

# Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice

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## The Commission holds its reconvened 26<sup>th</sup> session



The Commission held its [reconvened 26<sup>th</sup> session](#) on 7 and 8 December 2017, with the participation of representatives from Governments, UN entities and civil society. The Commission adopted a resolution on the budget for the biennium 2018–2019 for the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Fund, and discussed strategic and administrative questions as well as the agenda for the upcoming 27<sup>th</sup> Commission session in May.

## Cybercrime main theme of 27<sup>th</sup> CCPCJ session (14-18 May 2018)



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 “Criminal justice responses to prevent and counter cybercrime in all its forms, including through the strengthening of cooperation at the national and international levels”. At the reconvened 26<sup>th</sup> session, the Commission endorsed the Chair’s proposal to devote the morning session to the sub-theme “Current challenges” and the afternoon session to the sub-theme “Possible responses to them”.

## Briefing in New York on preparations for the 14<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress

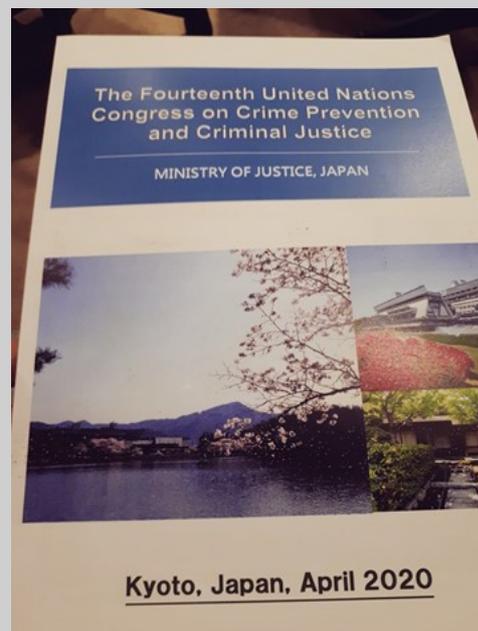
On 4 October, the Secretariat to the Commission held an information briefing at the UNODC office in New York on the preparations for the 14<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress, to be held in Kyoto, Japan, in 2020. The topic of the 14<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress will be “Advancing crime prevention, criminal justice and the rule of law: towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda”. Assistant Vice-Minister of Justice of Japan, H.E. Mr. Kikuchi, reported on preparations underway by the host country.



## UN General Assembly adopts agenda and workshop topics for 14th Crime Congress

On 19 December, the UN General Assembly adopted resolution [A/RES/72/192](#) on the follow up to the 13th Crime Congress and preparations for the 14th Crime Congress. In accordance to it, the Congress **agenda** will include the following substantive items:

1. Comprehensive strategies for crime prevention towards social and economic development;
2. Integrated approaches to challenges facing the criminal justice system;
3. Multidimensional approaches by Governments to promoting the rule of law by, inter alia, providing access to justice for all; building effective, accountable, impartial and inclusive institutions; and considering social, educational and other relevant measures, including fostering a culture of lawfulness while respecting cultural identities, in line with the Doha Declaration.
4. International cooperation and technical assistance to prevent and address all forms of crime:
  - (a) Terrorism in all its forms and manifestations;
  - (b) New and emerging forms of crime.



In addition, the following issues will be considered at the **workshops** within the framework of the 14<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress:

- (a) Evidence-based crime prevention: statistics, indicators and evaluation in support of successful practices;
- (b) Reducing reoffending: identifying risks and developing solutions;
- (c) Education and youth engagement as key to making societies resilient to crime;
- (d) Current crime trends, recent developments and emerging solutions, in particular new technologies as means for and tools against crime.

## Election of the 27th CCPCJ Bureau members

As per established practice, at the end of its reconvened 26<sup>th</sup> session, the Commission officially opened its 27th session and elected some of its new Bureau members. A warm welcome to all!

**Chair:** H.E. Ambassador Lotfi Bouchaara (Morocco)

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice-Chair:** H.E. Ambassador Alena Kupchyna (Belarus) (designate)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-Chair:** H.E. Ambassador Armin Andereya Latorre (Chile) (designate)

**3<sup>rd</sup> Vice-Chair:** H.E. Ambassador Helen Eduards (Sweden)

**Rapporteur:** Mr. Jawad Ali (Pakistan)



Nomination of Mr. Lotfi Bouchaara as Chair of the 27th CCPCJ session