MOCK TRIAL TRAINING

PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

GPML’s Mock Trials create a rich training environment in which judiciary and law enforcement officials have the opportunity to experience in real-time the issues that would arise during the prosecution of a money-laundering offence. GPML mock trials establish a court scenario in which pre-determined evidence, including statements of witnesses and other documentation, is produced and reviewed against the background of local laws, protocols, judicial procedures and overall admissibility. Participants benefit by enhancing their awareness of legal processes, improving their technical skills and learning from facilitated professional discussions with colleagues and international experts.

The Mock Trial training provides participants with:

- New knowledge and skills relating to anti-money-laundering, money trail investigations, and prosecution techniques;
- Hands-on experience with the myriad of complex legal issues and evidential arguments that often arise in genuine cases;
- Insight into the challenges faced by investigators, judges and prosecutors when dealing with genuine money-laundering cases;
- Up-to-date information on how to deal with intelligence and information collected by law enforcement agencies and FIUs; and
- Heightened awareness of the necessity for effective inter-agency coordination and national, regional and international cooperation.

The Mock Trial training is designed to support a country’s capacity-building for the rule of law. Selected candidates are then trained by international experts on a case file which is specifically tailored to reflect the country’s legislative framework, training needs and money-laundering risks, threats and vulnerabilities.

PROGRAMME OUTCOMES

- Sustainable capacity-building resulting in a pool of law enforcement and judicial officers trained to conduct efficient and effective AML/CFT cases.

- Increased collaboration between existing experts to prepare and build the mock case file. Presentations developed by participants for use in-country to raise awareness of AML/CFT issues, demonstrate new skills, and onward train colleagues.
- Increased national-level coordination and cooperation via a professional network of experts working in the field of AML/CFT.

Programme content

- Money laundering case investigation
  - Theory and practice
- Case development
  - Collecting evidence and intelligence
  - Analysing evidence
- Management of the Trial Process
  - Evidence and admissibility
  - Evidence gathering abroad
  - Evidential and procedural issues

- Challenges and lessons learned
- Team presentations

Target audience

GPML Mock Trial training is aimed at prosecutors and judiciary experts dealing with financial and economic criminal matters, as well as law enforcement officers involved in anti-money laundering, criminal financial investigations and the investigation of organized crime, drug trafficking and corruption.

The Mock Trial training is designed for a maximum of 30 direct participants.

Duration

Five days
ABOUT GPML

The Global Programme against Money Laundering, Proceeds of Crime and the Financing of Terrorism (GPML) assists Member States in implementing the various anti-money laundering and counter-finance of terrorism (AML/CFT) provisions contained in the 1988 United Nations Drug Convention, the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime, the United Nations Convention against Corruption and relevant United Nations resolutions, such as Security Council Resolution 1373 (2001), as well as other international AML/CFT requirements.

GPML’s primary goal is to assist Member States via their legal, financial, law enforcement and judicial authorities in developing effective and comprehensive domestic AML/CFT legal and regulatory frameworks, as well as the institutional infrastructures and practitioner skills needed to implement them. GPML is further committed to promoting national coordination and regional and international cooperation on issues concerning money-laundering and terrorism financing.

GPML fulfills its mandate principally through technical cooperation and capacity-building for requesting Member States, the provision of in-depth training to national administrations and private sector actors dealing with AML/CFT issues, and the development and sharing of AML/CFT information resources, good practices and databases.

GPML has initiated specific products to assist Member States. These deliverables aim to raise awareness of the risks of money-laundering and terrorism financing, build institutional capacities and provide key technical assistance and training—based on current good practice and operational expertise—at the national and regional level. A series of GPML Facts Sheets provide information on the key products offered by GPML.