Main features of the Review Mechanism

A peer review process that creates no ranking

Being transparent, efficient, non intrusive, inclusive and impartial

Being of a technical nature an promoting constructive collaboration

Exchange experience, identify TA needs and promoting implementation
Who reviews?

Two SPs for each instrument – maximum four for each SP under review

Reviewers are selected through the drawing of lots at the beginning of the review process

The reviewers will be the same for the whole review process for an SP under review
Who is being reviewed?

All State Parties

Divided into three groups by drawing of lots at the beginning of the review process

Staggered in three consecutive years

Exception: the Holy See may choose not to participate as a reviewer or reviewed State
What is being reviewed?

All articles, divided into four thematic clusters:
- Criminalization;
- International Cooperation, MLA and confiscation;
- Law enforcement and the judicial system;
- Prevention, assistance, protection measures and other measures

Each cluster of all instruments to which the SP under review is a Party is reviewed at the same time as a package (for each cluster of all instruments there will be only one list of observations)
How to review?

The review is carried out under the authority of COP. It lasts ten years for each SP (2 years preparatory phase and 4 review phases of 2 years each, one per thematic cluster).

Preparatory phase launched with Resolution 9/1.

The launch of a new phase is conditional upon the completion of 70 per cent of the reviews.
## Timeframe of the Review Mechanism

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How to review? (2)

Two tracks of review:
- General review: report on trends, patterns and best practices (prepared by the Secretariat at each COP)
- Country reviews: desk reviews among SPs (discussed during WGs)

Information gathering through self-assessment questionnaires hosted on a new secure module of SHERLOC

Outcomes of the country review:
- List of observations
- Summaries (1,500 words - translated into six languages)
The role of the Secretariat

Preparatory phase

Develop a secure module of SHERLOC that will serve as the main platform to conduct country reviews

Support the preparation of other relevant tools:
- Harmonization of the self-assessment questionnaires
- Blueprint for the lists of observations and summaries
- Guidelines for the country review
The role of the Secretariat

Review phase(s)

- Support the drawing of lots
- Support the preparation (or draft, when appropriate) of the relevant documents of the country review
- Service the discussion on the review process conducted during the WGs
- Ensure the participation of civil society in line with Resolution 9/1
Funding

Mixed funding model: existing regular budget resources complemented by extrabudgetary resources

Create a dedicated account and global programme to ensure funding transparency
Synergies with other programmes

Designed to effectively coordinate with existing projects and programmes related to the implementation of UNTOC and its Protocols.

Close collaboration will be established with HQ colleagues to utilise in-house expertise, resources, and infrastructure.

Synergies will be built to ensure the appropriate coordination of regular budget and voluntary contributions.
Thank you!

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