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15th meeting of the Network for investigation and prosecution of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes

DRAFT AGENDA

The Hague, 29-30 October 2013

Chair of the meeting: Mr Tomas Krušna, Deputy Chief Prosecutor, Lithuania

DAY 1 — 29 OCTOBER 2013

- 09:00 – 09:30 *Registration*
- 09:30 – 09:40 **Welcoming Remarks**
Mr Tomas Krušna, Chair of the Meeting
Ms Michèle Coninx, President of Eurojust
- 09:40 – 10:00 **Accession of Croatia – experiences in prosecuting serious international crimes**
Ms Davorka Čolak, State Attorneys Office of the Republic of Croatia
- 10:00 – 10:30 **Establishing a network of specialized prosecutors in Africa – activities of the African Union**
Mr Fafre Camara, Legal Officer, Office of Legal Counsel, African Union Commission
- 10:30 – 10:45 *Coffee and knowledge sharing*
- 10:45 – 16:00 **Criminal responsibility of corporations and business persons for serious international crimes**
- 10:45 – 11:15 The United Nations guiding principles on business and human rights – ending impunity for international crimes perpetrated by corporate actors?
Prof. Michael Addo, University of Exeter, Member of the UN Working Group on the issue of human rights and transnational corporations and other business enterprises (via videoconference)
- 11:15 – 11:45 Modes of corporate complicity and types of crimes committed
Prof. James Stewart, Global Hauser Fellow, NYU Law School



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- 11:45 – 12:15 Criminal prosecution of multinational corporations – is it possible?
Ms Andie Lambe, Freelance Consultant – Formerly Head of International Justice, Global Witness
- 12:15 – 12:45 Overview of EU member states national legislation in relation to criminal responsibility of legal persons
Ms Lynn Verrydt, Academic Assistant, Ghent University
- 12:45 – 13:45 *Lunch*
- 13:45 – 14:15 Some thoughts on ways to overcome difficulties in prosecuting corporations
Mr Carlos Lopez, Senior Legal Advisor, International Commission of Jurists
- 14:15 – 14:45 Dutch experiences in prosecuting corporations and business persons for serious international crimes
Mr Maarten van der Vlugt, Special Legal Officer, Netherlands National Prosecutor's Office
- 14:45 – 15:30 National experiences, including challenges and good practices, in prosecuting corporations and business persons for serious international crimes
Interventions by contact points and discussion
- 15:30 – 15:50 *Coffee and knowledge sharing*
- 15:50 – 16:15 **Initiative for improved EU engagement on the fight against impunity in the field of Justice and Home Affairs**
Ms Tara O'Leary, Redress
- 16:15 – 16:30 **Update on the Initiative for a new treaty on international cooperation for domestic prosecution of the most serious international crimes**
Ms Quirien van Straelen Ministry of Justice, the Netherlands
Mr Gerard Dive, Ministry of Justice, Belgium
- 16:30 – 16:45 **Information on development of Justice Rapid Response**
Ms Chantal Joubert, Complementarity Coordinator, Justice Rapid Response
- 16:45 – 17:05 **Investigating synergies between Eurojust and the Network**
Mr Alfredo Garcia Miravete, Head of Operational Support, Eurojust
- 17:05 – 17:20 **Administrative issues**
Mr Matevz Pezdirc, Genocide Network Secretariat



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Discussion time is foreseen within each presentation.

18:45 Transfer to the restaurant

19:15 Dinner offered by the Network's Secretariat

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DAY 2 — 30 OCTOBER 2013

09:15 - 15:30 **Exchange of experiences from Member States cases (CLOSED SESSION FOR CONTACT POINTS)**

Tour de Table where all contact points are invited to intervene on:

- Overview of investigations*
- Cases and/or presentation of specific issues by contact points*

Discussion

10:30 - 10:45 *Coffee Break*

12:30 - 13:30 *Buffet lunch*

15:15 - 15:30 *Coffee Break*

15:30 – 16:15 **Conclusions**

Working in the Network: assembling a pool of agenda items

Discussion on and adoption of the 15th Genocide Network Meeting Conclusions

16:15 – 16:30 **Closing remarks by the chair of the meeting**

16:45 Shuttle service to Schiphol Airport

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