

# UNAFEI

**UNITED NATIONS ASIA AND FAR EAST INSTITUTE**  
FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS



# *For a Peaceful and Prosperous World*

"We desire to occupy an honoured place in an international society striving for preservation of from the earth." - From the Preamble of the Constitution of Japan



peace, and the banishment of tyranny and slavery, oppression and intolerance for all time





# *Strong Commitment to Justice*

*Discussing problems, sharing experiences, seeking solutions*







The 20th  
**UNAFEI UNCAC Training Program**  
**COURSE ORIENTATION**  
UNAFEI  
Programme Officer

1CH JAPANESE  
2CH ENGLISH  
3CH

1:00 Course Overview  
1:15 UNAFEI Orientation  
1:30 Grounds Tour of UNAFEI  
1:45 Self-Introductory Session  
2:00 Course Orientation (15:00)  
2:15 Questions & Answers (15:00)

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# UNAFEI contributes to the enhancement of justice in the international community

The United Nations Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders (UNAFEI) is one of the United Nations Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme Network Institutes (PNI), established in 1962 by an agreement between the United Nations and the Government of Japan. The PNI consists of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) in Vienna and several interregional and regional institutes and specialized centres around the world.

UNAFEI's main activities are to hold international training courses/seminars for criminal justice practitioners from around the world and to undertake research in the field of prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders, paying particular attention to the UN Conventions and the Sustainable Development Goals for 2030(SDGs).

In line with the United Nation's strategies and efforts on crime prevention and criminal justice, UNAFEI conducts its activities in order to promote sound development of criminal justice systems and mutual cooperation amongst the UN member states. Its activities are fully funded by the Government of Japan, and are highly valued as Japan's important contributions to the international community.

The Government of Japan, more specifically, the Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice of Japan is responsible for operating UNAFEI's activities. The Director of UNAFEI is appointed upon consultation with the United Nations. Professors and staff, selected from among Japanese police officers, public prosecutors, judges, correction officers, probation officers, etc., undertake UNAFEI's activities in cooperation with related organizations, such as the the UNODC, the Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA) and the Asia Crime Prevention Foundation (ACPF).

As the oldest PNI Insistute, UNAFEI takes part in the creation and implementation of United Nations strategies on crime prevention, criminal justice and the treatment of offenders, in close cooperation with other Institutes.

## Programme Network Institutes (PNI)

UNODC (Austria)	<a href="http://unodc.org">http://unodc.org</a>
UNICRI (Italy)	<a href="http://www.unicri.it">http://www.unicri.it</a>
UNAFEI (Japan)	<a href="http://www.unafei.or.jp/">http://www.unafei.or.jp/</a>
ILANUD (Costa Rica)	<a href="http://www.ilanud.or.cr">http://www.ilanud.or.cr</a>
HEUNI (Finland)	<a href="http://www.heuni.fi">http://www.heuni.fi</a>
UNAFRI (Uganda)	<a href="http://www.unafri.or.ug">http://www.unafri.or.ug</a>
NAUSS (Saudi Arabia)	<a href="http://www.nauss.edu.sa">http://www.nauss.edu.sa</a>
AIC (Australia)	<a href="http://www.aic.gov.au">http://www.aic.gov.au</a>
ICCLR (Canada)	<a href="http://www.icclr.law.ubc.ca">http://www.icclr.law.ubc.ca</a>
SII (Italy)	<a href="http://www.siracusainstitute.org">http://www.siracusainstitute.org</a>
NIJ (USA)	<a href="http://nij.gov/">http://nij.gov/</a>
RWI (Sweden)	<a href="http://www.rwi.lu.se/">http://www.rwi.lu.se/</a>
ISPAC (Italy)	<a href="http://ispac.cnpds.org">http://ispac.cnpds.org</a>
ICPC (Canada)	<a href="http://www.cipc-icpc.org">http://www.cipc-icpc.org</a>
KIC (Korea)	<a href="http://eng.kic.re.kr">http://eng.kic.re.kr</a>
ISS (South Africa)	<a href="http://www.issafrika.org">http://www.issafrika.org</a>
BIG/ICAR (Switzerland)	<a href="http://www.forum.assetrecovery.org/">http://www.forum.assetrecovery.org/</a>
CCLS (China)	<a href="http://ccls.bnu.edu.cn/english/">http://ccls.bnu.edu.cn/english/</a>
TIJ (Thailand)	<a href="http://www.tijthailand.org">http://www.tijthailand.org</a>



Participants of an international training course arrive at UNAFEI



Her Royal Highness Princess Bajrakitiyabha of Thailand visits UNAFEI

## HISTORY

- Mar. 1954 The 1st United Nations Asia and Far East Convention for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders is held in Rangoon, Burma (now Yangon, Myanmar). A resolution is adopted calling for the establishment of a U.N. regional training institute in Asia.
- Mar. 1961 The U.N. and the Government of Japan sign an agreement establishing a United Nations regional training institute in Japan (March 15). Administrative and financial responsibilities are borne equally by the two.
- Mar. 1962 UNAFEI is inaugurated (March 15).
- Sep. 1962 The 1st International Training Course is conducted.
- Apr. 1970 The Government of Japan assumes all administrative and financial responsibilities following an amendment of the March 1961 agreement.
- Jan. 1982 The UNAFEI building in Fuchu, Tokyo is completed.
- Mar. 1993 His Imperial Highness, The Crown Prince Naruhito, visits UNAFEI.
- Dec. 2003 UNAFEI receives an award from the President of the National Personnel Authority.
- Aug. 2009 Her Royal Highness Princess Bajrakitiyabha of Thailand visits UNAFEI.
- Dec. 2012 The Joint Ceremony for UNAFEI's 50th and ACPF's 30th Anniversaries.
- Jan. 2013 Her Royal Highness Princess Bajrakitiyabha visits UNAFEI.
- Sep. 2015 The 25th Anniversary Seminar of the United Nations Standard Minimum Rules for Non-custodial Measures (The Tokyo Rules).
- Oct. 2017 UNAFEI moved into the International Justice Center in Akishima.

# Technical Assistance

## International training courses and senior seminars

UNAFEI holds two international training courses and one international senior seminar annually. In each course/seminar, a main theme focusing on an important global issue, paying particular attention to the UN Conventions and the SDGs, is selected and discussed. UNAFEI has conducted a total of 174 courses/seminars (as of March 2020).

The international training course in spring mainly focuses on crime prevention issues or countermeasures against various types of crime, while the one in autumn concentrates on the treatment of offenders. The international senior seminar in winter deals with broader issues of criminal justice. The duration of the international courses is five to six weeks and their participants are criminal justice practitioners holding a relatively senior or high-ranking positions. Approximately twenty overseas and five to ten Japanese participants take part in each course/seminar. The programmes mainly consist of presentations by participants, lectures by UNAFEI professors and Japanese or overseas experts, observation visits to criminal justice agencies, group workshops and plenary discussions.

## UNAFEI-UNCAC Training Programme

UNAFEI has held an international training course entitled the “UNAFEI-UNCAC Training Programme” annually since 2000. Participants discuss and study the current situation of, and challenges in the countermeasures to, corruption, and then to explore ways and best practices for effective investigation, prosecution and adjudication of corruption offences, in order to better implement the provisions of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC). Every year, approximately twenty overseas and six Japanese participants, take part in this course.

### Themes of international training courses/seminars

2016	162nd	Multi-agency Cooperation in Community-based Treatment of Offenders
	163rd	Children as Victims and Witnesses
	164th	Effective Measures for Treatment, Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration of Juvenile Offenders
2017	165th	Juvenile Justice and the United Nations Standards and Norms
	166th	Criminal Justice Procedures and Practices to Disrupt Criminal Organizations
	167th	Rehabilitation and Social Reintegration of Organized Crime Members and Terrorists
2018	168th	Enhancing the Rule of Law in the Field of Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice: Policies and Practices Based on the United Nations Conventions and Standards and Norms
	169th	Criminal Justice Practices against Illicit Drug Trafficking
	170th	Treatment of Illicit Drug Users
2019	171st	Criminal Justice Response to Crime Motivated by Intolerance and Discrimination
	172nd	Criminal Justice Responses to Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants
	173rd	Tackling Violence against Women and Children through Offender Treatment: Prevention of Reoffending
2020	174th	Prevention of Reoffending and Fostering Social Inclusion: From Policy to Good Practice



Individual presentation by a participant



Lecture by a UNAFEI professor



Group workshop



Presentation by participants at a Plenary Meeting



# Technical Assistance

## Bilateral technical assistance

Upon request from recipient countries around the world and the United Nations, UNAFEI provides bilateral technical assistance in the field of crime prevention, criminal justice and treatment of offenders. Such assistance mainly includes training courses and seminars both at UNAFEI and overseas locations.

Since 2013, UNAFEI has conducted a series of programmes called the "Joint Comparative Study on the Criminal Justice Systems of Japan and Nepal", which aims at improving the Nepali criminal justice system through comparative studies involving Nepali criminal justice officials and UNAFEI. Nepali criminal justice officials learn about the Japanese criminal justice system through lectures, discussions, and visits to Japanese criminal justice agencies.

Upon taking over the Viet Nam training programme from the International Cooperation Department of the Research and Training Institute of the Ministry of Justice in 2014, UNAFEI supports Viet Nam's efforts to reform and improve its criminal justice system through conducting a series of programmes called the "Joint Comparative Study on the Criminal Justice Systems of Japan and Viet Nam", as well as holding training courses for officers of Viet Nam's Supreme People's Procuracy.

UNAFEI has provided technical assistance in the field of prison reform in Myanmar since 2015, which is focused on the capacity-building of prison officers in Myanmar through seminars in Myanmar and Japan.

UNAFEI also is co-organizing a series of training programmes in Thailand for effective community-based treatment of offenders in the CLMV countries (Cambodia, Lao PDR, Myanmar, Viet Nam) with the Ministry of Justice of Thailand.



Comparative Study on the Criminal Justice Systems of Japan and Nepal



Training Course on Legal Technical Assistance for Viet Nam



Training Seminar for Prison Officials in Myanmar

Country	Theme
Southeast Asian (ASEAN) countries	Strengthening the rule of law and good governance; Promoting Community-based Treatment
Nepal	Criminal Justice Systems
Viet Nam	Criminal Justice Systems
Myanmar	Improving Prison Management
CLMV	Promoting community-based treatment



Training Programme for Development of Effective Community-based Treatment of Offenders in CLMV Countries



## Regional Seminar on Good Governance for Southeast Asian Countries

UNAFEI holds an annual regional seminar known as the “Good Governance Seminar” to contribute to the promotion of good governance and rule of law in Southeast Asian countries. UNAFEI’s role is to co-organize the seminar with the designated criminal justice or international cooperation agency of the host country. The aim of the Seminar is to explore ways to strengthen anti-corruption measures and legal systems in the region.

The host country of the Seminar rotates every two years among Southeast Asian countries and Japan. Through 2018, the seminars were held in Thailand, the Philippines, Malaysia, Indonesia, Viet Nam and Japan, and in 2019, in Tokyo, Japan. Every year, criminal justice officials who are responsible for anti-corruption measures in Southeast Asian countries participate in the Seminar.



The 10th GG Seminar (Indonesia)



The 11th GG Seminar (Viet Nam)

### Seminar Topics

1	Thailand	2007	Corruption Control in the Judiciary and Prosecutorial Authorities
2	Thailand	2008	Corruption Control in Public Procurement
3	Philippines	2009	Measures to Freeze, Confiscate and Recover Proceeds of Corruption, including Prevention of Money-Laundering
4	Philippines	2010	Securing Protection and Co-operation of Witnesses and Whistle-blowers
5	Tokyo	2011	Preventing Corruption: Effective Administrative and Criminal Justice Measures
6	Tokyo	2012	International Cooperation: Mutual Legal Assistance and Extradition
7	Malaysia	2013	Enhancing Investigative Ability in Corruption Cases
8	Malaysia	2014	Current Issues in the Investigation, Prosecution and Adjudication of Corruption Cases
9	Indonesia	2015	Current Challenges and Best Practices in the Investigation, Prosecution and Prevention of Corruption Cases — Sharing Experiences and Learning from Actual Cases
10	Indonesia	2016	Contemporary Measures for Effective International Cooperation
11	Viet Nam	2017	Best Practices in Anti-Corruption: A Decade of Institutional and Practical Development in Southeast Asia
12	Viet Nam	2018	The Latest Regional Trends in Corruption and Effective Countermeasures by Criminal Justice Authorities
13	Tokyo	2019	Effective Financial Investigation and Anti Money Laundering Measures for Confiscation and Asset Recovery to Counter New and Emerging Corruption Threats

# UNAFEI supports UN activities

## Contribution to the UN Congress and the UN Commission

UNAFEI attends the United Nations Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (a functional commission of the UN Economic and Social Council, hereinafter called “the Commission”) held annually in Vienna, Austria. Each year, UNAFEI reports to the Commission on its activities. In addition, UNAFEI contributes to the creation of the UN’s crime prevention and criminal justice strategies and to the implementation of the UN Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Programme.

UNAFEI has also been proactively involved in the United Nations Congress on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice (held every five years, hereinafter called “the Congress”), taking a leading role in organizing its workshops. UNAFEI coordinated a workshop on the topic of “Measures to Combat Economic Crime, including Money Laundering” at the 11th Congress held in Thailand in 2005, and a workshop on “Strategies and Best Practices against Overcrowding in Correctional Facilities” at the 12th Congress, held in Brazil in 2010. At the 13th Congress held in Qatar in 2015, UNAFEI helped coordinate a workshop on the treatment of women offenders and children in conflict with the law.

UNAFEI will play an active role in organizing a workshop on reducing reoffending at the forthcoming 14th Congress in 2020, which will be held in Kyoto, Japan.



Then-Prosecutor-General Ohno announcing that Japan will host the 14th Congress in 2020



The 13th Congress Plenary Meeting



The UN Commission at Vienna, Austria



The PNI meeting (Korea)



# UNAFEI's involvement in various international activities

UNAFEI is actively involved in various activities for the betterment of criminal justice around the world. UNAFEI dispatches its faculty and staff members overseas to participate in international conferences, such as the Asia and Pacific Conference of Correctional Administrators, the ICPA Annual Conference, and the General Meeting of the International Association of Prosecutors, among many others.



The Asian and Pacific Conference of Correctional Administrators (APCCA) (Fiji)



International Forum of Contemporary Criminal Law (China)



Signing an MOU between UNAFEI and the TIJ



The Third World Congress on Probation (Japan)

## List of MOU/SOC between UNAFEI and other Institutes

Date	Institute	Country	Title of MOU/SOC
2014.9	COLLEGE FOR CRIMINAL LAW SCIENCE OF BEIJING NORMAL UNIVERSITY	China	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS ASIA AND FAR EAST INSTITUTE FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS AND THE COLLEGE FOR CRIMINAL LAW SCIENCE OF BEIJING NORMAL UNIVERSITY ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
2015.12	KOREAN INSTITUTE OF CRIMINOLOGY	Korea	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS ASIA AND FAR EAST INSTITUTE FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS AND THE KOREAN INSTITUTE OF CRIMINOLOGY ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
2016.12	THAILAND INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE	Thailand	MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS ASIA AND FAR EAST INSTITUTE FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS AND THE THAILAND INSTITUTE OF JUSTICE ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
2017.6	BRAZILIAN FEDERAL PROSECUTION SERVICE'S SUPERIOR SCHOOL (ESCOLA SUPERIOR DO MINISTERIO PUBLICO DA UNIAO)	Brazil	STATEMENT OF COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED NATIONS ASIA AND FAR EAST INSTITUTE FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRIME AND THE TREATMENT OF OFFENDERS AND THE HIGHER SCHOOL OF THE PUBLIC MINISTRY OF THE UNION (ESCOLA SUPERIOR DO MINISTERIO PUBLICO DA UNIAO) ON COOPERATION IN THE FIELD OF CRIME PREVENTION AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE

# Daily life at UNAFEI and an overview of the facilities

UNAFEI is located in the International Justice Center in Akishima, Tokyo. UNAFEI is fully equipped with facilities for effective training. The facilities include International Conference Hall A (four-language simultaneous interpretation is available); International Conference Hall B; a multi-purpose hall, a library, several seminar rooms and a cafeteria.

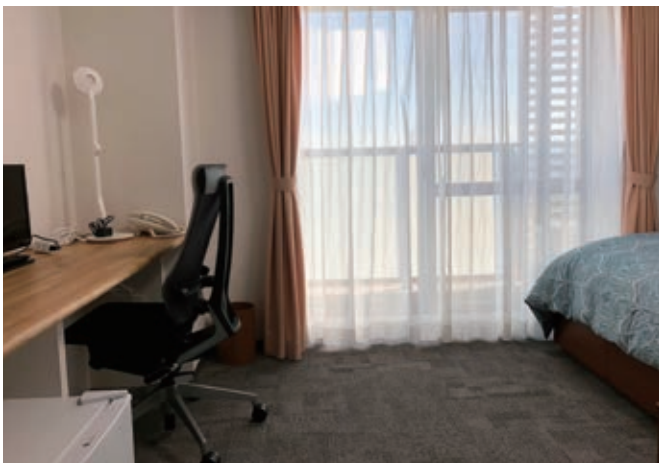
The participants and overseas visiting experts stay in the dormitory attached to UNAFEI's main building. The living environment and meals are designed to meet the individual needs of the participants, etc., so that their stay will be as comfortable as possible. In their free time, they can enjoy activities such as table tennis, working out in the training room, etc.



International Conference Hall A



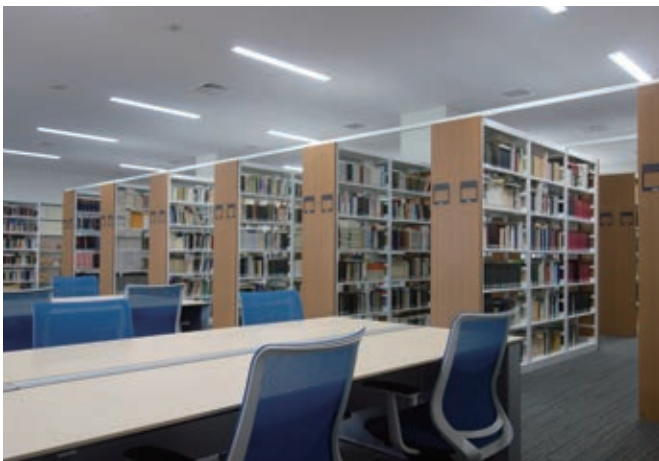
International Conference Hall B



Dormitory room



Japanese *tatami* room



Library



Dining room



## Public support

The Asia Crime Prevention Foundation (ACPF), established in 1992, greatly supports UNAFEI programmes by providing various activities for the participants, such as friendship parties, co-organization of a public lecture and study tour programmes. ACPF is a non-profit foundation and an international non-governmental organization, whose main purpose is to support UNAFEI activities.

ACPF has been granted General Consultative Status, the top category of UN NGOs (international nongovernmental organizations that are granted UN consultative status). ACPF has many branches overseas and in Japan.



International Friendship Party hosted by the ACPF Hiroshima Branch



Participants visit homes of Volunteer Probation Officers

**For over 50 years, UNAFEI's continuous efforts have developed a strong personal and inter-agency network among criminal justice practitioners around the world.**

Over the past 50 years, more than 6,000 criminal justice practitioners from 139 countries/regions have participated in UNAFEI's training courses/seminars. Many UNAFEI alumni members are playing leading roles in the area of criminal justice in their respective countries, thus strengthening the UNAFEI alumni network.

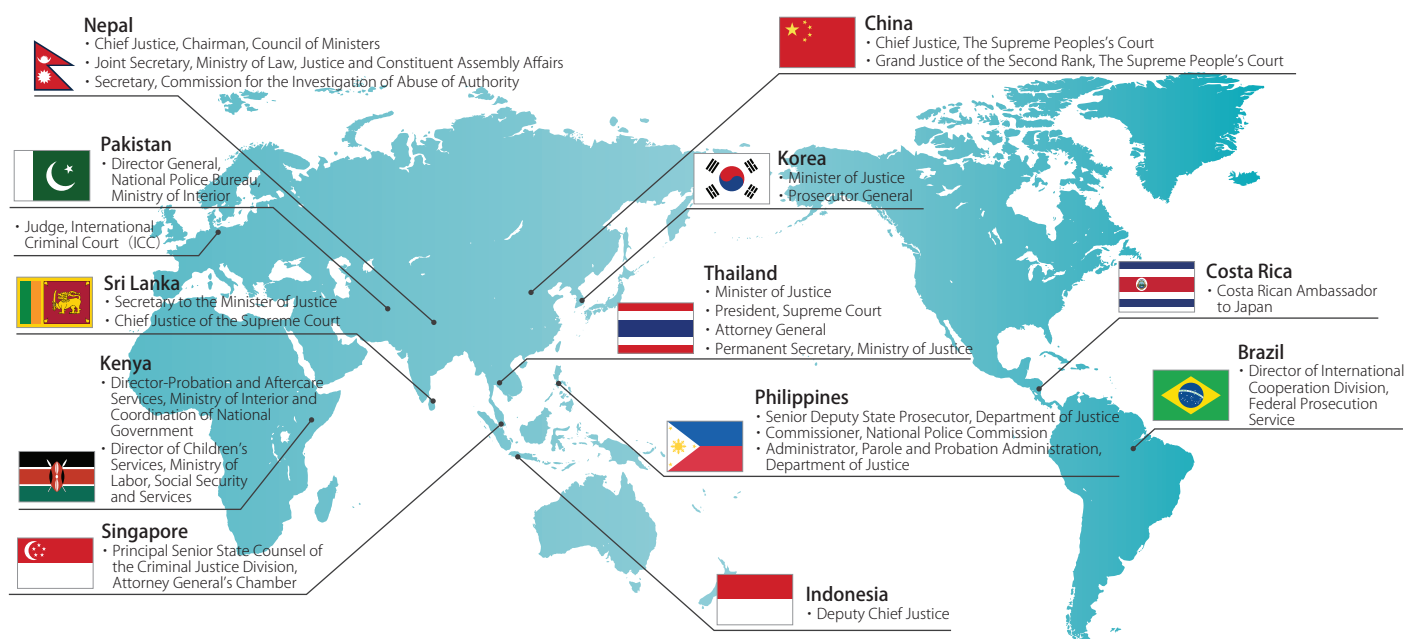
Given the globalization of crime, networking among criminal justice practitioners and agencies facilitates sharing of experiences, gathering of information and international cooperation.

In order to strengthen its alumni network, UNAFEI updates its contact list and sends an e-magazine periodically to ex-participants and ex-visiting experts to provide up-to-date information about UNAFEI's activities.

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ASIA	3,019	THE PACIFIC	218	AFRICA	687	NORTH & SOUTH AMERICA	301
Afghanistan	39	Australia	3	Algeria	8	Antigua and Barbuda	2
Bangladesh	94	Fiji	60	Botswana	13	Argentina	7
Bhutan	28	Kiribati	2	Burkina Faso	19	Barbados	3
Brunei	17	Marshall Islands	5	Burundi	1	Belize	4
Cambodia	58	Micronesia	2	Cameroon	6	Bolivia	2
China	270	Nauru	2	Chad	20	Brazil	76
Hong Kong	82	New Zealand	2	Cote d'Ivoire	42	Chile	9
India	103	Palau	3	D.R.Congo	34	Colombia	13
Indonesia	228	Papua New Guinea	82	Egypt	22	Costa Rica	19
Iran	42	Samoa	16	Eswatini	2	Cuba	1
Iraq	38	Solomon Islands	10	Ethiopia	5	Dominican Republic	2
Jordan	16	Tonga	19	Gambia	2	Ecuador	7
Korea	119	Vanuatu	8	Ghana	8	El Salvador	13
Laos	85	Cook Islands	4	Guinea	9	Grenada	1
Malaysia	181			Kenya	243	Guatemala	6
Maldives	37	<b>EUROPE</b>	<b>236</b>	Lesotho	3	Guyana	5
Mongolia	16	Albania	4	Liberia	1	Haiti	1
Myanmar	106	Armenia	3	Madagascar	5	Honduras	14
Nepal	186	Azerbaijan	2	Malawi	7	Jamaica	12
Oman	5	Bulgaria	2	Mali	24	Mexico	6
Pakistan	110	Estonia	1	Mauritania	16	Nicaragua	2
Palestine	11	Georgia	3	Mauritius	3	Panama	20
Philippines	318	Hungary	1	Morocco	10	Paraguay	15
Saudi Arabia	17	Kazakhstan	28	Mozambique	5	Peru	31
Singapore	86	Kyrgyz	37	Namibia	10	Saint Christopher and Nevis	2
Sri Lanka	142	Latvia	1	Niger	21	Saint Lucia	3
Taiwan	21	Lithuania	1	Nigeria	22	Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	2
Thailand	377	Moldova	5	Senegal	17	Trinidad and Tobago	2
Timor-Leste	10	Montenegro	1	Seychelles	5	U.S.A. (Hawaii)	1
Turkey	8	North Macedonia	2	Sierra Leone	2	Uruguay	4
United Arab Emirates	1	Poland	1	Somalia	1	Venezuela	16
Viet Nam	161	Romania	1	South Africa	10		
Yemen	7	Serbia	1	South Sudan	3		
		Tajikistan	74	Sudan	22	<b>JAPAN</b>	<b>1,612</b>
		Turkmenistan	8	Tanzania	27	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6,073</b>
		Ukraine	18	Tunisia	3	(As of 31 Mar. 2020)	
		Uzbekistan	42	Uganda	11		
				Zambia	9		
				Zimbabwe	16		

## UNAFEI alumni promoted to high-ranking positions in their respective criminal justice systems





## Other UNAFEI activities

### Public lecture on criminal policy

Annually, UNAFEI, the Japan Criminal Policy Society and the ACPF jointly hold a public lecture on criminal policy where eminent overseas experts in the field of criminal justice are invited to lecture on ground-breaking topics involving criminal policy, crime prevention and criminal justice.



Public lectures on criminal justice policy

### Volunteer Probation Officers (VPO) International Seminar

UNAFEI and the Rehabilitation Bureau of the Ministry of Justice co-organize a seminar for Japanese VPOs twice a year in connection with UNAFEI's international training courses and seminars.

The VPO seminar provides the VPOs with an opportunity to exchange their views with the participants of the international training programmes in order for the VPOs to learn about current international trends in criminal justice and the current situations in the countries participating in UNAFEI's courses and seminars.



VPO International Seminar

### Publication

UNAFEI publishes the outcomes of its training courses and seminars, as well as the results of its research, in its publications and on its website. In this way UNAFEI serves as an international information centre on the prevention of crime and the treatment of offenders. The publications are distributed overseas and in Japan.

- Website (<http://www.unafei.or.jp/english/>)
- Resource Material Series
- UNAFEI Newsletter
- Criminal Justice System in Japan



UNAFEI publications



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