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Conference Theme:

ACCOUNTABILITY AND ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PROSECUTION

Workshop 2: "Role of Prosecutors Association in capacity building and training management"

Activities of the Hungarian Association of Prosecutors in Capacity Building and Training Management

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General information about HAP: - Hungarian answers for the IAP Survey.

HAP is **a professional, non-governmental association**, established in 1990. It's Predecessor was the association of Judges and Prosecutors established in 1907 jointly with judges which was eliminated after the 2nd WWar. Today judges and prosecutors belong to different organizational structure: Judges exercise jurisdiction and prosecutors are contributing parties of jurisdiction. Both The court system and The Prosecution Service are independent institution.

<u>The membership</u> of HAP is open to all prosecutors, academics, researchers (working in the Institute of Criminology) and for all employees with law degree (assistant prosecutors, law-clerks).

- HAP is an organization member – a founding member – of the IAP.

Organizational features of our association: the managing board is **Presidency** which consist of 10 prosecutors the **President**, 3 **Vice Presidents** and the **Financial Secretary**.

Other members are in charge of different activities: education, cultural- sports, social etc. tasks plus organizational and administrative functions.

The advisory board is called **Caucus** of HAP where the chiefs of 23 **local units** (from 19 counties of Hungary + Budapest) sit and meet. **The 3 committees are**: Ethics, Supervisory Board and International Affairs Committee.

The officers are elected by the **Assembly for** 3 years term with no limitation for re-election.



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Aims and activities of HAP in the constitution of the Association:

Representation of Interests

- The main objects of HAP is to represent Prosecutors' vocational interest as a community' and to represent the in it's members in disciplinary proceedings or in front of the court too.
- -to **protects and strengthens** the constitutional guarantees of the **autonomy of the prosecution**.
- to safeguard the ethical integrity of prosecutors. HAP's Code of Conduct most recently adopted on 24 of April 2
- -- has served as a model for establishment of ethical rules by partner professions as well.
- HAP takes part in disciplinary proceedings at the request for representation of the prosecutor concerned.

As part of its mission, HAP <u>cooperates</u> with other interest- and advocacy groups within the prosecution service as with other non-governmental organizations.



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II. Activities of HAP members supported by the association

A./ Training and Education

- 1. Essay writing Scientific competition dedicated to Sándor Kozma
- 2. Legal cases management competition,
- 3. Court pleading competition , "Test Trial" "Trial Rehersal"
- Prosecutors' Journal
- 5. Conferences during KRIMINALEXPO
- 6. International Seminars for Presidents of Fellow Associations





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The topics of the last Kriminalexpo - organized in 2016 - were the followings:



- Risk analysis- and management in the present and future in the field of the execution of punishments.
- The *role of the expert* in the criminal forensic approach.
- False Products, false information.
- Crimes committed via IT devices.
- Using *future-oriented Technology* for the search on the crime scene and against terrorism.







- Conference and round table discussion about legal- and illegal migration.
- Preventive Protection of Property.
- Supportive and intervening methods from the point of view of the victim and from the view of the perpetrator of the crime.
- The directions of awareness raising in the filed of Internet-usage.





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The topics of International Seminars were:

2003 "Mutual *legal assistance* with prosecution offices of EU member states and with non EU member states."

2005 " *Remuneration of Judiciary* in 17 different countries of the World."

2008 "Liability for damages – by Prosecution and by The Prosecutor".

2010 "Security and Safety of Prosecutors and their Family members"

2012"Prosecutor and The Medias – Friend or Foe?"
2014 "Training of Prosecutors and Judges with special regard to the Preparation for the Ethical Challenges of the Professions".



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3rd IAP GLOBAL FORUM FOR ASSOCIATIONS OF PROSECUTORS

- 7. Scientific conference where **Hungarian linguist experts** *analysed prosecutors' pleading papers* some time full of professional expressions from their professional point of view.
- 8. **1**st **Global Forum for IAP Associations of Prosecutors** in Budapest 9-10 September 2015.
- 9. *Participation on different IAP Conferences*: Anual World Conference, European Regional conference and Central European and middle Asia conferences.
- 10. Participation on IAP GPEN webinars.





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B./ Cultural activities

The Hungarian Association of Prosecutors (HAP) supports initiatives which enable its members to use their free time for cultural pursuits and **organizes**, **arranges and supports cultural events** both at a *local unit level* and *on national level*.

1. On local units' level:

- Every year the elected heads of division regularly arrange excursions,
- celebrations for Prosecutor's Day (10th June),
- Commemorations for Women's Day,
- meetings for retired colleagues,
- May- and June Festival for families, programs for the children of members etc.
- Discounted theatre tickets, fleet discount for prosecutors

Besides *visits to theatres- and concerts* which are organized at a divisional level, HAP's cooperation arrangements with a number of theatres enable members to apply directly for programme benefits

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2./ On National level:

- We *explore* and introduce **recreation opportunities**, such as the availability of guest accommodation and special offers to members and their families.
- Owing to HAP's **cooperation arrangements with book publishers**, members may periodically *obtain trade publications on a preferential basis*.





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HAP encourages members to engage in literature, artistic and other fine art activities and give presentations of their artistic works.

- To realise this further, first in 2005 we organized an exhibition for "Creative prosecutors and their Creations'.
- Invitations from our association for *short* story writing and drawing on both a national and divisional level are very popular and have acquired a good reputation.





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Sports activity

- HAP is the *key sponsor of two regional cross sport meetings* of prosecutors <u>organized twice a year</u> the country wide Prosecutors Sports Meeting takes place in every five year.
- •HAP considers important to *support sports events organized by the 23 local branches* and divisions (e.g. football tournament, bowling, biking, fishing competitions, water excursions,)
- With *discounted multi-sport season tickets* offered by HAP, members have the opportunity to visit hundreds of different sport facilities over the country.





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- We also have bilateral international sport relationships.

Since 1993 our association, as the only foreign team, has been invited by the German Federal Prosecution Office to participate in an indoor soccer tournament organized by the **Federal German Prosecution in Karlsruhe.** This German-Hungarian sport relationship is a fine example in Europe.

Furthermore we are permanent participants of the **Slovak indoor soccer tournament of the Judiciary** and have also had meetings with Romanian, Italian, Ukranian and other colleagues.

- "The Prosecutors' Football Tournament of 4 Nations" was organized for the first time in 2012 by our association with the participation of German, Austrian Romanian and Slovak football groups.



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• During the **Prosecutors' National** *Open Air Cooking Competition,* every year colleagues get together over 20-25

cooking cauldrons.

The prepared delicacies are judged by a jury including a renowned Master Chef.



Beef in wild sauce, porcini's bread dumplings in Zala's style













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HAP has its own websitewww.ugyeszek.hu

(partly in English and German too)

•Issues HAP's electronic Newsletter 3- 4 times a year









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Commercial offers our association provide for its members:

- •web based *complex collection and existing law* for discount price (for home usage)
- •EDC card: discounts at designated places. This card is the member card of HAP too.
- Discount in some department stores
- Hired tickets for Sport and Fitness Centres;
- Theatre tickets offered by buyer seller (for discounted price)
- •Telecommunication network for members plus for persons with discount and special options etc.





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III. The merits of capacity building and training management activities.

They are very important in community building of prosecutors. If we know each other's thinking it is easier to build up a common protection of prosecutors interest.





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Thank you for your attention!

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