



Seminar on
Identifying, Restraining and Recovering Stolen
Assets in the OSCE Region
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OVERVIEW AND INTENDED OUTCOMES OF
THE WORKING SESSIONS

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Expert Segment Programme



AIM

- Exchange of practical experience on AR cases and sharing of new knowledge
- Deeper technical understanding
- New professional contacts
- Identification of challenges, priority areas, and capacity building needs
- Produce a set of recommendations for political consideration

WS I: Successes and challenges in Asset Recovery

Session focus:

- Encountered barriers
- Priority areas for enhanced efforts and allocation of sufficient resources
- Good practices on overcoming barriers and finding effective solutions

WS II: International and domestic legal instruments and processes



Session focus:

- Possible measures to accelerate domestication of international legal instruments related to AR
- Current practices in identifying PEPs and their effectiveness
- Ways to increase mutual understanding between jurisdictions with different systems
- Experience exchange on non-conviction-based confiscation measures

WS III: Practices and lessons learned in AR for requesting and requested states



Session focus:

- Strategic components of an AR policy
- Application of legal instruments on the prevention and detection of the transfer of proceeds of crime
- Obstacles encountered in AR investigation and prosecution co-operation in ML and corruption cases, and solutions

WS IV: Asset tracing, freezing and seizure

Session focus:

- Measures needed for rapid tracing, temporary freezing and seizure of assets
- Role of financial intelligence in the investigation and tracing of stolen assets in corruption cases
- Experience exchange on the use of AML frameworks to trace, freeze and seize assets

WS V: Internal and external co-operation and private civil litigation

Session focus:

- Ways to achieve good co-ordination of domestic authorities when acting as requested/requesting in AR cases
- Good practices in MLA to expedite co-operation; difficulties encountered and solutions found
- Experience exchange on the use of private civil litigation on pursuing AR in other jurisdictions

WS VI: Regional co-operation via networks and focal point initiatives

Session focus:

- Experience from the role and functioning of networks and focal points
- Needed channels of communication for functioning exchange of information and co-operation
- Possible measures to strengthen networks and assistance role of international organizations

WS VII: Knowledge materials, self assessments and gap analysis



Session focus:

- Best use of existing AR materials for capacity building and training
- Feedback on national AR priorities and needs
- How can international stakeholders be of assistance?

Thank you!



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