



# 32nd session of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice



Monday 22 May 2023 from 13.00 to 13.50 (hybrid)  
**I-CAN: COMBATING THE GLOBAL 'NDRANGHETA THREAT**

The 'Ndrangheta is a mafia-type organization originating in Calabria, Italy. Although Calabria remains 'Ndrangheta's center of power, they have expanded their criminal enterprise internationally and are believed to have a presence in at least 30 countries worldwide, as well as maintaining mutually beneficial criminal relationships with other organized crime groups (OCGs).

'Ndrangheta's involvement in criminal activities includes illicit drug trafficking and distribution, weapons trafficking and money laundering. While this criminality is not atypical of other transnational OCGs, 'Ndrangheta's intentionally cultivates of a sphere of influence to safeguard their criminal operations and compound their wealth and power. 'Ndrangheta's enmeshment with legitimate enterprises and corruptive influences help obfuscate the identification of illicit activity.

'Ndrangheta membership can be inherited along familial lines, enabling the intergenerational transfer of criminal expertise and traditions that characterize 'Ndrangheta. The strength of familial bonds spanning across borders and continents further complicate national and global law enforcement efforts to effectively fight against and dismantle their criminal networks.

In recognition of the transnational 'Ndrangheta threat, the INTERPOL Cooperation Against 'Ndrangheta (I-CAN) Project, funded by the Italian Department of Public Security, commenced in 2020 as a means of enhancing cooperation, coordination and targeting of 'Ndrangheta at the international level. In doing so, I-CAN provides subject matter expertise and a centralized project for the analysis of Member Countries holdings for the purposes of identifying operational opportunities and building an increasingly comprehensive understanding of 'Ndrangheta's criminal network and activity.

During this side event, speakers from INTERPOL, Italy, Argentina & Australia will share their unique expertise in fighting against this elusive threat and share their experience in facilitating international cooperation to combat the 'Ndrangheta threat through I-CAN.

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