

The 180th International Senior Seminar  
“Promoting Legal Aid for Offenders and Victims”

1. Duration and Participants

- From 13 January to 6 February 2023
- 22 overseas participants from 16 jurisdictions
- 3 participants from Japan

2. Seminar Overview

This seminar will mainly focus on promoting legal aid for offenders and victims. The participants will make presentations about legal aid for offenders and/or victims in their respective countries. Through presentations and lectures, the participants will learn from the participating countries' experiences, practices and strategies with respect to legal aid for offenders and victims, with reference to recent international trends. In addition, they will discuss effective measures to address issues concerning legal aid for offenders and victims. Also, this seminar will enhance the participants' knowledge of measures to promote legal aid for offenders and victims in their respective countries and establish a global network for the exchange of updated information on the practices of the participating countries.

3. Lecturers

The following visiting experts from overseas and Japanese experts, as well as UNAFEI faculty members, will give lectures:

- Visiting Experts
  - Mr. Vincent Cheng Yang (Online)  
Senior Associate  
International Centre for Criminal Law Reform and Criminal Justice Policy  
(ICCLR, Vancouver, Canada)
  - Ms. Anika Holterhof (Online)  
Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer & Focal Point for Legal Aid  
Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Section, Division for Treaty Affairs  
United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC, Vienna, Austria)

- Japanese Experts
  - Ms. KAMITANI Sakura  
Lawyer  
Sakura-Mirai Law Firm
  
  - Ms. TOMITA Satoko  
Head, International Affairs Office (Lawyer)  
Japan Legal Support Center
  
  - Mr. MUTOU Issei  
Deputy Director, Crime Victim Support Office  
National Police Agency
  
  - Mr. HASEGAWA Kaoru  
Head of the Crime Victim Support Office (Public Prosecutor)  
Tokyo District Public Prosecutors Office