

**UNITED NATIONS REGIONAL CAPACITY BUILDING WORKSHOP
ON TREATY LAW AND PRACTICE
AND THE DOMESTIC IMPLEMENTATION OF TREATY OBLIGATIONS**

Hosted by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia

Ljubljana, 28-30 May 2007
Castle Jable (Knights Room)

PROGRAMME OF THE WORKSHOP

Day 1:

- 9:30 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Registration**
- 10:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. **Opening Ceremony**
Minister of Justice of the Republic of Slovenia Dr. Lovro Šturm
Ms. Anita Pipan, Director-General for Policy Planning and Multilateral Relations, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Slovenia
Mr. Bradford Smith, Deputy Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs
Mr. Jernej Sekolec, Secretary of UNCITRAL, UNCITRAL Secretariat, International Trade Law Division, UN Office of Legal Affairs
- 10:45 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. **Introduction**
Introduction of Speakers and Participants; participants' understanding of international lawmaking, in particular via treaties; workshop expectations
- 11:30 a.m.– 11:45 p.m. **Coffee break**
- 11:45 p.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Overview of International Treaty Law, the UN Office of Legal Affairs and Treaty Section mandates**
Mr. Bradford Smith, Deputy Chief, Treaty Section, UN Office of Legal Affairs
- 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Lunch break**
- 2:00 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Depositary Practice of the UN Secretary-General; Participation in Multilateral Treaties; Reservations, Declarations and Notifications; Final Clauses**

Mr. Bradford Smith, Deputy Chief, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs

3:45 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Coffee break

4:00 p.m. – 5:15 p.m.

Registration Obligation of States under Article 102 of the UN Charter, the Publication of Treaties in the UNTS, Using the UN Treaty Series database to research State practice

Ms. Sherry Holbrook, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs

5:15 p.m. – 6:15 p.m.

International Law Commission

Ambassador Ernest Petrič

7:30 p.m.

Reception by the Host State

Day 2:

10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

Introduction to International Trade Law and UNCITRAL

Mr. Jernej Sekolec, Secretary of UNCITRAL, UNCITRAL Secretariat, International Trade Law Division, UN Office of Legal Affairs

11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m.

Coffee break

11:45 a.m.– 12:30 a.m.

International Trade Law and UNCITRAL (cont.) and the Convention on the Recognition and Enforcement of Foreign Arbitral Awards

Mr. Jernej Sekolec, Secretary of UNCITRAL and Mr. Luca Castellani, Legal Officer, UNCITRAL Secretariat, International Trade Law Division, UN Office of Legal Affairs

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Lunch break

2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods (CISG), Convention on the Limitation Period in the International Sale of Goods and the UN Convention on the Use of Electronic Communications in International Contracts

Mr. Luca Castellani, Legal Officer, UNCITRAL Secretariat, International Trade Law Division, UN Office of Legal Affairs

- 3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. **Coffee break**
- 3:45 p.m.– 5:30 p.m. **International Legal Framework Against Terrorism and the Relevant Counter-Terrorism Instruments**
Mr. Stefano Betti, Terrorism Prevention Expert, UN Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC)

Day 3:

- 9:30 a.m.– 11:00 a.m. **UN Convention against Corruption**
Mr. Demosthenes Chryssikos, Crime prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, UN Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- 11:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. **Coffee break**
- 11:15 a.m.– 12:30 p.m. **Content and Implementation Mechanisms of the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime and the Protocols thereto**
Mr. Demosthenes Chryssikos, Crime prevention and Criminal Justice Officer, UN Office of Drugs and Crime (UNODC)
- 12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Lunch break**
- 2:00 p.m.– 3:00 p.m. **Implementation of Treaty Obligations: Compliance Mechanisms, Reporting Obligations in Human Rights Treaties**
Ms. Sherry Holbrook, Legal Officer, Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs
- 3:00 p.m.– 3:15 p.m. **Coffee break**
- 3:15 p.m.- 4:30 p.m. **Workshop wrap-up and Completion of Evaluations; Discussion of Plan of Action for Implementation**