

The Serious and Organised Crime Conference 2023

Converging Expertise: Addressing the Complexity of Serious and Organised Crime

17th June 2023 Online on Zoom







WELCOME TO THE SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME CONFERENCE 2023

On behalf of the Conference Organisers and the esteemed partners, the Centre for Trafficking, Exploitation and Modern Slavery Studies (TEAMS) at the Hume Institute for Postgraduate Studies in Lausanne, Switzerland, and the Centre for Crime, Justice and Security at Staffordshire University, I am delighted to extend a warm invitation to you.

As the Conference Organiser and a Senior Lecturer in the School of Justice, Security and Sustainability at Staffordshire University, I am thrilled to introduce this first collaborative event between our two esteemed institutions. This conference serves as a ground-breaking platform for the convergence of minds, where academics, practitioners, and researchers from around the world can come together to explore the complex landscape of serious and organised crime.

Scheduled to take place virtually on the 17th of June 2023, this event promises to be an enlightening experience. Through the power of Zoom, we will transcend geographical boundaries, creating a space for meaningful discussions, knowledge exchange, and collaborative efforts in combating the everevolving challenges of serious and organised crime.

Our conference programme is carefully crafted to address contemporary topics and cutting-edge research within the field. With an array of sessions featuring renowned experts and scholars, this is an exceptional opportunity for you to gain valuable insights into the latest developments, ideas, and trends. We encourage you to actively engage in discussions, ask thought-provoking questions, and contribute to the collective efforts aimed at fostering a safer and more just society. Whether you are an established academic, a seasoned practitioner, or a passionate researcher, your presence at this conference is of utmost importance. By participating, you will be joining a diverse community of professionals who share a common goal: to understand, prevent, and combat serious and organised crime in all its forms. We sincerely thank you for accepting our invitation and joining us on this virtual journey towards a safer future. Together, we can make a difference.

Warm regards,

LOUIS MARTIN

Conference Organiser and Senior Lecturer, School of Justice, Security and Sustainability, Staffordshire University



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I PROGRAMME

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Virtual Welcome Event Introduction and opening remarks by the conference organisers Networking opportunity for attendees in virtual networking room		
Virtual Panel Session 1 - State Accountability and Financial and Economic Crimes		
10-minute break		
Virtual Panel Session 2 - Technology and Crime		
Lunch Break Participants are encouraged to take a break, grab lunch, and network through virtual chat rooms or video conferencing		
Virtual Panel Session 3 - Transnational Crimes and Social Impacts		
10-minute break		
Virtual Panel Session 4 - Legal Framework and Crime Prevention		
10-minute break		
Virtual Keynote Speech Session Keynote speaker: Ian Acheson, Senior Adviser at the Counter Extremism Project		
Virtual Closing Event Closing remarks by the conference organizers Networking opportunity for attendees through virtual meeting room or video conferencing		
End of Conference		

Join/register for the main event here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN If9o5j1MRzCYwXTa2uI29g#/registration

Join the networking forum here:

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/88213519851?pwd=bG9KYW9ZdFd1K21zRnRZYXZNWWFuQT09

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VIRTUAL PANEL SESSION 1

State Accountability and Financial and Economic Crimes

Speaker	Subject
A. KLSP Dias Research Officer, Supreme Court of Sri Lanka; LLB (Hons) University of Colombo, Sri Lanka	Effectiveness of State Accountability Mechanisms against Economic Crimes: A Case Study of Sri Lanka
B. Dr Maryna Utkina Ph.D. in Law, Associate Professor, Research Fellow; Law School, University of Warwick; Senior Lecturer, Department of Criminal and Legal Disciplines and Procedures, Academic and Research Institute of Law, Sumy State University, Sumy, Ukraine	Financial Monitoring of Organised Crime: Emerging Trends and Challenges
C. Megan Styles Principal Litigation Lawyer with the Australian Federal Police Criminal Asset Confiscation Taskforce; Researcher, Monash University	The deterrent impact of proceeds of crime orders on serious and organised crime
D. Dr. Neeti Shikha Lecturer at the University of Bradford, School of Law, UK	Contours of regulation of Money Laundering in India: Lessons from the UK

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VIRTUAL PANEL SESSION 2

Technology and Crime

Speaker(s)	Subject
A. Dr Niteesh Upadhyay Associate Professor, Symbiosis Law School, Noida Campus, Symbiosis International (University) Pune	The Implications of Artificial Intelligence and Machine Learning Technology in the Combat against Human Trafficking
Hanna Chung Juris Doctor, University of Chicago Law School; Former Deputy Attorney General at California Department of Justice, Criminal Division; AI and Neuroscience Research Fellow at Center for Research in Artificial Intelligence at Romanian- American University	
B. Magdalena Róża Krysiak PhD student Department of Criminal Science Faculty of Law and Administration University of Lodz, Poland	The role of digital evidence in combating transnational organized cybercrime
C. Anenaa Teresa Cherian St. Joseph's College of Law, Bengaluru, India – 560025, Current Position: VII; Semester, B.A. L.L.B. Arnold Stanley St. Joseph's College of Law, Bengaluru, India – 560025, Current Position: VII Semester, B.A. L.L.B.	The Liability of MAV's (Maritime Autonomous Vehicles) for Criminal Purposes- Is the Existing UNCLOS Framework Adequate for Punishing Illicit Drug Trafficking?
D. Dr Alicia Danielsson Director, Centre for Trafficking, Exploitation and Modern Studies, Hume Institute for Postgraduate Studies, Lausanne	The Modern Slavery Act 2015 and the Challenges of Digital Progress: Revisiting the Definition of Trafficking

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VIRTUAL PANEL SESSION 3

Transnational Crimes and Social Impacts

Speaker	Subject
A. Prof. Sezolu Nyekha, Assistant Professor of Law Grade-I, VIT School of Law, VIT University Chennai; NLU, Joadhpur, PhD	Insurgencies In Nagaland: A Tainted Effort Towards Solution
Prof. Rajiv Ranjan, Assistant Professor of Law Grade-I, VIT School of Law, VIT University Chennai; NUALS, Kochi, PhD	
B. Dr. Delia Magherescu Lawyer, Gorj Bar Association, Romania	Current situation of drug trafficking on the Black Sea and surrounding areas
C. TCMK Peiris Project Officer, CINEC Campus, Malabe, Sri Lanka; MPhill (Leading to PhD), University of Colombo, Sri Lanka; BA (Hons) in International Studies, University of Kelaniya, Sri Lanka	Examining the Role of Cultural and Religious Norms in Promoting Misogynistic Extremism in South Asia.
D. Dr. Preethi Lolaksha Nagaveni, PhD(Law), Lancaster University, UK; Dr. Amit Anand, Assistant Professor, School of Legal Studies, REVA University, India	Temple Prostitution in India: An exploitative practice in the name of religion
E. Sudha Upadhyayula, Ph.D. Scholar, School of Gender Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences. Dr. Nilanjana Ray, Assistant Professor, School of Gender Studies, Tata Institute of Social Sciences	Exploring the Modus Operandi of Human Traffickers in India: Tactics, Networks, and Implications

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VIRTUAL PANEL SESSION 4

Legal Framework and Crime Prevention

Speaker	Subject
A. Louis Martin Criminology Course Leader Staffordshire University Melanie Connolly, Student, University of Staffordshire	Martyn's Law - Enhancing public safety, and the impact on security practices
B. Victoria Wozniak-Cole, KU Leuven, PhD researcher	Why Human trafficking is an underreported and underrecognized crime
C. Oluchukwu Jane-Austin Nwachukwu Aberystwyth University, Ceredigion, Wales Department of Information Studies (PhD Student)	Human trafficking and migrant smuggling
D. Wendy Bateman Senior Lecturer in Crime and Criminal Justice, Research Fellow	The Enigma of Female Engagement in Serious Crime: IPV Evidence Based Practice
E. Elodie Fellows Lecturer in Law, Staffordshire University, Research Consultant, United Nations	Sovereignty and the Ukraine

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CEP Senior Advisor Ian Acheson, a former prison governor and senior official in the U.K. Home Office with more than 25 years of experience, is an expert in the U.K.'s criminal justice system, specifically the prevention of Islamist and right-wing radicalization in its prison system and the post-release threat of terrorist offenders.

In 2016, after leaving public service, Acheson led a landmark independent review of Islamist extremism in the country's prison and probation service, which led to transformational change in the way the U.K. manages ideologically inspired offenders. In the years since, he has worked to assist governments across the world to combat violent extremism in their prison systems and other criminal justice reforms in post-authoritarian states. Acheson has also been the director of an international charity and the chief operating officer of Great Britain's legal human rights and equality regulator.

He is currently visiting professor at the University of Staffordshire School of Policing, Law and Forensics.



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