Capacity Building Activities for Implementation of the ICCS in Asia and the Pacific

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I. What is the ICCS?

- The First International Standard for Systematic Collection and Production of Crime Data
- Endorsed by the UN Statistical Commission and Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ) in 2015
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- First Meeting of the Technical Advisory Group (TAG) in Vienna, Austria (May 2016)

- First Regional Meeting on Crime Statistics and Victimization Surveys in Bangkok, Thailand (December 2014)
II. The Context

What do we mean by “Asia and the Pacific”?
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- Home to approximately 4.4 billion people from 59 countries (*UN ESCAP Population Data Sheet, 2016*)

- “Unique Diversity”: Varying ethnic, religious, socio-cultural, and politico-economic values and systems that defy any single characterization
II. The Context

- Implications of *Unique Diversity*:
  
a. **Challenge**: Varying national definitions and classifications of crime and attendant national responses from country to country
  
b. **Opportunity**: A dedicated regional center that can function as a hub for collection and production of crime data
III. Capacity Building Activities

Four Essential Areas for Capacity Building:

a. Information/Dissemination
b. Methodological Support
c. Technical Assistance
d. Organizational Framework

What are the specific activities required for the region in terms of four areas?
III. Capacity Building Activities

Information/Dissemination:

a. Translate ICCS surveys, implementation manuals in regional languages (in addition to six UN official languages)

b. Distribute booklets in print formats for those countries that do not have internet access
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- Methodological Support:
  
  a. Select representative countries from sub-regional areas that can participate in review conferences for ICCS Manuals I–IV and help fund the efforts

  b. Give mandate to representative countries to engage with neighboring countries for the implementation
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Technical Assistance/Organizational Framework:

a. Hold working-level workshops among focal points at NSOs or agencies responsible for crime data

b. Facilitate cooperation among regional members of UNPNI for promoting and supporting the ICCS
IV. Potential Contribution of KIC

Information/Dissemination:
- Identify translation needs among regional countries
- Produce policy briefs/memos on implementation
- Publish studies on various types of crime and criminal justice statistics (e.g. corruption, violence, sex crime, etc.)

Methodological Support:
- Share experience and knowledge on mapping national definitions of crime and victimization surveys into the ICCS
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- Technical Assistance:
  - Hold regional workshops/roundtables/symposia among national focal points on ICCS

- Organizational Framework:
  - Hold regional Utilize the global network including the UNPNI, 34 bilateral MOUs across the globe (22 MOUs with regional institutes)
Questions?