



Special Session Two of the Arab Forum on Asset Recovery:

Financial Investigation in Asset Recovery Cases

Agenda

Savoy Hotel Conference Center, SOHO Square

Sharm el Sheikh, Egypt

June 11-13, 2013

Objectives of Special Session II:

- Share good institutional practices in conducting financial investigations, including participation in practitioners networks (such as the Interpol-StAR Focal Points network and others);
- Increase awareness of results-oriented strategies (1) to plan and lead financial investigations involving multiple targets, assets, and jurisdictions, and (2) to establish a clear link between corrupt acts and their proceeds;
- Develop skills to identify and utilize a number of approaches to conducting financial analysis and investigations;
- Gain familiarity with various tools and techniques for successful financial investigations (i.e., bank accounts analysis, tracing of assets and visualization of results);
- Provide a platform for bilateral and multilateral side-meetings between the countries seeking asset recovery and the various G8 members, partner and regional countries.

Day 1: Tuesday, June 11, 2013		
Strategy and planning of an investigation – Role of the financial investigator in tackling corruption and tracing assets		
<i>Egypt Hall, Savoy Conference Center</i>		
08:30-09:00	<i>Registration</i>	
09:00-09:30	Opening Ceremony Welcoming remarks	H.E. Counsellor Ahmed Soliman, Minister of Justice of the Arab Republic of Egypt H.E. Dr. Ali Bin Fetais Al Marri, Attorney-General of the State of Qatar Mr. Joseph Barker, United Kingdom, G8 Presidency
09:30 - 09:45	Key note address: Success and challenges of Egypt's Asset Recovery Efforts	H.E. Counsellor Talaat Abdallah, Prosecutor General of the Arab Republic of Egypt
09:45 - 10:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
<i>British House, Savoy Conference Center</i>		
10:15 - 10:30	Introduction of participants: Expectations and learning objectives	Mr. Oliver Stolpe, Senior Advisor, StAR
10:30 -12:00	Session I: Basics of Financial Investigations Presentation 1: Using financial investigations in combating corruption by Jonathan Benton. Presentation 2: Corruption and financial investigations in Egypt by Khaled Abdel Rahman. Presentation 3: The role of the financial investigator in asset recovery – the Canadian experience by Moustaffa Allou.	Moderator: Mr. Nigel Bartlett, Senior Investigator, StAR Speakers: 1. Mr. Jonathan Benton, Asset Recovery Agency, Met Police, United Kingdom 2. Mr. Khaled Abdel Rahman, Head of International Cooperation Department of Administrative Control Authority, Egypt 3. Mr. Moustaffa Allou, Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), Canada
12:00-13:30	<i>Lunch and bilateral meetings</i>	
13:30-15:00	Case Exercise I: Investigation planning Based on a case study, participants will work in small teams of 6-8 participants with the task of planning an investigation into grand corruption and asset recovery.	Lead Facilitator: Mr. Jonathan Benton Facilitators: Ms. Nancy Langston (DOJ, US), Mr. Nigel Bartlett (StAR), Ms. Lisa Bostwick (StAR), Ms. Larissa Gray (StAR), Mr. Yasser M. Raffaie (CROLAC), Mr. Badr El-Banna (UNODC), Mr. Stephane Berthiaume (RCMP), Mr. Moustaffa Allou (RCMP).
15:00 -16:00	Case Exercise I (continued) Presentation and discussion of results of case exercise in break out rooms: Groups composed of two teams will present to each other and comment on the results of their work.	Lead Facilitator: Mr. Jonathan Benton Group facilitators: Ms. Nancy Langston (DOJ, US), Mr. Nigel Bartlett (StAR), Ms. Lisa Bostwick (StAR), Ms. Larissa Gray (StAR), Mr. Yasser M. Raffaie (CROLAC), Mr. Badr El-Banna (UNODC), Mr. Stephane Berthiaume (RCMP), Mr. Moustaffa Allou (RCMP).

16:00 -16:30	Presentation: Effective investigation planning – sequencing, data mining, and interpretation of financial information by Jonathan Benton.	Speaker: Mr. Jonathan Benton
16:30-18:30	<i>Bilateral meetings</i>	
20:00-22:00	<i>Reception hosted by Mr. Stephen Hickey, British Deputy Ambassador to the Arab Republic of Egypt</i>	

Day 2: Wednesday, June 12, 2013		
Research and gathering of financial information/ securing and preserving electronic data		
<i>British House, Savoy Conference Center</i>		
09:00-10:45	<p>Session II: Sources of financial information – open source investigation</p> <p>Presentation: Open Source Investigations by Nathan Coutts</p> <p>Practical Exercise: Using open sources to establish financial information on targets of investigation</p> <p>Questions & Answers</p>	<p>Moderator: Ms. Lisa Bostwick, Senior Investigator, StAR</p> <p>Speaker: DS Nathan Coutts, Asset Recovery Agency, Met Police, United Kingdom</p>
10:45-11:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:15-13:00	<p>Session III: Computer forensic</p> <p>Presentation: Identifying, securing, preserving and interpretation of digital and electronic information by Nathan Coutts.</p> <p>Demonstration of tools and methods</p> <p>Questions & Answers</p>	<p>Moderator: Ms. Lisa Bostwick, Senior Investigator, StAR</p> <p>Speaker: DS Nathan Coutts, Asset Recovery Agency, Met Police, United Kingdom</p>
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch and bilateral meetings</i>	
14:30-16:30	<p>Group 1 (non-Egmont members): Egmont membership process</p> <p>Moderator: Mr. Moustaffa Allou (RCMP)</p> <p>Presentation: Introduction to and benefits of Egmont membership by Mr. Yasser Abdelaziz, Head of International Cooperation Department, Egyptian Money Laundering Combating Unit and Mr. Ahmed Elbashari, Senior Advisor, MENA Affairs, International Programs Division, Financial Crimes Enforcement Network (FinCEN), US Department of the Treasury.</p> <p>Questions & Answers</p>	<p>Group 2 (Egmont members) Making use of the Egmont Network</p> <p>Facilitators:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Mr. Kevin Stephenson, Executive Secretary of Egmont Group 2. Mr. Badr El-Banna, Criminal Justice Officer, UNODC <p>Discussion of good practices and challenges to effective information exchange/ international cooperation among FIUs.</p>
16:30-18:30	<i>Bilateral meetings and meeting of Facilitators of Day 3</i>	
20:00-22:00	<i>Dinner hosted by the Rule of Law and Anti-Corruption Center, Qatar</i>	

Day 3: Thursday, June 13, 2013		
How to build the money trail: reading and understanding financial documentation		
<i>British House, Savoy Conference Center</i>		
09:00-10:45	Session IV: Identifying criminal financial flows in the banking system Questions & Answers	Moderator: Ms. Larissa Gray, Sr. Financial Sector Specialist, StAR Speakers: 1. Mr. Hamza Chraiti, Financial Investigators in economic crime, Geneva Court House, Switzerland 2. Ms. Arielle Neidhart, Financial Investigators in economic crime, Geneva Court House, Switzerland Discussant: Mr. Badr El-Banna, Criminal Justice Investigator, UNODC
10:45-11:15	<i>Coffee Break</i>	
11:15-13:00	Case Exercise II: Follow the Money Trail Participants will work on a case exercise with various money transfers to analyze bank accounts and documentation. <i>Topics/Learning Objectives:</i> Examination of bank accounts and their ownership. Drawing-up a flowchart.	Lead Facilitator: Mr. Hamza Chraiti and Ms. Arielle Neidhart. Group facilitators: Mr. Badr El-Banna (UNODC), Ms. Nancy Langston (DOJ, US), Mr. Moustaffa Allou (RCMP), Mr. Ahmed Elbashari (FinCEN), Mr. Yasser Abdelaziz (EMLCU), Ms. Larissa Gray (StAR) and Mr. Kevin Stephenson (Egmont)
13:00-14:30	<i>Lunch and bilateral meetings</i>	
14:30-15:30	Case Exercise No. 4 (continued) Participants will have the opportunity to present the flowchart built during the previous session. The facilitator will then review and discuss the outcomes.	Lead Facilitator: Mr. Hamza Chraiti and Ms. Arielle Neidhart Group facilitators: Mr. Badr El-Banna (UNODC), Ms. Nancy Langston (DOJ, US), Mr. Moustaffa Allou (RCMP), Mr. Ahmed Elbashari (FinCEN), Mr. Yasser Abdelaziz (EMLCU), Ms. Larissa Gray (StAR) and Mr. Kevin Stephenson (Egmont)
15:30-16.15	Wrap-up session: 1. Review of learning objectives 2. Final round of Questions & Answers 3. Evaluation of Special Session II	Facilitator: Mr. Oliver Stolpe , Senior Adviser, StAR
16:15-16:30	Closing Remarks	Judge Dr. Mohamed Barakat, Department of International Cooperation, Ministry of Justice, Egypt
16:45-18:30	<i>Bilateral meetings</i>	