



BIOGRAPHIES – WORKSHOP 1B

Workshop 1B: The role of the prosecutor in the sentencing process

CHAIR:

Michael Leitner, Deputy Procurator General, Procurator General’s Office, Austria

Mr. Leitner was appointed a Deputy Procurator General of the Austrian Procurator General’s Office in 2012. Previously, he had been serving as judge of a District Court in Vienna (2002-2003), as Public Prosecutor at the Vienna Public Prosecution Office (2003-2007), as advisor at the Austrian Federal Ministry of Justice (2007-2009) and as Senior Public Prosecutor at the Public Prosecution Office at the Vienna Court of Appeal (2009-2011).

Besides his role as Deputy Procurator General he is active as a member of the board of the Austrian Association of Prosecutors, as a member of the board of directors of the International Association of Penal Law (AIDP/IAPL) and as a member of the Consultative Council of European Prosecutors at the Council of Europe (CCPE).

In 2022 he was elected as a member of the IAP Executive Committee.

SPEAKERS:

Edward Muhumuza, Chief State Attorney, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, Uganda

Edward Muhumuza is a Chief State Attorney/Legal Manger to the Director of Public Prosecutions, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP), dealing with Legal and Policy matters at National and International Level.

He previously worked at the Anti-Corruption Department, and District filed Offices around the country prosecuting a multiplicity of offences. He was recently recognized for his outstanding Prosecution of Cases involving Trafficking in Persons in Uganda - 2023. He has worked in the Office of Director of Public Prosecutions for 15 years.

He holds a Master of Laws (LLM) from Makerere University Kampala, Post Graduate Diploma in Legal Practice, LLB Makerere University Kampala. In addition, he has trained in Anti-corruption, Money Laundering, Financial Investigations, Asset Recovery; and Counter-Terrorism from the International Institute for Justice and the Rule of Law in Malta.

Hui Choon Kuen, Third Chief Prosecutor, Attorney-General's Chambers, Republic of Singapore

Choon Kuen joined the Singapore Legal Service in 1998. He is presently the 3rd Chief Prosecutor of the Crime Division of the Attorney-General's Chambers of Singapore ("AGC"). He has previously served as a Justices' Law Clerk, an Assistant Registrar of the Supreme Court, a District Judge of the State Courts, Director Legal Services of the Ministry of Manpower and Ministry of Defence, Deputy Chief Counsel of the Civil Division and Chief Executive of the AGC.

Dr Eissa Qaid Saeed Muhammad Al-Thuraib, Director of Communications and International Cooperation Unit, Office of the Attorney General, Republic of Yemen

Scientific Certifications:

- Doctoral Degree (PhD) in Private Law , Faculty of Law, Aden University, 2018
- Diploma in English Language, from MALI Institute, 2013.
- Language Proficiency Certificate in English, Languages Institute, Aden University, 2014.
- Master Degree in Private Law, Faculty of Law, Aden University, 2007.
- High Diploma in Private Law, Faculty of Law, Aden University, 2003.
- Bachelor Degree in Law, Faculty of Law, Aden University, 2002.

Work Experiences more than 20th years :

- Office Manager for General Prosecutor -Republic of Yemen, since November2016
- Deputy Prosecutor for Violations and Traffic, Lahj, April 2016.
- Elected member of the board of Directors of the Yemen Judges Club; Head of the Rehabilitation, Training and Judicial Reform Department, August 2013.
- Media official of the Judicial Forum Aden Governorate February 2013.

- Prosecution Member of Security and Investigation, Sanaa Governorate. 24 November / 2013.
- Elected Member of the Board of Directors of the Judicial Forum in Aden Governorate Feb. 2012.
- Prosecution Member of Security and Investigation in Aden Governorate June, 2011.
- Lecturer in a Training Course for Trainee Lawyers Prepared by the Bar Association-Aden, 2009.
- Prosecution Member of Al Mansoura District in Aden Governorate, May, 2005.
- Prosecution Assistant on 15 August 2004.
- Trainee Lawyer after Graduation in 2002.

I have several pieces of academic law research and the rule of law for the promotion of democracy.

McFarlane Njoh, Senior Crown Attorney, Nova Scotia Public Prosecution Service, Canada

McFarlane Njoh is a lawyer, author, facilitator, community organizer, video creator and entrepreneur. A graduate of Dalhousie University with a Bachelor of Arts Honors in Political Science and a Juris Doctor from Dalhousie's Schulich School of Law. He was called to the Nova Scotia Bar in 2017 and has worked as a Prosecutor since then and is currently a Senior Crown Attorney with the Nova Scotia Public Prosecutions service. He primarily prosecutes in indigenous communities.

Marc as he is commonly called was born in the Cameroons specifically in the territory known as Southern Cameroons or Ambazonia as it is otherwise called. He studied law and Political Science in Cameroon. He migrated to Canada where he completed his studies and began his career in the public service. Marc is a parent to three children aged 14, 9 and 6.

He has served and continues to volunteer on many boards and organizations during his time in school and in the community. Marc is a founding member of various initiatives and continues to be very active in his community.

Marc was awarded the Nova Scotia Barristers Society's Presidents Award for leadership in 2017 for his community volunteer work and leadership. He also received the 2022 Federal Provincial and Territorial Heads of prosecutions Humanitarian award for his contributions to humanity in Canada and abroad. He is co-founder of Peace Through Film Society – which seeks to promote peace and conflict resolution using film and dialogue. His first book is titled “Stronger – 8 Steps to Evict Stagnation” and can be found on Amazon.

His interests range from cooking, writing, podcasting, ministry, sports, and many things outdoors like 4wheeling and kayaking. Marc loves spending time with family and friends living la vida loca.

Elnur Musayev, Head of Non-Criminal Proceedings Department, General Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Elnur Musayev is the Head of the non-Criminal Proceedings Department, which among other issues has the national prosecutorial jurisdiction over execution of sentences in criminal cases. Elnur is an active prosecutor since 1998 and acted as international expert evaluation 16 countries in the field of fight against corruption in Europe, North America, Africa and Asia - within the framework of the Council of Europe's GRECO, OECD Anti-Corruption Network and UNCAC evaluation platforms. He contributed to the development of manuals on barriers to international cooperation and asset recovery by World Bank and UNODC and authored numerous articles published in Brazil, US, Belarus and other countries.

He hold double master degrees from the Universities in UK and Austria.