

Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation (MASHAV)  
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in cooperation with

The Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE)

The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

The International Organization for Migration (IOM)

The Institute of Advanced Judicial Studies

The Anti-Trafficking Unit, Israeli Ministry of Justice



Israeli Ministry of Justice



IOM - International Organization for Migration



are pleased to invite you to apply to the following seminar:

**International Seminar for Judges:  
THE CRITICAL ROLE OF THE  
JUDICIARY IN COMBATING  
TRAFFICKING  
IN HUMAN BEINGS**

27-30 Oct., 2014

Haifa, Israel

## About the Seminar

The seminar targets active criminal judges and/or judges who participate in judicial training activities within their own jurisdiction (such as a national judicial training institute), with a view to a broader dissemination of knowledge and tools in the long term.

The premise of the seminar is that judges play a central role in combating trafficking in persons. Beyond deciding upon the guilt or innocence of alleged

perpetrators and sentencing considerations, judges also make key decisions on the interpretation of trafficking laws and the evidence required to establish the crime. Their decisions also affect victim identification criteria, impact upon assessments of victim credibility and may involve protection steps on behalf of victims. All these decisions are critical to the overall success of anti-trafficking efforts. Depending on the jurisdiction, judges may also

provide guidance to law enforcement agencies and/or actively participate in the investigation phase. Furthermore, judges may be called upon to cooperate and exchange information with judicial officials from various countries, especially in light of the transnational nature of the crime.

This 4-day seminar will provide participants with the opportunity to exchange their experiences and ideas from the different

perspectives of countries of origin, destination and transit, and to learn from Israeli and international experts' best practices, programs and methodologies. Furthermore, it is hoped that the workshop will contribute towards establishing a network of judges and/or judicial training officials to nurture cross-border collaboration and exchange of information in the common fight against human trafficking.

## The program includes lectures from international experts, from abroad and Israel as well as study visits that will focus on:

- The international framework of combating trafficking in persons
- Key issues and concepts which arise in cases of trafficking
- Patterns of trafficking, forms of exploitation and means used by traffickers
- Psychological symptoms of victims of trafficking
- Evidential problems specific to trafficking cases
- Best practices for the protection of victims
- The rights of victims in criminal proceedings including non-criminalization/non-punishment
- The importance of international cooperation
- Mock trial for all participants highlighting core issues in seminar

## Partner Organizations

### OSCE, Office of the Special Representative and Co-ordinator in Combating Trafficking in Human Beings

The OSCE is a regional security organization comprising 57 participating States founded on the principle of cross-dimensional and comprehensive security. The OSR-CTHB was established in 2003 to raise the public

and political profile of combating trafficking in human beings, assist participating States in the implementation of OSCE commitments, such as the OSCE Action Plan to Combat Trafficking in Beings and work in close cooperation with internal and external partners. Strategic priorities of the OSR-CTHB include enhancing strategies and action to better prevent THB,

raising the profile and quality of the criminal justice response, promoting the protection of victims' rights, and strengthening partnership in the Alliance against Trafficking in Persons.

### UNODC, The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

UNODC is the custodian of the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and its supplementary protocol to Prevent, Suppress, and Punish Trafficking in Persons, especially Women and

Children. As such, its primary goal is to promote global adherence to these international instruments and to assist states in their effective implementation and in particular – assisting states in bringing their domestic legislation in line with the Protocol and in developing effective criminal justice responses to human

trafficking. In the framework of the Global Plan of Action, it provides training to Member States and especially to criminal justice practitioners and has developed a series of central tools tailored to this important target audience which includes judges.

### **IOM, the International Organization for Migration**

Established in 1951, IOM is the leading inter-governmental organization in the field of migration and works closely with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental partners. With 155 member states, a further 11 states holding observer status and offices in over 100 countries, IOM is dedicated to promoting humane and orderly migration for the benefit of all. It does so by providing services and advice to governments and migrants.

IOM has been working to counter the trafficking in persons since 1994. In this time, it has implemented more than 800 projects in over 100 countries, and has provided assistance to approximately 25,000 trafficked persons. Its primary aims are to prevent trafficking in persons, and to protect victims from the trade while offering them options of safe and sustainable reintegration and/or return to their home countries.

### **The Institute of Advanced Judicial Studies**

Established in 1984, the Institute of Advanced Judicial Studies operates from offices located at the Supreme Court in Jerusalem, Israel and is granted total independence. The Institute holds seminars open to all judges on topics including: Court Administration, Judgment Writing, Credibility of Witnesses, Child Abuse, Immigration and Refugee Law, Class Actions, Decision-making, Game Theory and Law, and

Media and the Law.

The Institute's curriculum stresses the need for an efficient judicial system and therefore focuses these training seminars on increasing the efficiency of the judges' work, including their administrative tasks. In addition to training by subject, special seminars are held for courts of special jurisdiction, such as family courts and labor courts.

### **The Anti-Trafficking Unit, Israeli Ministry of Justice**

The Anti-Trafficking Unit coordinates the government of Israel's efforts to fight trafficking in persons in Israel. It serves as a bridge between governmental agencies and NGOs, encourages cooperation between all relevant actors, identifies new trafficking patterns, diagnoses problem areas, conducts professional trainings and serves as a source of information and expertise.

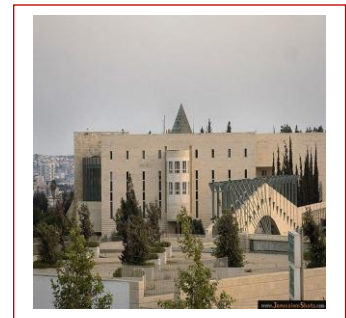
### **MASHAV, Israel's Agency for International Development Cooperation**

- at Israel's Ministry of Foreign Affairs was founded in late 1957, and is responsible for the design, coordination and implementation of the State of Israel's development cooperation programs. MASHAV concentrates on human and institutional capacity building by sharing

Israel's own development experience and expertise, imparting know-how and transferring innovative technologies and tested methodologies adaptable to a developing country's needs. MASHAV's approach is to ensure social, economic and environmental sustainable development, joining the international community's efforts to implement the

Millennium Development Goals by 2015.

In the event of natural disasters, MASHAV also provides humanitarian assistance and participates in reconstruction and rehabilitation efforts.



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**MCTC The Golda Meir Mount Carmel International Training Center**

MCTC was established by MASHAV in 1961 to assist in the training of women engaged in community work in the newly emerging states in Africa and Asia.

Since the establishment of MCTC, over 18,500 participants from more than 150 countries in Asia, Africa, Europe, Central Asia, Eastern Europe, Latin America, Middle East, Oceania and the Caribbean have attended almost 630 capacity building programs and 27 International Conferences for Women Leaders, conducted in Israel.

MCTC focuses on three areas of study: Community Development, Organization and Management of Microenterprises and Early Childhood Education, all with gender as a cross-cutting issue. In each training program there are up to 30 women and men from 10 to 27 countries. Usually two workshops are conducted concurrently in different languages (English, French, Spanish, Russian or Arabic).

The Center is located on Mount Carmel in Haifa. The building consists of living accommodation, classrooms, recreation and dining facilities. A library specializing in education, social sciences and humanities, and a computer laboratory with internet access serve the participants.

**Information for Applicants**

**MASHAV SCHOLARSHIPS** are awarded to participants from developing countries and provide full accommodation and board.

**PARTICIPANTS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OTHER EXPENSES**

\*\*Other requests for assistance will be reviewed on an individual basis.

**Travel:** International travel fares are the responsibility of the candidate or his/her sponsoring organization.

Passports and visas must be valid for the period of the workshop and include an entry visa into Israel when needed. Two additional passport-size photographs are also required for various documents.

**Language:** The seminar will be conducted in English. Applicants must have a high level of English proficiency.

**How to Apply:** You can find the questionnaire by clicking on the following links:

Word format-  
[http://mctc.co.il/act\\_det%20judges%202013](http://mctc.co.il/act_det%20judges%202013)

Pdf format-  
<http://mctc.co.il/public/files/attachments/235/WvyIpO.pdf>

or on our website-  
[www.mctc.co.il](http://www.mctc.co.il)

**\*\*Questionnaires** should be sent to the Israeli Diplomatic and/or Consular Representatives serving your country. They are to be submitted no later than 1 July, 2014.

An additional copy of the questionnaire must be sent to **Shachar Re'em** at MCTC ([Shachar@mctc.co.il](mailto:Shachar@mctc.co.il)) and to Malca Cohen-Nahari at MASHAV ([Malca.Cohen-nahari2@mfa.gov.il](mailto:Malca.Cohen-nahari2@mfa.gov.il)) \*\*

**\*\*Medical Declaration**  
Please provide a signed letter from your doctor confirming your fitness to attend the seminar.



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