



First International Anti-Corruption Summer School - IACSS 2007

“Practice Meets Science”

6 to 13 July 2007
Altengbach / Austria

With the scientific support of renowned European and international universities the Austrian Federal Bureau for Internal Affairs (BIA) organizes the “First International Anti-Corruption Summer School” – IACSS 2007 - to be held from 6 to 13 July 2007.

Aim and Objectives

The primary goal of this Summer School is an interdisciplinary transfer of knowledge from science to practice. Based on an innovative, comprehensive and interdisciplinary approach, the different aspects of the phenomenon of corruption will be elucidated. Apart from criminology, the fields of business administration, political economics, psychology and others will be treated.

The First International Anti-Corruption Summer School 2007 shall also promote the exchange of experience between the different participating authorities, be it from the Member States of the EU or from outside the Union, disseminate general and specific knowledge and thus contribute to the fight against fraud and corruption, including fraud and corruption affecting the financial interests of the European Union. Moreover, the Summer School helps to make known OLAF and its working methods by offering a detailed presentation of the Office as well as to

develop effective cooperation by improving the understanding of Community and national mechanisms.

The International Anti-Corruption Summer School 2007 will give a selected audience of senior anti-corruption investigators from the EU, the Western Balkans and countries of the European Neighbourhood Policy as well as advanced university students of anti-corruption related subjects the opportunity to attend interdisciplinary lectures by scientists and experts with comprehensive expertise in the fields of fighting and preventing corruption and profound knowledge about the mechanisms of the corruption phenomenon.

Programme Structure and Delivery

This full time course will start on 6 July and conclude on 13 July 2007 and will last from 08:30 to 18:30 hrs. every day.

The mode of teaching includes lectures, workshops, case analyses, demonstrations, experience sharing and fireside chat.

The Content

will include, inter alia, aspects of:

- Psychology of corruption
- Economics of corruption
- Corruption and the media
- Business sector corruption
- Political corruption
- Corruption and money laundering / shadow economy
- OLAF whistle-blowing programme

The Course Lecturers

- High-calibre academic staff of European and international universities
- International experts



Entry Requirements

In order to develop and strengthen direct links between authorities of Member States of the EU and authorities of neighbouring regions, participation is primarily limited to investigators from EU and Western Balkan countries as well as from countries of the European Neighbourhood Policy who have an excellent knowledge of English (working language: English) and are proved to have several years of experience in criminal investigation in the fields of corruption or white-collar crime. Also, a small number of advanced university students of anti-corruption related subjects from participating universities are invited to submit an application.

Application Procedure

Your organization is invited to nominate a possible candidate. Candidates are requested to send a CV (European CV format) and cover letter (both in English) to the mailbox of the BIA, bmi-IV-6-4-bia@bmi.gv.at, until 30 April 2007, 23:59h. In order to ensure a fair geographical balance, the organizer reserves the right to select the participants. As the total number of participants is limited to 55, we would like to inform you that we can only accept one candidate per country. The submission of application forms does not give rise to a right to participate in the Summer School. The organizer will directly notify applicants and their organizations of the selection of candidates by the end of May 2007.

Financial Aspects

Participants will not have to pay a registration fee. Depending on ongoing negotiations with partner organizations it is most likely that accommodation costs will be covered by the organizer. It should be noted that at any rate, participants have to bear their travel expenses.

Venue

The IACSS 2007 will take place in Altlenzbach, in the Austrian Land of Lower Austria. Due to the proximity to the Austrian capital Vienna (approx. 30 km) and its international airport (approx. 45 km) as well as the direct connection to the motorway A1, Altlenzbach is easily accessible.

The venue of the IACSS 2007 will be the conference hotel "Hotel Lengbachhof". Its quiet location makes it the ideal place for the transfer of knowledge regarding the general motto "Practice Meets Science".

Contacts

Further and recent information on the First International Anti-Corruption Summer School 2007 – including practical information - is available at www.bia-bmi.at (see button "First International Anti-Corruption Summer School 2007").

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