#### The 21st UNAFEI UNCAC Training Programme

# "Combating Corruption through Effective Criminal Justice Practices, International Cooperation and Engagement of Civil Society"

## 1. Duration and Participants

- From 11 October to 16 November 2018
- 28 overseas participants from 26 countries
- 7 domestic participants

### 2. Programme Overview

Corruption poses a serious threat to the stability and security of societies and undermines the rule of law. It erodes the quality of public service, impedes investment and support from overseas, thus preventing sustainable development and economic growth. In our globalized society, corruption is no longer a domestic problem. Corruption with transnational aspects is not uncommon, such as where corruption or the proceeds thereof involve international transactions. Corruption is also a major obstacle to the international community's fight against transnational organized crime and terrorism, since organized criminal and terrorist groups frequently use corruption and violence to operate and protect their interests. The enormous negative impact of corruption and its increasing transnational aspects led to universal recognition that this phenomenon had to be addressed collectively at the international level.

Several multilateral instruments against corruption have been adopted since the mid-1990s. The most important of these instruments, the United Nations Convention against Corruption (hereinafter referred to as "UNCAC"), was adopted by the UN General Assembly on 31 October 2003. Moreover, in 2015, the United Nations General Assembly adopted the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. One of the targets is to substantially reduce corruption and bribery in all their forms. Accordingly, fighting against corruption is attracting attention as an important issue all over the world.

Within the scope of UNCAC, and in view of the high interest expressed by the Member States of the United Nations, this programme focused on: (1) effective anti-corruption investigation, prosecution and adjudication; (2) cooperation among relevant agencies to investigate and prosecute corruption; (3) freezing, seizing and confiscating the proceeds of corruption; (4) international cooperation to fight against corruption; and (5) preventive measures against corruption in cooperation with civil society and the private sector.

#### 3. Lectures

The following visiting experts from overseas and ad hoc lecturers from Japan, as well as professors of UNAFEI, gave lectures:

#### Visiting Experts

Mr. Ahmad Khusairi Bin Yahaya

Director, Intelligence Division, Malaysian Anti-Corruption Commission

• Mr. Boštjan Lamešič

Assistant to the National Member of Slovenia, Vice Chair of the Economic Crime Team, Eurojust

Ms. Corinna Wong

Assistant Director, Community Relations Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption, Hong Kong

Ms. Brenda So

Regional Officer, Community Relations Department, Independent Commission Against Corruption, Hong Kong

#### Lecturers

Mr. Hiroshi Morimoto

Director, Special Investigation Division, Tokyo District Public Prosecutors Office

Mr. Kensuke Kawate

Assistant Director of Japan's Financial Intelligence Centre

• Mr. Arata Matsui

Special Investigation Coordinator, Investigation Bureau,

Japan Fair Trade Commission

Mr. Tsuneo Oba

Executive Director, Global Compact Network Japan

Ms. Ayumi Wada

General Manager, Legal Affairs Division, Toshiba Corporation

Ms. Yuka Isshiki

Manager, Legal Department, Legal Division, Ryohin Keikaku Co., Ltd.