FEATURE

Law, Justice and Development (LJD) Week 2014: Financing and Implementing the Post-2015 Development Agenda
October 20-24, 2014 | World Bank Headquarters, Washington DC
Registration is now Open!

The first two days of LJD Week 2014 will be devoted to “Financing and Implementing the Post-2015 Development Agenda”, while the geographic focus of Wednesday will be on “Europe”, followed by the “International Financial Institutions’ Day” on Thursday — with the traditional round table of General Counsel. Friday is dedicated to the meeting of the “Insolvency Task Force” and other topics.

The contribution of GFLJD partners will be very significant this year with more than 30 sessions and side events led by GFLJD TWGs and CoPs, as well as a meeting of the Steering Committee. See list of sessions under Events below.

We are super-excited about this year’s event, which promises to be bigger and better than ever! As always, we are grateful for your help to disseminate information about the event to your contacts by posting it on your websites, and mentioning it in emails, blog posts, and other channels using the links below. If you or your members want to blog, tweet or post on Facebook, please consider using these hashtags: #lawjusticedev #Post2015.

Website: http://www.worldbank.org/ljdweek2014
Registration: http://www.worldbank.org/ljdweekregister
Agenda: http://www.worldbank.org/ljdweekagenda
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NEWS FROM THEMATIC WORKING GROUPS

TWG Empowerment and Equity for Diverse Communities

- “Persons with Disabilities: Law, Policy and Practice on Inclusive Education: Lessons from the Eastern African Community, have been presented at the Seventh Session of the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities on June 11, 2014. Please find the following related documents:
  Guidance Note on the Right to Inclusive Education: Law, Policy and Practice
  Desk Review of the Legal and Regulatory Framework of EAC Countries and Compliance with the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities

- Protection of Children from Violence through the Internet and Associated Technologies: Two regional studies focusing on to Latin America and Asia are under review and will be formally presented at the LJD Week 2014.

TWG Environmental and Natural Resources Law
Sustainable Energy for All (SE4All) updates:
- Development of a list of organizations and initiatives that are implementing the SE4All objectives and a database of written resources for legal scholars, practitioners and policy-makers who are engaged with the SE4All initiative.
- Creation of a website with legal resources on SE4All.
- Attendance at the SE4All Forum at UN Headquarters from June 4-6, which demonstrated that although many acknowledge that legal or regulatory barriers to sustainable energy development needed to be addressed, or that an enabling regulatory environment can assist this development, it seemed that there remains little exploration of this issue in depth. This provides some support to the need for this subgroup.
- SE4All members from George Washington University, IDLO, University of Leicester, University of Auckland and University of Ottawa presented papers at the IUCN Academy of Environmental Law Colloquium from June 30-July 4 in Tarragona, Spain, on the topic of Sustainable Energy.
- Implementation of activities that may be financed through Korea-WBG Partnership Facility, pending proposal approval.
- Members of this subgroup are discussing collaboration opportunities to develop more specific projects in particular countries, dependent on funding opportunities.

TWG Governance and Anticorruption

- “Corruption Warning Signs”, a World Bank publication is now available in Portuguese “Sinais de Alerta de Corrupção e Fraude um Processos Licitatorios”, thanks to Judge Marcio Rocos, Humphrey Fellow at the World Bank, who is the author of the translation from the original version, tailored to address the specific targeted audience of Brazilian prosecutors, judges, law enforcement authorities and lawyers. Ministerio Publico do Estado de Minas Gerais kindly provided peer review of the document.
- Institut des Hautes Etudes sur la Justice (IHEJ) has developed a proposal on a “Colloquium on Settlement in Fraud, Corruption and Asset Recovery Matters” for discussion, and ultimately to establish a CoP.
- Drivers of Corruption Subgroup has finalized the review of present scholarly literature on drivers of corruption. The final product will be soon available on the World Bank and GFLJD web sites as well as on the C4D platform. The next phase will involve members of the CoP in internal analysis of anticorruption policies and practices. Findings will be discussed during the LJD Week 2014.

NEWS FROM COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE

CoP African Mining Law

- The African Mining Legislation Atlas (AMLA) is a legislation gathering, dissemination and capacity-building project. It includes: (i) collecting, processing and storing all Africa’s mining laws and regulations into an online ICT platform with interactive features to provide comparative data, (ii) elaborating a guiding template with a menu of options and examples for the full range of issues covered under a mining law, and (iii) capacity building and transfer of the ICT platform to the regional partners. The Project is developed in partnership with the African Legal Support Facility (ALSF), University of Cape Town (South Africa), University of Eduardo Mondlane (Mozambique), and University of Douala (Cameroon). The official launch of the Project will take place during the LJD Week 2014. Link to the Project Summary.

CoP Compensatory Measures in International Government Procurement Contracts

- The CoP at its 4th virtual meeting, on July 22, 2014, reviewed the analysis of offsets requirements, offsets related corruption cases, and comparison between UNCITRAL model law and regulations of 10 focus countries. All the material produced is available on C4D.

CoP Information Society and Cybercrime

- The official launch of the project “Combating Cybercrime: Tools and Capacity Building for Emerging Economies” took place at the World Bank on July 17, 2014. GFLJD partners and Korean Supreme Prosecutors’ Office will bring together their expertise to develop diagnostic tools and capacity building materials based on international best practices. The project is financed by the Korean Government.
CoP Intellectual Property

- Public Interest Intellectual Property Advisors (PIIPA) has proposed a CoP on Intellectual Property. This is a community of practitioners interested in promoting IP for global public goods. We seek to explore more effective ways of leveling the playing field in the area of IP to realize the full potential of IP as an equitable and valuable tool/mekanism for human and economic development in developing countries. We seek collegiality, collaborations, documentation of how IP does work as an anti-poverty tool, evidence as to how IP does work as a legal tool contributing to the strengthening of national legal infrastructures and legal systems, sharing of knowledge, capacity building, multi-directional learning, and creation of innovative IP solutions to long-term global challenges. We are open to exploring the full range of IP for global public goods, from hard IP to soft IP to non-IP still peripheral to the IP system.

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EVENTS

Sessions/Events led by GFLJD TWGs and CoPs during LJD Week 2014
October 20-24, 2014 | World Bank Headquarters, Washington DC

Monday, October 20
9:00-10:30 – Global Forum Steering Committee Meeting
2:00–3:30 – African Mining Legislation Atlas: Pilot Launch
4:00-5:45 – Exploring Regional Options for Development
4:00-5:30 – Meeting CoP Health

Tuesday, October 21
9:00-12:30 – Addressing the Billion Person Equity Gap: Disability-Inclusion in the Post-2015 Development Goals (Part 1)
9:00-10:30 – Implementation of Economic and Social Rights
9:00-10:30 – Meeting TWG Intellectual Property
11:00-12:30 – Social and Economic Equity in the Sustainable Development Goals
11:00-12:30 – Combating Cybercrime: Tools and Capacity Building for Emerging Economies
2:00-3:30 – Disability Inclusion in Post-2015 Development Goals
2:00-3:30 – Knowledge Café: Implementing Rule of Law for Sustainable Development in Practice
2:00-3:30 – Virtual Currencies
2:00-3:30 – Cybercrime and Child Pornography
2:00-3:30 – Making the Case: Rule of Law in the Emerging Development Agenda

Wednesday, October 22
9:00-10:30 and 11:00-12:30 – Environmental and Natural Resources Law Meeting
11:00-12:30 – Two Main Pillars of EU Financial Architecture
11:00-12:30 – Human Trafficking
11:00-12:30 – Problems of Migration and Minorities
1:00-2:15 – Working lunch on Ethics, Governance and Law
2:00-3:30 – Fighting Against Money Laundering
2:00-3:30 – Hate Crimes: Promoting Fairness, Justice, and Equity Through Community Awareness and Effective Prosecution (Simultaneous interpretation)
2:00-3:30 – European Supervision Authorities and Union’s Institutional Balance of Powers
2:00-3:30 – Solidarity in EU Law
2:00-3:30 – Machiavelli in the 21st Century
4:00-5:30 – Anticorruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia
4:00-6:00 – EU Accession Issues
Thursday, October 23
9:00-10:30 – How to Improve Good Governance through Enforcement? (Title TBC)
11:00-12:30 – Small Scale PPP
11:00-12:30 – Developments in Cross-border Insolvency and Effects on Emerging Economies in Europe and Beyond
2:00-3:30 – Drivers of Corruption
2:00-3:30 – The Resolution of Cross-border Financial Institutions
4:00-5:30 – Insolvency Developments in Europe
4:00-5:30 – Helping Grow Capital Markets
6:00-7:00 – Meeting CoP Insolvency

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