th UN Crime Congress held in March 2021, in Kyoto, Japan.

The special event took stock of, and reported on, the initiatives launched since the adoption of the Kyoto Declaration, as well as provided an opportunity to discuss these initiatives with national experts who had participated in the negotiation of the Kyoto Declaration.

Expert Discussions on Crimes that affect the environment



Pursuant to the General Assembly resolution [76/185](#), the Commission held, from 14 to 16 February 2022, [intersessional expert discussions on preventing and combating crimes that affect the environment](#) in Vienna in a hybrid format. Chaired by the Chair and First Vice-Chair of the Commission at its 31st session, the expert discussions brought together more than 800 participants from 94 Member States, 9 United Nations entities, 11 IGOs, 5 PNIs and 17 NGOs.

The Executive Director of UNODC, the Minister for Ecological Transition of France, the Secretary-General of the [CITES Secretariat](#) and the Executive

Director of the [UNEP](#) addressed meeting participants during the [high-level opening segment](#) of the expert discussions.

The Commission facilitated an exchange of good practices and lessons learned among experts and policymakers, focusing on preventing and combating crimes that affect the environment, and strengthening international cooperation in this field. [Statements and presentations](#) made during the expert discussions, as well as the [procedural report](#), were published on the Commission's [dedicated website](#). The Commission considered the [Chair's summary](#) at its 31st regular session.

Briefings on implementation of the Kyoto Declaration

In June 2022, the Secretariat organized a briefing in English, French and Spanish for national officials who were responsible for the planning and implementation of crime prevention and criminal justice policies as well as for the planning and requesting of technical assistance to UNODC in that regard. During the briefing, information was shared on UNODC technical assistance provided in the substantive areas covered by [the Kyoto Declaration](#).



Contributions to the ECOSOC work

The Chair addressed the ECOSOC Coordination Segment, held on 3-4 February 2022, through a [video message](#), and participated in the panel discussion on “Harnessing science, technology and innovations, including digital technologies”.



Bureau members of the 31st CCPCJ

- Chair:** H.E. Mr. Takeshi HIKIHARA (Japan)
1st Vice-Chair: H.E. Mr. Azzeddine FARHANE (Morocco)
2nd Vice-Chair: H.E. Ms. Emilia KRALEVA (Bulgaria)
3rd Vice-Chair: H.E. Ms. Laura FAXAS DE JORGENSEN (Dominican Republic)
Rapporteur: Mr. Antonino TEDESCO (Italy)

Upcoming events

- Autumn 2022:** CCPCJ Intersessional Thematic Discussions on the implementation of the Kyoto Declaration
8-9 December 2022: Reconvened 31st session