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Message from the Chair of the Board



Prof. Neil Boyd

Chair of the Board

The International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy (ICCLR) has had another active and productive year, though one shaped within the last month of the fiscal year by the events of the global pandemic. It has also been a year of significant administrative change. Joanna Nefs, our Executive Director resigned, effective March 31, 2020, to take on the role of Chief Executive Officer of AIDE Canada, an organization focused on autism and related disabilities. Joanna brought energy, expertise and enthusiasm to the Centre, and completed a number of important initiatives during her time with us, overseeing a reworking of our website and successfully obtaining a number of key grants for the Centre.

Dr. Peter German graciously stepped in as Acting Executive Director, effective April 1st of this year, with the resignation of Joanna Nefs, and I am confident that I speak for the full Board when I say that we are very pleased that he was willing to take on this responsibility, in addition to continuing as President of the Centre.

As we will be meeting virtually in September, rather than during our more usual June time slot, I am able to report that we now have a new Executive Director in place, after a search early in this fiscal year. We are very pleased to have Joanne Macri join ICCLR in this capacity, effective August 10th of this year. Joanne is a Canadian and U.S. trained lawyer who has been working in the United States for the past 20 years, most recently employed by the New York State Office of Indigent Legal Services as the Statewide Chief Implementation Attorney and Regional Initiatives Director.

We continue to receive a core of financial support from the Department of Justice (DOJ) and our financial position has remained stable. Our current funding from the Department of Justice will run to March 31, 2022.

Neil Boyd

ICCLR Overview

The International Centre for Criminal Law Reform (ICCLR) is an independent UN-affiliated international research institute based in Vancouver, Canada.

As a registered charity, it undertakes the development and delivery of technical assistance programs, develops tools and manuals, conducts research and policy analysis, and actively supports international cooperation to fight against serious crimes.

Founded in 1991, ICCLR is a joint initiative of the Government of Canada, University of British Columbia, Simon Fraser University, the International Society for the Reform of Criminal Law, and the Province of British Columbia. It is officially affiliated with the United Nations pursuant to a formal agreement between the Government of Canada and the UN.



ICCLR promotes the rule of law, democracy, human rights, and good governance in criminal law and the administration of criminal justice, domestically, regionally and globally.

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

ICCLR develops and delivers technical assistance programs including needs assessments, capacity building measures, performance indicators, and measurement frameworks. In addition, ICCLR Associates can provide recommendations on legislative reform, legislation drafting and treaty implementation.

ANALYSIS AND REPORTING

ICCLR Associates include criminologists, legal specialists, former law enforcement practitioners, computer scientists and gender experts. Because of this ICCLR is able to offer insights that incorporate multiple perspectives and dimensions in many fields.

THOUGHT LEADERSHIP

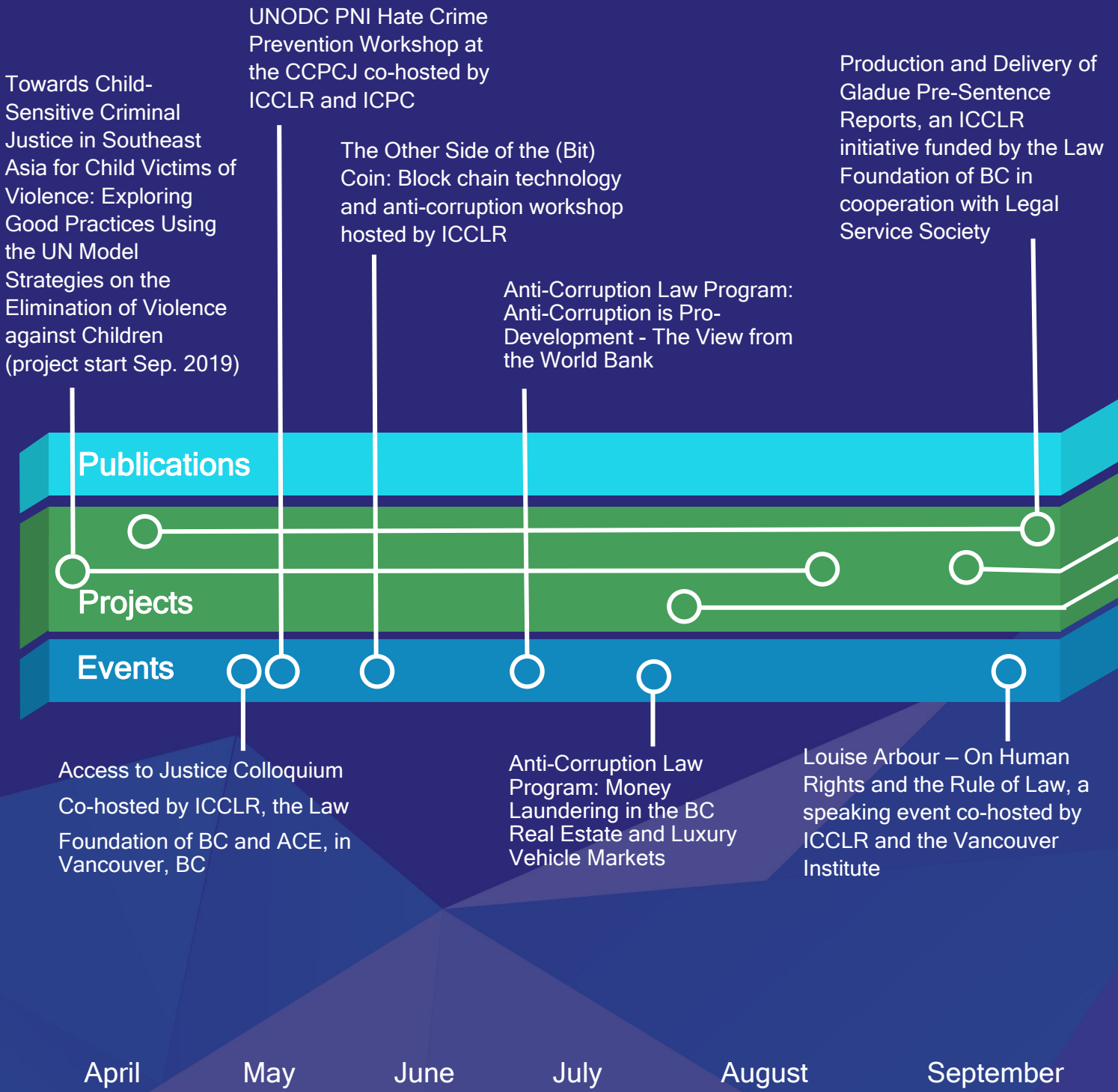
Hosting conferences, developing workshops, and participating in seminars and expert meetings are among ICCLR's most important activities. ICCLR delivers current, timely and community-specific programming to advance conversations with policymakers and stakeholders. ICCLR Associates engage in thought leadership as accomplished workshop leaders and presenters around the world.

ICCLR at a glance

2019/2020



New project proposals submitted





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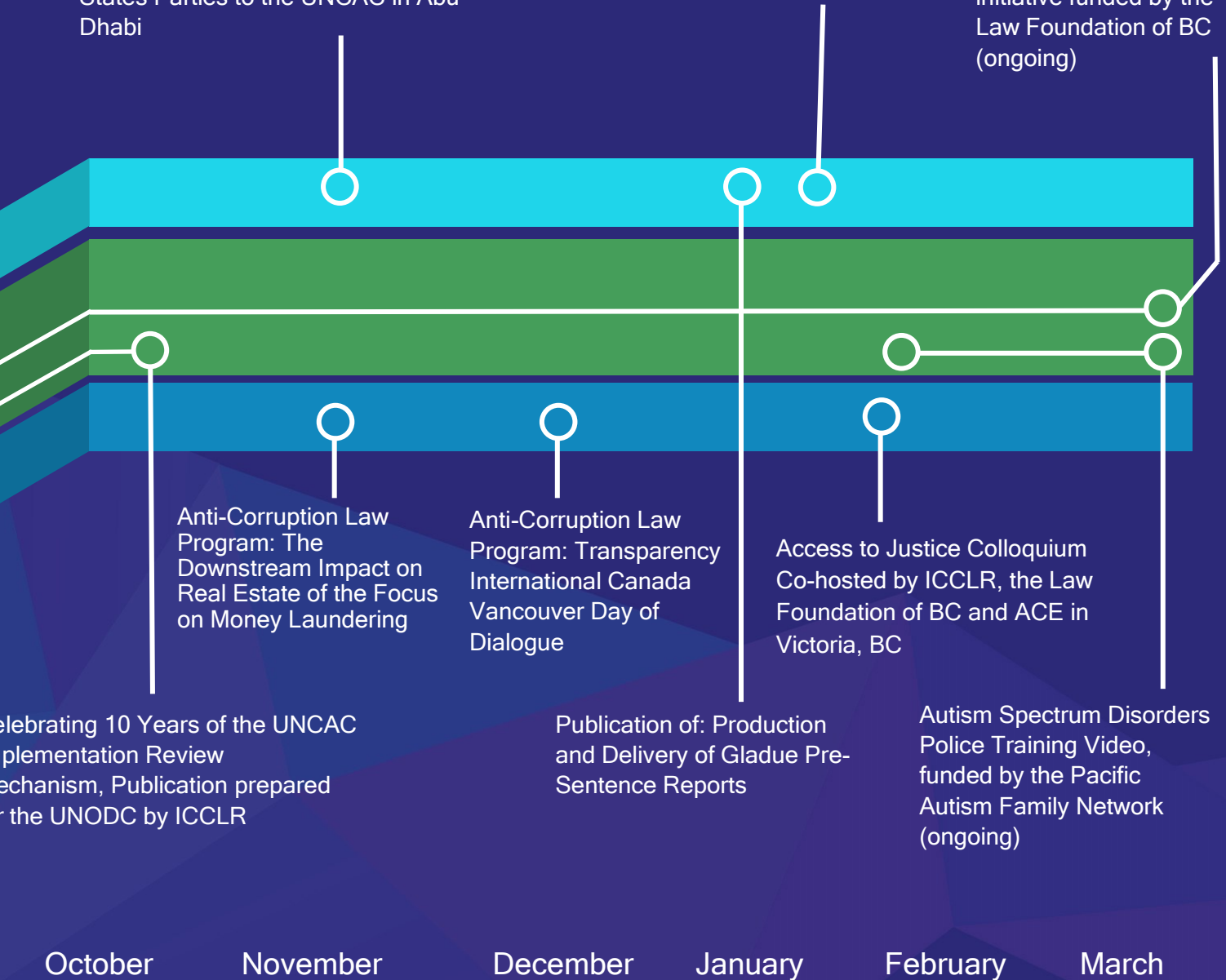
Emails sent out by the ICCLR home team

Projects and proposals involving 12 different countries

Celebrating 10 Years of the UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism – publication published and distributed by UNODC at the Conference of the States Parties to the UNCAC in Abu Dhabi

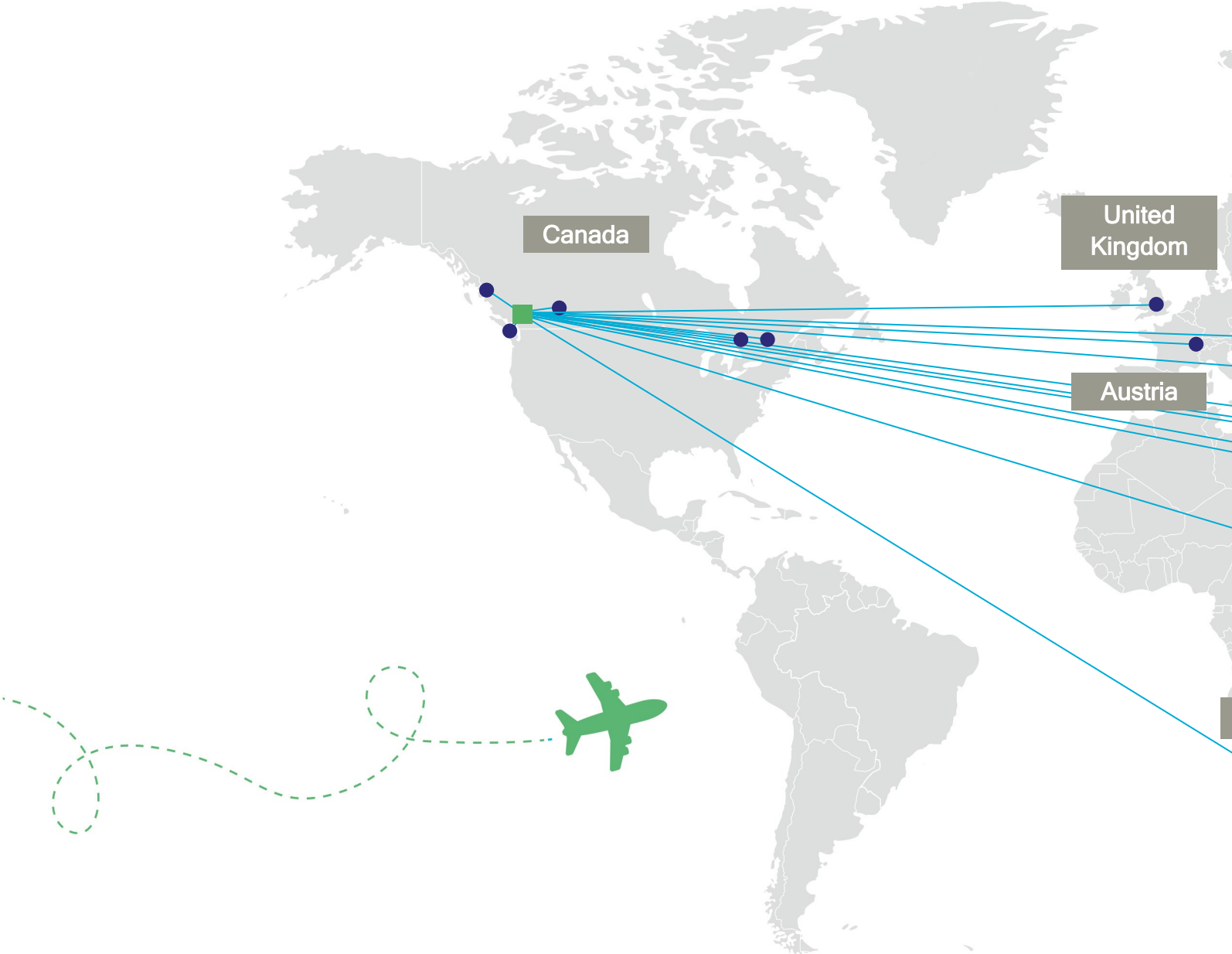
Publication of: Migrant Smuggling Patterns and Challenges for Law Enforcement

E-Gladue: Using Technology to Increase Access to Justice for Remote Indigenous Communities, an ICCLR initiative funded by the Law Foundation of BC (ongoing)



Where ICCLR worked in 2019/20

This year ICCLR and its Associates provided technical assistance, analysis/reporting or thought leadership in the following countries



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Cities ICCLR and its Associates have worked in



1,492

Followers on social media



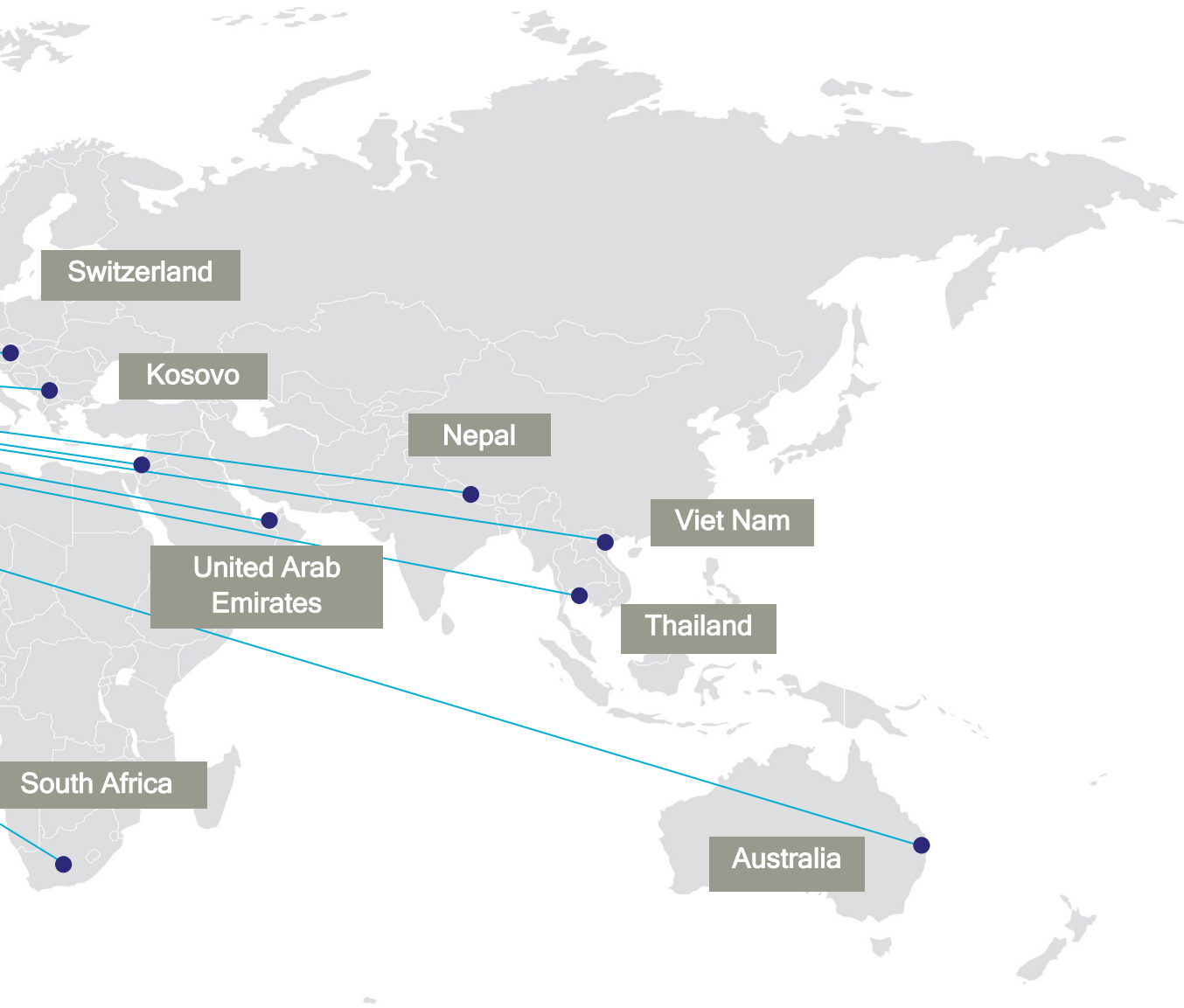
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Publications and blogs



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Presentations and speaking engagements led by ICCLR thought leaders



368

Publications loaded onto our online publication library



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Technical assistance projects

2019/20 Projects

As an independent non-governmental institute, ICCLR is able to undertake projects and provide independent assessments and advice in an innovative and professional manner. ICCLR's flexibility and experience allow us to tailor our work to the areas of interest that are most relevant to our partners in the Canadian government, at the United Nations and in Canadian and international civil society. This year, ICCLR continued to provide insights and fill in data gaps to create meaningful, positive change on issues of criminal law and criminal justice policy.



Gender-Based Violence & Violence Against Children

Regional Plan of Action for the Elimination of Violence against Women

In April 2019, ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider was a panelist at The ASEAN Commission on the Promotion and Protection of the Rights of Women and Children: 2019 Partnership Conference. The session was focused on the future collaboration and implementation of Regional Plan of Action for the Elimination of Violence against Women.

Training course for TIJ staff on gender-responsive criminal justice

This training course was taught by ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider on gender-responsive criminal justice to staff members of the Thailand Institute of Justice.



Cybercrime

TRACE Bribery & Economic Crime Summit Block Chain and Cryptocurrency Pre-Conference Event: Both Sides of the (Bit)Coin

In June 2019, ICCLR hosted the pre-conference event Both Sides of the (Bit)Coin in Vancouver, BC. The speakers at this event discussed both sides of block chain technology and its potential interaction with corruption and criminal law. The event was moderated by ICCLR Senior Associate Gerry Ferguson. Panel speakers included Dr. Chris Rowell (Postdoctoral Research and Teaching Fellow at UBC), Cpl. Aaron Gilkes (RCMP, Integrated Technological Crime Unit) and Mr. Kris Constable (Canadian Institute for Information and Privacy Studies Society). ICCLR Associate Richard Frank conducted an interactive session on tracing illicit bitcoin transactions.

Towards Child-Sensitive Criminal Justice in Southeast Asia for Child Victims of Violence

This forthcoming research project is commissioned and managed in partnership by the Thailand Institute of Justice and ICCLR. Authored by ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider, this report informs and advances the discussion on how to ensure that children subjected to violence in Southeast Asia have access to child-sensitive criminal justice processes and obtain effective justice, protection and redress. It explores good practices using the UN Model Strategies on the Elimination of Violence against Children.

Training of Trainers Course on Preventing and Combating Violence against Women

ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider is developing a training of trainers (ToT) course for the Kosovo Academy of Justice and Council of Europe on preventing and combating violence against women.



Migrant Smuggling & Human Trafficking

[The Failing International Legal Framework on Migrant Smuggling and Human Trafficking](#)

ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand and Associate Jessica Jahn authored this article that observes and discusses the failure of the current international legal framework relating to human trafficking and migrant smuggling. It argues that this framework has failed to provide a solid basis for dealing with these issues and there have been serious consequences due to that failure.

[Migrant Smuggling Networks and their Methods](#)

This expert witness report regarding R v. Michael Kong was authored by ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand. This report was prepared for the Public Prosecution Service of Canada.

[Migrant Smuggling Patterns and Challenges for Law Enforcement](#)

ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand authored this brief focused on complex and fast-changing migrant smuggling patterns and the challenges they present for law enforcement.

[Any Progress Yet? The Role of Civil Society in Monitoring Anti-Human Trafficking Efforts](#)

ICCLR Associate Jessica Jahn and Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand (March 2019) authored this article on the importance of enhancing the role of civil society organizations in reporting on the nature and scope of the problem of anti-trafficking and the effectiveness of government responses.

[Migrant Smuggling Patterns and Challenges for Law Enforcement](#)

ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand authored this report on "Migrant Smuggling Patterns and Challenges for Law Enforcement". It provides a summary of complex migrant smuggling patterns and observations about the particular challenges that these fast changing adaptive patterns pose for law enforcement.

[Exploring Human Rights in the Context of Enforcement-Based Anti-trafficking in Persons Response](#)

As part of The Palgrave International Handbook of Human Trafficking (May 2019), this article written by ICCLR Senior Associate Hayli Millar and Tamara O'Doherty explores the limits of enforcement-based and prosecution-oriented approaches from a human rights lens regarding human trafficking. It considers how anti-trafficking notions of prevention and protection reinforce enforcement-based responses that result in ongoing violations of human rights.



Corrections

[12th National Criminal Justice Symposium: Alternatives to Short-Term Custody](#)

In January 2020, ICCLR Senior Associate Allan Castle served as the Symposium Coordinator for the 12th National Criminal Justice Symposium in Montreal. He also authored the Report of Proceedings.

[Book Donation to Sierra Leone Correctional Service](#)

This year ICCLR and the University of Fraser Valley School of Criminology donated over 200 books to the Sierra Leone Correctional Service.

[Social Reintegration Programmes for Offenders in Current Policies, Laws and Practices of Criminal Judgement Execution](#)

In May 2019, Nguyen Khac Hai and ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand authored this article (pp.221-232) for the Vietnam Academy of Social Sciences.

A New Anti-Corruption Centre

In 2019, ICCLR's Board of Directors agreed to the formation of an Anti-Corruption Centre within ICCLR. This decision was made as a result of a number of factors, not the least being that ICCLR and Associates have been heavily engaged in anti-corruption work around the world for many years and by the absence of any similar centre in Western Canada. Vancouver is a gateway to Asia and North America and therefore serves as a pivotal location for such a centre. The recent emphasis on money laundering in British Columbia only accentuated this fact.

Corruption is a pervasive evil that impacts countries, particularly in the Developing World, in a similar fashion to war and famine. It leads to poverty, a lack of basic services, poor health and education, and reduced opportunities for the

world's poor. The Developing World has often harbored the ill-gotten gains of tyrants and kleptocrats, placing great responsibility on all of us to right a terrible wrong. Quite apart from its international role, Canada is not itself immune to corruption, as evidenced by the recent SNC Lavalin controversy and prosecution.

The new Anti-Corruption Centre builds on project work, training courses, conferences and workshops, research, presentations and writing by ICCLR Associates over the past two decades. It is yet to be named and officially launched. The development of the Centre is being spearheaded by our President who was a Canadian delegate to the United Nations Convention Against Corruption and whose doctoral work centered on the issue of international asset recovery.

Anti-Money Laundering 2019



ICCLR President Peter German co-developed and served as course chair for "Anti-Money Laundering 2019", a legal education course for lawyers in Vancouver by the Continuing Legal Education Society of B.C. ICCLR Senior Associate Gerry Ferguson was a member of the Course Faculty.



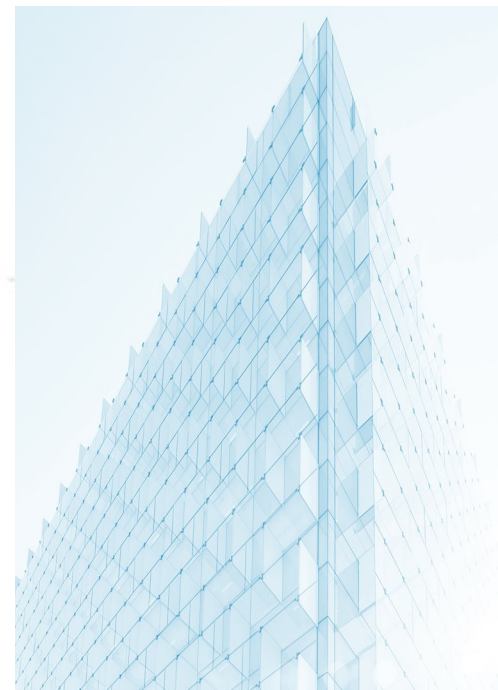
ABC Money Laundering in Canada 2019 Conference

In September 2019, ICCLR Senior Associate Gerry Ferguson and President Peter German presented at this conference regarding the issue of money laundering in Victoria.



Vancouver Model of Money Laundering

As a keynote speaker, ICCLR President Peter German presented at the BC Civil Forfeiture Office's Investigative Techniques and Tactical Resiliency Conference on the topic of the "Vancouver Model of Money Laundering" in October 2019.





Combating Money Laundering in BC Real Estate

ICCLR Senior Associate Maureen Maloney was appointed by the BC Minister of Finance to review money laundering in BC real estate and serve as chair for an expert panel among many other speaking engagements this year. The panel’s final report “Combating Money Laundering in BC Real Estate” was released in May 2019.



Cambridge International Symposium on Economic Crime

The Cambridge International Symposium on Economic Crime is held during the first week of September and is in its 38th consecutive year. As the largest of its kind in the world, the Symposium brings together leaders and practitioners in law, policing, academia, government, NGOs, and private industry for a week of intense plenaries and workshops. ICCLR is very pleased to be one of this year’s organizing institutes. The overarching theme for the 38th Symposium is to determine ‘who is actually harmed, who pays and who should be held accountable for economically motivated crime’.



UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism

This year, at the request of the UNODC, ICCLR developed a publication to celebrate 10 years of the UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism. It was featured and distributed to delegates at the Conference of the State Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption in Abu Dhabi. ICCLR President Peter German attended the Conference of the States Parties in December 2019.

The Anti-Corruption Law Program

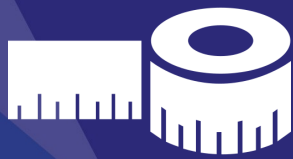
The Anti-Corruption Law Program is a joint program under a collaborative working partnership of ICCLR, the Peter A. Allard School of Law, and Transparency International Canada. Professor Joe Weiler, a member of our Board of Directors, has been the law school’s lead. This year, experts in the field of money laundering and anti-corruption convened for four seminar discussions:

- Anti-Corruption is Pro-Development - The View from the World Bank
- Money Laundering in the BC Real Estate and Luxury Vehicle Markets
- The Downstream Impact on Real Estate of the Focus on Money Laundering
- Transparency International Canada Vancouver Day of Dialogue

The Future

The foregoing are only a few of the many activities involving anti-corruption that occurred during the past year. We are currently framing what the Anti-Corruption Centre will look like when it is officially launched. We are also planning a conference on municipal corruption, as a five-year follow-up to an earlier conference which ICCLR sponsored. During the summer of 2020, we will bring two research students onboard to assist us on these endeavors.

Access to Justice



Access to Justice Metrics Colloquia

This year, ICCLR, together with the UVic Access to Justice Centre for Excellence (ACE) and Access to Justice B.C., co-sponsored two colloquia. The first colloquium convened in May 2019 in Vancouver to produce a high level overview of the access to justice data currently available from access to justice organizations and government institutions. It also served to clarify some of the potential obstacles, including privacy protection laws, to greater information gathering and sharing within the access to justice sector. In February 2020, the second colloquium in Victoria advanced the discussion particularly on privacy protection laws and the legal requirements surrounding the use of personal data for research and evaluation purposes. Colloquium participants endorsed in principle the possibility of creating a BC justice data commons. ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand who developed the Access to Justice Measurement Framework along with ICCLR Associate Jessica Jahn (2017), delivered presentations at both colloquiums.



E-Gladue: Using Technology to Increase Access to Justice for Remote Indigenous Communities

One of ICCLR's new initiatives this year is a project that investigates the ways that technology can be used to increase access to justice for Indigenous communities in remote areas of Canada. This project will serve Indigenous persons living in remote areas of BC by facilitating greater access to restorative justice options for Indigenous persons. It will also assist policy makers in developing programs and policies that specifically address the access to justice barriers that affect Indigenous Canadians. Researchers involved in this project include ICCLR Senior Associates Eileen Skinnider and Ruth Montgomery; Patricia Barkaskas, Dallas Tooshkenig and Marcella Chan.



12th BC Justice Summit - The Summits, Justice Reform, and Assessing Progress

The 12th BC Justice Summit focused on the theme of “The Summits, Justice Reform, and Assessing Progress”. ICCLR Senior Associate Allan Castle delivered a presentation on the “Justice Summit Journey So Far: Overview” and was the Summit Coordinator to author the Report of Proceedings. ICCLR Board Member Justice Thomas Cromwell and ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand also gave presentations: “Can We Measure What Matters?” and “Planning, Performance and Accountability: Opening Presentation”, respectively.



Production and Delivery of Gladue Pre-Sentence Reports

ICCLR successfully published this report in October 2019. This report presents and compares information gathered from interviews with stakeholders from various jurisdictions in Canada about Gladue report service delivery models. The team of researchers involved included Patricia Barkaskas, ICCLR Senior Associates Vivienne Chin and Yvon Dandurand, and Dallas Tooshkenig. On the day of publication, ICCLR also released an accompanying infographic on Gladue reports.



The BC First Nations Justice Council

This year ICCLR Senior Associate Allan Castle authored the following publications for the BC First Nations Justice Council:

- Regional Consultations on a First Nations Justice Strategy, May-July 2019
- Strategy Session, Indigenous Justice Centre Implementation, Richmond, January 2020
- Strategy Session, Indigenous Justice Strategy Roll-out, Kelowna, February 2020
- Evaluation Framework and Evaluation Plan for Indigenous Justice Centres (forthcoming)



Equal Access to Justice - Legal Aid Systems in Canada and Legal Services in BC

In November 2019, the Canada Committee 100 Society (CCS100) held a seminar in Vancouver on the issue of “Equal Access to Justice—Legal Aid Systems in Canada and Legal Services in BC”. The seminar’s core aim was to advance the legal knowledge of the public particularly immigrants so that they are well-equipped to make good use of the legal system; safeguard their rights and interests; and learn how to conduct themselves in accordance with the law. ICCLR Senior Associate Vincent Yang provided an overview of the legal framework of the Canadian legal system and the legal aid system.

Protecting Our Children

Identifying and Addressing barriers to Juvenile Justice Reforms: Lessons for Viet Nam

ICCLR Senior Associates Yvon Dandurand and Vivienne Chin articulate the challenges in developing a comprehensive and effective juvenile justice system in Viet Nam. In May 2019, they delivered the corresponding presentation with this paper to Hanoi Law University.

Report of the Expert Group Meeting on Integrating Sport into Youth Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Strategies

This report authored by ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand culminates the key conclusions and outcomes of the expert group meeting (EGM) on sport and youth crime prevention, held in Bangkok in December 2019. Experts from around the world convened to examine effective ways and means to integrate sport into youth crime prevention, identify emerging good practices, and emphasize the need for robust evaluations for these programmes. The report contains suggestions and recommendations for action by Member States and by UNODC.

A Training Needs Assessment

In June 2019, ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider conducted a training needs assessment for the Family Protection from Violence Unit, Public Prosecution, State of Palestine and UNODC.



Other Publications on Children and the Law

Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Child Victims of Recruitment and Exploitation by Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups

ICCLR Senior Associate Vivienne Chin developed the initial draft for this UNODC Training Manual. This Manual aims to empower professionals to develop an effective and comprehensive response to the rehabilitation and reintegration challenges faced by child victims of recruitment and exploitation by terrorist and violent extremist groups.

Prevention of Children Recruitment and Exploitation by Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups: The Role of Justice System

This Training Manual was developed by ICCLR Associates Yvon Dandurand and Jessica Jahn. This Manual presents comprehensive strategies to prevent child recruitment and exploitation by terrorist and violent extremist groups. Furthermore, it is meant to integrate international juvenile justice and child protection standards into national prevention of violent extremism frameworks.

Restorative Justice

Restorative Justice: Understanding the Approach

In June 2019, ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand delivered a presentation at the National Symposium on Restorative Justice in Bangkok, Thailand. The presentation conveyed the essential groundwork needed for implementing restorative justice programmes.

Restorative Justice: International Perspectives

This presentation delivered by ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand provides an overview of the main components, principles and the challenges related to implementing restorative justice programmes. It was presented at the National Restorative Justice Symposium: Diverse Perspectives in Banff Alberta in Nov 2019.

Justice for Children: An Introduction

Đào Lê Thu and ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand co-edited this textbook on children's access to justice. With the support of Hanoi Law University and UNICEF, this textbook will accompany the inaugural new course "Justice for Children" at Hanoi Law University.

UNODC Expert Group Meeting: Review of the Updated Handbook on Restorative Justice Programmes

In light of the conclusions from the Expert Group Meeting in June 2019, ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand produced the revised UNODC Handbook on Restorative Justice Programmes.

ICCLR at the United Nations



ICCLR is one of eighteen institutes in the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme Network. In UN resolutions, the Programme Network Institutes (PNIs) are often called upon by Member States to carry out research and policy development work. The PNIs meet regularly to coordinate efforts and undertake or support joint programme activities. Here are the ways that ICCLR and our Associates worked with the United Nations this year.

UNODC Expert Group Meeting: Review of the Updated Handbook on Restorative Justice Programmes Bangkok Thailand (June 2019) - ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand attended the EGM and produced a concept note. The advice and input received from the EGM informed the UNODC Handbook on Restorative Justice Programme – Second Edition developed by ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand and Annette Vogt in May 2020.

Prevention of Child Recruitment and Exploitation by Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups: The Role of the Justice System: A Training Manual (August, 2019) - This UNODC publication was developed by ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand and Associate Jessica Jahn.

United Nations Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (CCPCJ) - Hate Crimes Prevention Workshop Vienna Austria (May, 2019) - ICCLR organized the Hate Crimes Prevention Workshop. The theme of the workshop centered on the responsibility of effective, fair, humane and accountable criminal justice systems in preventing and countering crime motivated by intolerance or discrimination of any kind.

Participating in Meeting of UNODC Focal Points on Violence against Women South Africa (November, 2019) - ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider participated in the meeting of UNODC Focal Points on violence against women.

UNODC Handbook for the Judiciary on Effective Criminal Justice Responses to Gender-based Violence against Women and Girls (December, 2019) - ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider authored this publication that focuses on enhancing the knowledge, skills and institutional capacity of the judiciary in dealing with cases of gender-based violence against women and girls.

Background paper for the Expert Group Meeting "Integrating sport into youth crime prevention and criminal justice strategies" Bangkok Thailand (December, 2019) - This background paper was prepared by Prof. Rosie Meek and ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand. It helped to inform the discussion for the expert group meeting on the integration of sport into youth crime prevention and criminal justice strategies.

Rehabilitation and Reintegration of Child Victims of Recruitment and Exploitation by Terrorist and Violent Extremist Groups: A Training Manual (2019) This UNODC publication was developed by ICCLR Senior Associate Vivienne Chin.

Conference of States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption Abu Dhabi United Arab Emirates (December 2019) - ICCLR President Peter German attended the Conference of States Parties.

Celebrating 10 Years of the UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism (December 2019) This publication in celebration of 10 years of the UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism was produced by the ICCLR Home Team in anticipation for the Conference of States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption. It was featured and distributed to all delegates.

Conducting an attrition study on sexual violence in Nepal - This attrition study is currently being conducted by ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider for the UNODC. Work is ongoing.

Other Events, Reports and Publications

- **Discussing Women as Justice Makers** - ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider as author (April 2019)
- ***TIJ-UN Women Collaboration Ceremony and Official Launch of TIJ Research*** - ICCLR Senior Associate Eileen Skinnider as presenter (April 2019)
- ***Press Conference: Survey findings on perceptions of Chinese Canadians regarding the Meng extradition case*** - ICCLR Senior Associate Vincent Yang as panelist (May 2019)
- **CCS100 Survey Project Views of Chinese Canadians on the Rule of Law in relation to Meng Wanzhou's Extradition Case** - ICCLR Senior Associate Vincent Yang as contributor (May 2019)
- ***Upholding the Rule of Law? - The Meng Wanzhou Case and the On-going Crisis between Canada and China*** - ICCLR Senior Associate Vincent Yang as panelist (June 2019)
- ***All Roads Lead to Rome - A Legal Analysis of the Meng Wanzhou Incident*** - ICCLR Senior Associate Vincent Yang as author (June 2019)
- **Press Conference for the launch of Stop Racism Alliance** - ICCLR Senior Associate Vincent Yang as panelist (October 2019)
- **Developing Strategies on Violence Prevention and Community Safety in Abbotsford, BC** - ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand as author along with Dr. Amanda McCormick and Dr. Satwinder Kaur Bains (October 2019)
- **Organized Crime Observatory: Organized Crime and Better Governance International Conference** - ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand as presenter (October/November, 2019)
- **Global Initiative of Organized Crime Consultation Meeting: Future of Organized Crime** - ICCLR Senior Associate Yvon Dandurand as a participant for a consultation meeting (November 2019)
- **Autism Spectrum Disorders Policy Training Video** - ICCLR Senior Associate Ruth Montgomery as adviser (ongoing)

Impact Report for 2019/20

By the Numbers

The ICCLR Impact Report serves to measure our value to our partners and our impact in our areas of focus. There are currently 111 past and on-going projects loaded into our project tracker database that are individually being tracked under a set of key metrics. This year, we found that 30 organizations have worked and/or funded projects led by ICCLR Associates. We also celebrate this year the fact that ICCLR and its Associates have been involved in 54 projects whether it was providing technical assistance, analysis/reporting or thought leadership around the world. We continue to work on issues of criminal law and criminal justice policy where data gaps are present, information is limited, and where meaningful positive change can occur when government policies are strengthened.

Telling Our Stories

ICCLR's long history of successful partnerships with authorities and civil society organizations all over the world speaks to the quality of our work and to our ability to continue to assist governments in developing and sustaining healthy, safe communities. Because of the nature of our work, however, we may not be able to report on the impact of our initiatives for some time after projects are completed. The following narratives describe some of the accomplishments of ICCLR and our Associates in previous years and share how the results of work we did then is being felt today.

30

Organizations have worked and/or funded projects led by ICCLR Associates this year

54

Projects completed this year either in providing technical assistance, analysis/reporting or thought leadership around the world

Promoting Essential Justice and Policing Services for Women and Girls Subjected to Violence



In many parts of the world, violence against women remains a highly prevalent, socially tolerated and largely unpunished crime. ICCLR has, since its inception, acted as a bridge between the local, national and international criminal justice systems to build capacity to prevent and respond to gender-based violence. ICCLR Senior Associates, Eileen Skinnider and Ruth Montgomery had the opportunity to work with the following UN agencies: UN Women, UNFPA, UNODC, WHO and UNDP to develop *Module 3: Justice and Policing of the Essential Services Package: Core Elements and Quality Guidelines for an Effective Response to Violence Against Women*.

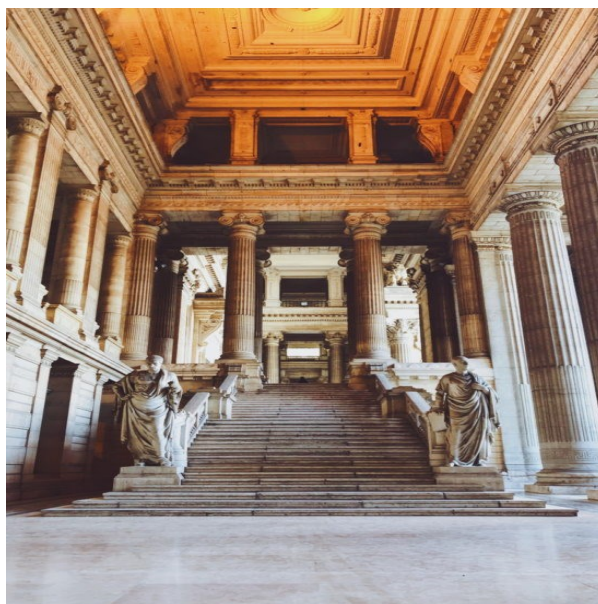
The *Essential Services Package* is currently being implemented in ten (10) pilot countries including: Cambodia, Solomon Islands, Kiribati, Pakistan, Viet Nam, Tunisia, Mozambique, Egypt, Guatemala and Peru with a view to supporting and advocating for their global rollout. There are also now an additional 46 'self-starter' countries using the *Essential Services Package* on their own initiative. An initial assessment of the Programme organized by UN Women and UNFPA found that the *Essential Services Package* has been recognized as a minimum standard for effective response to violence against women globally.

Module 3 has served as a foundation for the development of further global tools by UN agencies to assist justice providers deliver quality essential justice and policing services. They include the forthcoming UN Women-led handbook on gender-responsive policing and the forthcoming UNODC police response training manual developed by the UNODC Mexico office.

Module 3 has also been used as a foundational piece in the work of ICCLR Senior Associates, Ruth Montgomery and Eileen Skinnider. For example, the *Essential Services Package* served as guidance for an assessment undertaken in Namibia for UNODC to support the government of Namibia's efforts towards enhancing a coordinated multi-disciplinary cross-agency approach in responding to gender-based violence. It has also informed the Viet Nam National Guidelines for the Provision of the Criminal Code and the Criminal Procedure Code Towards Improved Access to Justice for Women Subjected to Violence that was supported by the UN Women Viet Nam Office. Its principles have been used as a guideline for the development of victim support services by the recently established Victim Support Asia network, to identify access to justice issues for women in rural and remote areas of the province of British Columbia, Canada and by a Canadian national working group to develop multi-disciplinary training to address the needs of victims of terrorism and mass violence events.

Monitoring the Performance of Canada's Criminal Justice System

Over the last decade, recognizing a growing public sector interest in measuring the performance of the criminal justice system and the impact of criminal law reform, ICCLR has focused some of its work on the development of performance measurement tools and processes. ICCLR Associates contributed to the development of the *UN Rule of Law Indicators* (2011) and to international discussions regarding indicators of progress towards Sustainable Development Goal No. 16 (Access to Justice) in the post-conflict context. This was followed by additional projects to develop key performance indicators for the criminal justice system, for criminal legal aid, and for access to justice in general.



In 2019, the Department of Justice Canada introduced the first performance monitoring framework for Canada's criminal justice system (*State of the Criminal Justice System - 2019 Report*). The framework is based on feedback from multi-phased consultations with criminal justice system partners, stakeholders and experts, and technical support by ICCLR Senior Associate, Yvon Dandurand. Notably, the framework draws from a report co-authored by ICCLR Senior Associates, Yvon Dandurand and Alison MacPhail (*Using Indicators to Help Improve the Justice System*, 2014), and a reference guide produced by ICCLR in collaboration with the Thailand Institute of Justice (*Justice Indicators and Criminal Justice Reform*, ICCLR/TIJ, 2015). These same tools were also used as a starting point for the development of a military justice performance network (*Military Justice Performance Measurement Metrics, A Measurement Framework*, Office of the Judge Advocate General of Canada, 2019).

The UN Convention Against Transnational Organized Crime

Adopted by the General Assembly in 2000, the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime is the main international instrument in the fight against transnational organized crime. After the UNCATOC was adopted there was still considerable debate regarding the best review mechanisms to adopt.

It was not clear which reporting mechanisms and tools should be utilized to give the convention the greatest reach and efficacy. ICCLR supported UNODC and the Assembly of the State Parties to the convention by developing: Reporting Guidelines for States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (2008), and Elements of a mechanism to review the implementation of UNTOC and UNCAC (2009).

After considering these options for several years, in October of 2018, the State Parties to the UNTOC adopted the “Procedures and Rules for the Functioning of the Mechanism for the Review of the Implementation of the UNTOC and its Protocols”.



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Law Foundation of British Columbia	Comparative Analysis of Gladue Report Delivery Programs in Canada	\$96,000
Thailand Institute of Justice	Child-Sensitive Criminal Justice in Southeast Asia	\$80,000
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime	Celebrating 10 Years of the UNCAC Implementation Review Mechanism	\$13,282
Pacific Autism Family Network	Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) Police Training Video	\$16,000
Public Safety Canada	Strengthening the Protective Environment for Children of Parents in Conflict with the Law	\$63,350
Law Foundation of British Columbia	Criminal Justice Reform - Identity Theft and Fraud	\$100,000
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime	South Sudan Prison Reform	\$379,800
Ethiopia Ministry of Justice	Ethiopia Criminal Justice Reform Project	\$193,750

2020/21 Work Plan

We continue to follow the Strategic Plan approved by our Board in 2018, advancing programs and initiatives in a number of key areas, including access to justice, restorative justice, violence against women and children, corrections, and anti-corruption. As we continue with the current plan's objectives and action points, we do so in furtherance of our stated goals of demonstrating and sharing ICCLR's impact on criminal justice, diversifying ICCLR's financial model, and making the best use of our pool of talent and expertise. We hope to refresh the Strategic Plan this year, as we all continue to adapt to a changing world.

With many of our current objectives already complete, or well underway, we will increasingly focus on new horizons and expanding our reach in already well-established areas of strategic interest. This includes continuing collaborative projects at home and abroad, and with other members of the UNODC program network of institutes. The amazing expertise that we already possess among our associates in terms of anti-corruption work will allow us to advance our vision of an international, anti-corruption centre within ICCLR. We are confident that such a centre can play a significant role in the domestic and international fight against both corruption and money laundering.



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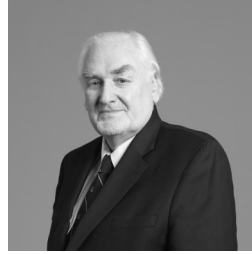
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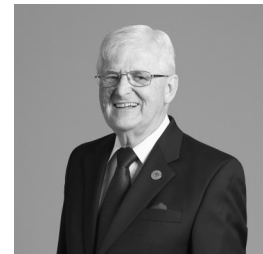
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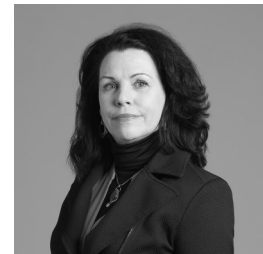
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