

In the framework of the fourth session of the COSP to the UNCAC:

Anti-Corruption Training and Technical Assistance - Mission Impossible?

The International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA), a joint initiative by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the Republic of Austria, the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) and other stakeholders, is a pioneering international organization that aims to overcome current shortcomings in knowledge and practice in the field of anti-corruption. In pursuing this aim, the Academy will function as an independent centre of excellence in the field of anti-corruption education, training, networking, cooperation and academic research.

Under the title, 'Anti-Corruption Training and Technical Assistance - Mission Impossible?', IACA will host a prominent side-event at the COSP venue on 25 October from 03:00 p.m. to 06:00 p.m. All conference participants are more than welcome to take advantage of this chance to familiarize themselves with IACA's unique training offers, as well as its vision, mission and values.

IACA is the only institution of higher education in the world which offers an executive Master's programme in anti-corruption studies. In the course of the side-event, IACA will introduce its interdisciplinary Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) for the very first time. The Master is the only one of its kind throughout

the globe and will start in 2012. The programme is designed to bring an innovative approach to the study of the corruption phenomenon by providing know-how and expertise from various academic and non-academic fields, and catering to all sectors of society. This agenda item will be complimented with a question and answer session.

Furthermore, alumni of the International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy (IACSA), which first took place this year at the IACA premises in Laxenburg (Austria), and brought together anti-corruption practitioners and academics from various fields and more than 60 countries from all over the globe, will give an inside view of this special training event. Under the motto 'Practice meets Science', IACSA will again be offered in the coming years.

In addition, conference participants will have the opportunity to actively participate in a panel discussion with IACA representatives, the Moroccan authorities, UNODC officials and academics.

Provisional Agenda

Marrakech, 25 Oct 2011, 03:00 p.m. - 06:00 p.m.

- 03:00 p.m. - 03:30 p.m. Presentation: International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy (IACSA) 2011
- 03:30 p.m. - 05:00 p.m. Panel discussion: Anti-Corruption Training and Technical Assistance - Mission Impossible?
- 05:00 p.m. - 06:00 p.m. Introduction to IACA's Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS)