Webinar 1 – Overarching tools

UNODC Tools and Publications

Promote peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development, provide access to justice for all and build effective, accountable and inclusive institutions at all levels

UNODC provides normative, analytical and operational assistance to Member States for strengthening the effectiveness, fairness, and accountability of their criminal justice institutions to tackle crime, corruption and terrorism. As one of the main custodians of SDG 16: Peace Justice and Strong Institutions, UNODC has published a plethora of documents, websites and brochures with application to SDG 16, as a whole. The following are a list of links to important documents for SDG 16. The Criminal Justice section is further broken into sub-categories based on UNODC’s work.

For each of the SDG Targets, the international community has agreed on specific indicators that are based either on data collected from administrative sources or on data derived from sample surveys and UNODC offers its experience in monitoring the relevant indicators to assess progress towards the SDGs.

In addition, UNODC’s global collection of administrative and survey data on crime and criminal justice and the promotion of crime victimization surveys, provide the statistical evidence base for monitoring patterns and trends of crime and the criminal justice response to crime, and for evaluating policy interventions and crime prevention measures. Under SDG 16, UNODC is the international lead organizations for compiling statistical indicators for a number of SDG Targets and plays an important part in measuring other Targets as well.
UNODC overarching tools and research publications

UNODC collects data on crime and the operation of criminal justice systems in order to make policy-relevant information and analysis available in a timely manner to the international community.

UNODC works on the development of standards for national crime and criminal justice information systems and for the conduct of victimization surveys. The office also aims to enhance the cross-national comparability of data through the development of key indicators and data reporting tools.

Periodic reports on selected crime issues provide in-depth analysis on key topics of concern at the global and regional level.

Methodology & Standards

- **The International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes (ICCS)** provides a comprehensive framework for producing statistics on crime and criminal justice. Its primary unit of classification is the act or event that constitutes a criminal offence and the description of the criminal acts is based on behaviours and not on legal provisions. The ICCS is the tool to understand crime extent and drivers. Also, it is a formidable tool to improve quality of data on crime and criminal justice at national level and to support national efforts to monitor SDG targets in the areas of public security and safety, trafficking, corruption, and access to justice. The ICCS was endorsed by the United Nations Statistical Commission, at its 46th session in March 2015, and the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ) at its 24th session in May 2015 as an international statistical standard for data collection. The two Commissions have also confirmed UNODC as the custodian of the ICCS.

- The **Manual on Victimization Surveys** was developed by a joint UNECE-UNODC Task Force on Victim Surveys established in 2005, composed by representatives from Australia (Chair), Canada, Italy, Netherlands, Poland, UK, and USA. The Statistical Office of the European Commission (EUROSTAT), the European Agency for Fundamental Rights (EU-FRA) and the European Institute for Crime Prevention and Control, affiliated with the UN (HEUNI) also participated regularly in the work of the Task Force.

- **Latin America and the Caribbean Crime Victimization Survey Initiative (all LACSI materials are available in 4 languages); Towards a common and robust methodology for conducting victimization surveys in Latin America and the Caribbean.** This section describes the efforts of several countries in Latin America and the Caribbean, as well as some international organizations to develop a harmonized methodology and a common questionnaire seeking to standardize the measurement of victimization in the region in order to generate comparable data. In addition, to deepen the analysis of the Latin American context, comparable data from countries that have implemented Crime Victimization Surveys in the region are made available. Through this analysis it is possible to see how the information generated by Crime Victimization Surveys contributes to monitoring the progress of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and allows to carry out a more exhaustive analysis of the criminal phenomena.

- **United Nations Survey of Crime Trends and Operations of Criminal Justice Systems (UN-CTS)** The UN-CTS deals with information, primarily administrative statistics, on the main components of the criminal justice system (police, prosecution, courts and prisons). In addition, the UN-CTS collects available data from crime victimization surveys. Following ECOSOC Resolution 2015/24 (E/RES/2015/24) and driven by recommendations agreed upon at the First Global Meeting of UN-CTS Focal Points in May 2016, UNODC has undertaken a review of the UN-CTS. Following a comprehensive round of consultation among UN-CTS Focal Points and Permanent Missions a revised data collection instrument was completed in July 2018. The UN-CTS was reviewed to bring it in line with the International Classification of Crime for Statistical Purposes (ICCS) and to enable countries to report data for Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) indicators for which UNODC is indicated as custodian agency by the United Nations Statistical Commission. This comprehensive consultation process, which also included representatives of relevant regional and international organizations, resulted in a revised UN-CTS data collection instrument and was considered a major improvement in the global data collection on crime and criminal justice by the Joint Second Meeting of UN-CTS Focal Points and ICCS Technical Advisory Group in June 2018.
Other

- Standards for criminal justice statistics systems
- Study on international and EU standards on crime statistics
- Juvenile Justice indicators

Centre of Excellence on Crime and Criminal Justice

- The Centre of Excellence for Statistical Information on Government, Crime, Victimization and Justice (CdE) was created in 2010 with the purpose of initiating technical cooperation activities between the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and National Institute of Statistics and Geography of Mexico (INEGI). Its main objective is to strengthen statistical, analytical and monitoring capacities in the fields of government, victimization, public security and justice. The Centre provides technical assistance to countries in the region to improve the quality and quantity of crime statistics, public security, corruption, government and justice through surveys and administrative records; Organizes on-line and on-site training activities; Promotes international methodological standards; Development of research projects; Develops new methodologies and tools for analyzing and measuring phenomena related to conventional and emerging crime (organized crime), public safety, victimization, justice and government; Contributes to the development and implementation of the International Crime Classification for statistical purposes (ICCS); and actively promotes the development and improvement of institutional capacities regarding Victimization Surveys (VS) in Latin America.

- Founded in February 2019, the UNODC-KOSTAT Centre of Excellence is a regional hub providing a range of technical support to Asia-Pacific Member States to enhance regional capacity in the approaches to collecting criminal justice data.

Data

- UNODC’S Data Portal
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Special data collections

- Data and Metadata from Crime Victimization Surveys (2004-2014)
- Special Data Collections on Persons held in Prisons (2010-2014)
- Administration of Justice (2011-2013)
- Statistics on Extradition and Mutual Legal Assistance (2010-2012)
- Special Data Collection on Persons held in Prisons (2010-2012)
- Environmental Crime (2006-2011)
Historic data
- Drug-related crime (2003-2008)

Activities
- Monitoring the impact of economic crisis on crime
- Global Study on Homicide 2019
- Global Study on Homicide 2013
- Global Study on Homicide 2011
- International statistics on crime and justice (2010)
- Reports on world crime trends

Publications/Reports
- Justice and home affairs statistics systems in the Western Balkans
- Data for Africa

Other:
- Atlas on Crime Victimization Surveys
- VicLab Talks
- Data for Africa
- Surveys in African countries
- Crime and corruption business surveys
- Directory of Competent National Authorities (CNA Directory)
- Illicit Arms Flow Questionnaire
- Global Homicide Study (2011, 2014, 2019);
- UNODC Study on Firearms (2015);
- UNODC Global Study on Firearms Trafficking 2020
- Global Study on Legal Aid(2016, with UNDP);

• **Drug Money**: the illicit proceeds of opiates trafficked on the Balkan route;

• **Transnational Organized Crime in the Pacific: A Threat Assessment**;

• **Manual for the Development of a System of Criminal Justice Statistics**

• **Manual for the Measurement of Juvenile Justice Indicators**

• **Manual on International Cooperation for the Purposes of Confiscation of Proceeds of Crime**;

• **Manual on Mutual Legal Assistance and Extradition**;

• **Model Legislative Provisions against Organized Crime**.

Criminal Justice Assessment Toolkit

The [Criminal Justice Assessment Toolkits](#), a standardized and cross-referenced set of tools designed to enable United Nations agencies, government officials engaged in criminal justice reform, as well as other organizations and individuals to conduct comprehensive assessments of criminal justice systems. The purpose of such assessments being to identify areas of technical assistance required and to assist in training on these issues. The Tools have been grouped within criminal justice system sectors: Policing, Access to Justice, Custodial and Non-Custodial Measures and Cross-Cutting Issues.

Criminal Justice

• Enhancing Criminal Justice Reform, including Restorative Justice;

• Criminal Justice Reform in Post-Conflict States: A Guide for Practitioners;

• Further information is available on the International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy’s website;

• Combating violence against migrants;

• Criminal Justice Assessment Toolkit (CJAT) - Tool 'Forensic Services and Infrastructure.'

Crime Prevention

• Training Manual on Policing Urban;

• Introductory Handbook on Policing Urban Space;

• Introductory Handbook on the Prevention of Recidivism and the Social Reintegration of Offenders;

• Crime Prevention Assessment tool;

Handbook on Crime Prevention in Southern Africa and the Caribbean Regions;

Practical Approaches to Urban Crime Prevention;

Handbook on Civilian Private Security Services;

Strategies and Best Practices for Crime Prevention, in particular in relation to Urban Crime and Youth at Risk;

Governing Safer Cities: Strategies for a Globalised World;

Global status report on violence prevention 2014;

Line Up Live Up Trainer Manual-Life skills training through sport to prevent crime, violence and drug use;

Crime Scene Awareness and Investigation: Training programme and trainers’ guide (manual available on request);

Security Document Examination: Training programme and trainers’ guide (manual available on request);

Crime Scene and Physical Evidence Awareness for Non-Forensic Personnel;

Guide for the development of forensic document examination capacity.

Police reform

Training Manual on Policing Urban Space;

Introductory Handbook on Policing Urban Space;

Handbook on Police Accountability, Oversight and Integrity;

Resource Book on Use Force and Firearms in Law Enforcement.

Prosecution Services

The Status and Role of Prosecutors -a UNODC and IAP Guide;

Addendum to International Association of Prosecutors Standard.

Access to legal aid

Global Study on Legal Aid(2016, with UNDP);

Handbook on Early access to legal aid in criminal justice processes;

Model Law on Legal Aid in Criminal Justice Systems with Commentaries;

Handbook on Access to Legal Aid in Africa;
• Survey Report on Access to Legal Aid in Africa;
• Child-Friendly Legal Aid in Africa (UNICEF, UNDP, UNODC).

**Prison reform and alternatives to imprisonment**

• Handbook of basic principles and promising practices on Alternatives to Imprisonment;
• Handbook for Prison Leaders;
• Handbook on Prisoner File Management;
• Handbook on Prisoners with Special Needs;
• Handbook on Women and Imprisonment;
• Training curriculum on Women and Imprisonment Version 1.0;
• Information note for criminal justice practitioners on non-custodial measures for women offenders;
• Handbook on Strategies to Reduce Overcrowding in Prisons;
• Treatment and Care for People with Drug Use Disorders in Contact with the Criminal Justice System: Alternatives to Conviction or Punishment;
• Training Material on HIV/AIDS Prevention in Prison Settings (forthcoming);
• Afghanistan: Implementing Alternatives to Imprisonment, in line with International Standards and National Legislation;
• HIV/AIDS Prevention, Care, Treatment and Support in Prison Settings - a framework for an effective national response;
• UNODC Prison Reform Concept Note;
• Handbook on the International Transfer of Sentenced Persons;
• Introductory Handbook on the Prevention of Recidivism and the Social Reintegration of Offenders;
• A Prison Evaluation Checklist for Post-Conflict Settings;
• Handbook on Dynamic Security and Prison Intelligence;
• Handbook on the Management of High-Risk Prisoners;
• Brochure on the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for the Treatment of Prisoners (the Nelson Mandela Rules);
• Handbook on the Management of Violent Extremist Prisoners and the Prevention of Radicalization to Violence in Prisons;
• Summary of Key Principles and Recommendations of the Handbook on Violent Extremist Prisoners;
• Assessing Compliance with the Nelson Mandela Rules: A checklist for internal inspection mechanisms;
• UNODC Roadmap for the Development of Prison-based Rehabilitation Programmes;
• Handbook on Anti-Corruption Measures in Prisons.

Restorative Justice

• Handbook on Restorative Justice Programmes;
• Handbook of Basic Principles and Promising Practices on Alternatives to Imprisonment.

Justice for Children

• Handbook for Professionals and Policymakers on Justice in Matters involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime;
• Guidelines on Justice in Matters Involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime;
• United Nations Guidelines on Justice in Matters involving child victims and witnesses of crime Online Training;
• Justice in Matters Involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime: Model Law and Related Commentary;
• Criteria for the Design and Evaluation of Juvenile Justice Reform Programmes;
• Child-friendly version of the UN Guidelines on Justice in Matters Involving Child Victims and Witnesses of Crime;
• Justice in Matters Involving Children in Conflict with the Law: Model Law on Juvenile Justice and Related Commentary;
• Guidance Note of the Secretary-General: UN Approach to Justice for Children;
• Child-Friendly Legal Aid in Africa;
• UNODC/UNICEF Manual for the Measurement of juvenile justice indicators;
• Capacity Building in the Area of Child Justice (the Child Justice Project) South Africa;
• Strengthening Legislative and Institutional Capacity for Juvenile Justice and Support to the Juvenile Justice System in Lebanon;
• Protecting the Rights of Children in Conflict with the Law;
• Introductory Booklet on the United Nations Model Strategies and Practical Measures on the Elimination of Violence against
• Children in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice;
• Checklist to the United Nations Model Strategies and Practical Measures on the Elimination of Violence against Children in the field of crime prevention and criminal justice;
• Training Programme on the Treatment of Child Victims and Child Witnesses of Crime -for Prosecutors and Judges;
• Training Programme on the Treatment of Child Victims and Child Witnesses of Crime -for Law Enforcement Officials;
• INSPIRE: Seven strategies for Ending Violence Against Children;
• Handbook on Children Recruited and Exploited by Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups: The Role of the Justice System;
• UNODC Roadmap on the Treatment of Children associated with Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups

Gender in the Criminal Justice System

• Strengthening Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Responses to Violence against Women;
• Handbook on Effective Police Responses to Violence against Women;
• Training Curriculum on Effective Police Responses to Violence against Women;
• Handbook on Effective Prosecution Responses to Violence against Women and Girls;
• Resource Book for Trainers on Effective Prosecution Responses to Violence against Women and Girls;
• Toolkit on Strengthening the Medico-Legal Response to Sexual Violence;
• Gender-Related killing of Women and Girls Brochure;
• Essential services package for women and girls subject to violence:
  o Implementation Guide;
  o E-learning course
    ▪ Module 1:Overview and Introduction to the Essential Services Package for Women and Girls Subject to Violence;
    ▪ Module 2: Essential Health Services for Women and Girls Subject to Violence;
    ▪ Module 3: Essential Justice and Policing Services for Women and Girls Subject to Violence;
    ▪ Module 4: Essential Social Services for Women and Girls Subject to Violence;
    ▪ Module 5: Essential Action for Governance and Coordination of Governance;
- A Practitioner's Toolkit on Women's Access to Justice Programming;
- The Bangkok Rules—United Nations Rules for the Treatment of Women Prisoners and Non-custodial Measures for Women Offenders with their Commentary;
- Handbook on Women and Imprisonment 2nd edition;
- Training curriculum on Women and Imprisonment Version 1.0;
- Information note for criminal justice practitioners on non-custodial measures for women offenders;
- E-learning course on Alternatives to Imprisonment for Women Offenders;
- Afghanistan: Female Prisoners and their social reintegration;
- Training manual for emergency call operators (to assist victims of violence against woman) http://www.policia-mas.org/manuals.html(Spanish);
- Training Manual for Police Officers (to assist victims of violence against woman) http://www.policia-mas.org/manuals.html(Spanish);

Victims

- Handbook on Justice for Victims on the use and application of the Declaration of Basic Principles of Justice for Victims and Abuse of Power
- Intergovernmental Expert Group Meeting to review and update the Model Strategies and Practical Measures on the Elimination of Violence against Women in the Field of Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice, Bangkok

For more information, please visit: https://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/data-and-analysis/index.html