



IPI SEMINAR

TRANSNATIONAL ORGANIZED CRIME AND THE PALERMO CONVENTION: A REALITY CHECK

Wednesday, October 6, 2010 from 8:30am – 1:00pm

Trygve Lie Center for Peace, Security & Development
International Peace Institute
777 UN Plaza, 12th floor
(Corner of 44th Street and 1st Avenue)

AGENDA

- 9:00am Welcoming Remarks
Edward C. Luck, Senior Vice President for Research and Programs,
International Peace Institute (IPI)
- 9:10 – 10:10am **Panel 1: Recent Trends in Transnational Organized Crime (TOC) and its Evolving Nature, Growth, and Global Impact**

Moderator: **Peter Gastrow**, Senior Fellow and Director of Programs, *IPI*

Global Trends and Developments
Speaker: **Nick Lewis**, Regional Manager, Serious Organized Crime Agency (SOCA), *British Embassy, Washington, D.C.*

Impact of TOC on Developing Countries
Speaker: **Peter Gastrow**, Senior Fellow and Director of Programs, *IPI*
- 9:55 – 10:10am Questions, Comments, and Discussion
- 10:10 – 10:55am The Evolution and Impact of TOC in Latin America
Speaker: **Phil Williams**, Professor of International Security, *Graduate School of Public and International Affairs, University of Pittsburgh, Philadelphia*

Current and Expected Developments in China
Speaker: **Wing Lo**, Professor of Criminology, *City University of Hong Kong, China*
- 10:55 – 11:15am Questions, Comments, and Discussion
- 11:30 – 12:15am **Panel 2: Assessing the Role of the Palermo Convention**

Moderator: **Peter Gastrow**, Senior Fellow and Director of Programs, *IPI*

Evaluating the Palermo Convention

Speaker: **John Picarelli**, Social Science Analyst, *National Institute of Justice, United States Department of Justice*, Washington, D.C.

Ten Years of Palermo Convention: An Assessment of its Role in Countering TOC

Speaker: **Catherine Volz**, former Chief of the Human Security Branch of The Division for Operations, and Chief of the Treaty and Legal Affairs Branch, *United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC)*, Vienna

12:15 – 12:50pm

Questions, Comments, and Discussion

12:50 – 12:55pm

Closing Remarks

Edward C. Luck, Senior Vice President for Research and Programs, *IPI*