

CCPCJ Newsletter July - December 2019

28th reconvened session

The [reconvened 28th session of CCPCJ](#), held on 12 and 13 December 2019 in Vienna, was attended by representatives from Member States, UN entities and civil society. On 12 December, the Commission held a joint meeting with the Commission on Narcotic Drugs to discuss strategic management, budgetary and administrative questions of UNODC. Under this item, the Commissions among others consider the consolidated budget of UNODC for the biennium 2020-2021. During its separate meeting on 13 December, the Commission adopted a resolution entitled “Budget for the biennium 2020-2021 for the UN Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund” and discussed the agenda for the upcoming 29th session of the Commission in May 2020. Furthermore, the Executive Secretary and the Secretary of the 14th UN Crime Congress, to be held in Kyoto, Japan in April 2020, as well as the Government of Japan, the host country, briefed the Commission on the substantive and logistical preparations for the Congress, including on the informal consultations on the draft declaration.



Special Event on 2030 Agenda at the visit of PGA Espinosa Garcés

In front of a large number of representatives of Member States and Observers, Vienna-based organizations and civil society, the President of the 73rd session of the UN General Assembly, H.E. Ms. Espinosa Garcés delivered a key note address at a [special event](#) organized jointly by the CCPCJ and Commission on Narcotic Drugs, supported by UNODC and in cooperation with UNIS. At the occasion of the 40th anniversary of the inauguration of the Vienna International Centre, on 23 August, she commended the Vienna-based Commissions and UNODC for their contribution to the implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. The Chair of the CCPCJ, H.E. Ms. Alena Kupchyna, provided updates on the Commission's work, underlining that SDG 16 - on promoting peaceful and inclusive societies and providing access to justice for all touches upon the core mandates of CCPCJ, namely strengthening the rule of law, addressing crime, corruption and terrorism.



“Let’s talk gender”

Two meetings were organized under the auspices of the CCPCJ and CND in the margins of the [“Let’s Talk Gender” initiative](#) of UNODC’s Secretariat to the Governing Bodies, which aims at supporting Vienna-based Commissions in their contributions to the implementation of SDG 5 on achieving gender equality and women empowerment. A first [informal brainstorming meeting](#) was held on 30 September, to facilitate the discussion on mainstreaming a gender perspective in the meetings of CND and CCPCJ, followed by an [interactive meeting](#) on using gender-inclusive communication in the work of the Commissions held on 25 November.





14TH UNITED NATIONS CONGRESS ON CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

KYOTO, JAPAN 20-27 APRIL 2020



General Information

Following General Assembly resolution 73/184, the 14th Congress will take place in the Kyoto International Conference Center from Monday, 20 April to Monday, 27 April 2020, with pre-Congress consultations on Sunday, 19 April 2020. [Registration](#) deadline for Member States, UN Bodies and Entities, UN Secretariat, UN Institutes, Specialized Agencies, Inter-Governmental Organizations, Non-Governmental Organizations and individual experts is 3 April 2020. Member States are encouraged to participate at the highest possible level.



Preparation of the Kyoto Declaration

Following up to the five regional preparatory meetings, held at the beginning of 2019, the Secretariat prepared a [reference paper](#) to facilitate the upcoming negotiations on the Kyoto Declaration. In accordance with General Assembly resolution 73/184, the 14th Congress is to adopt a single declaration to be submitted to the CCPCJ for its consideration. The Permanent Representative of Japan, H.E. Mr. Hikihara, was mandated to lead the informal consultations on the declaration at the first intersessional meeting of the 28th session of the CCPCJ on 27 September 2019. Negotiations among Member States have since been ongoing. Member States are encouraged to reach an agreement on the text by the end of March 2020, so that the declaration will be adopted at the commencement of the Crime Congress.

Upcoming events

20 to 27 April 2020

[14th United Nations Crime Congress](#),
Kyoto, Japan

18 to 22 May 2020

29th Regular Session of the CCPCJ,
Vienna, Austria

Main theme of 29th session

In accordance with ECOSOC decision [2016/241](#), the prominent theme and the topic of the thematic discussion at the upcoming Commission session in May will be “Effective measures to prevent and counter the smuggling of migrants, while protecting the rights of smuggled migrants, particularly women and children, and those of unaccompanied migrant children”.

Bureau members of the 29th CCPCJ

Chairperson:

H.E. Mr. Jose Antonio Marcondes De Carvalho (Brazil)

1st Vice-Chairperson:

(vacant)

2nd Vice-Chairperson:

H.E. Ms. Khojesta Fana Ebrahimkhel (Afghanistan)

3rd Vice-Chairperson:

(vacant)

Rapporteur:

Mr. Ivan Gospodinov (Bulgaria)

