

## **ECOSOC Management Segment 2024**

### **SPEAKING NOTES**

**H.E. Mr. Ivo Sramek, Chair of the  
Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice  
at its thirty-third session  
23 July 2024**

#### **SLIDE 1 – *Introduction***

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Distinguished Representatives, Ladies and Gentlemen,

Good afternoon from Vienna. It is my great pleasure to update you on the work of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice.

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#### **SLIDE 3 – CCPCJ 33<sup>rd</sup> Regular Session**

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The Commission held its 33<sup>rd</sup> Regular Session from 13 to 17 May 2024, with a record participation that you see in detail on the screen.

#### **SLIDE 4 – Resolutions adopted at the 33<sup>rd</sup> Session**

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The Commission adopted three draft resolutions related to (1) the preparations for the 15<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress, (2) reducing reoffending, (3) preventing and countering violence against children by organized criminal groups and terrorist groups, all to be recommended by the Economic and Social Council for adoption by the General Assembly. A draft resolution on the treatment of children associated with terrorist

groups is submitted to the Council for adoption, and a resolution countering trafficking in persons in the context of rapid technological change, is brought to the attention of the Council.

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## **SLIDE 5 – 2024 Thematic Discussions**

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The next event will be, in December 2024, **the fourth intersessional Thematic Discussion on the Implementation of the Kyoto Declaration adopted at the 14<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress**. This year, the Commission will focus on **international cooperation to prevent and address all forms of crime, including new, emerging and evolving crimes**.

These thematic discussions bring together Member States and other stakeholders to **share lessons learned, experiences gained and good practices**. You are kindly invited to visit our portal listing the contributions made during previous thematic discussions on the Commission’s website.

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## **SLIDE 6 – Fifteenth Crime Congress**

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I also would like to highlight the preparatory work for the **Fifteenth United Nations Crime Congress**, to be held from 25<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> April 2025 in Abu Dhabi, United Arab Emirates, under the theme: **“Accelerating crime prevention, criminal justice and the rule of law: Protecting people and planet and achieving the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development in the digital age”**.

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## SLIDE 8 – Contributions to Agenda 2030

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The Commission has made it a priority to strengthen the impact of the work of the Council.

- Throughout the 33<sup>rd</sup> session, the Commission worked tirelessly to implement **GA Resolution 78/225**, entitled *Enhancing the contributions of the Commission to the accelerated implementation of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development* – through, inter alia, **awareness-raising initiatives** and efforts to strengthen **reference to the VNRs in the work of the Commission**.
- 21 Member States, 14 intergovernmental organizations, United Nations agencies, and Programme Network Institutes and 15 non-governmental organizations made **proposals on how the Commission could further contribute to the 2030 Agenda, especially SDG16**. These proposals have been submitted as a second written contribution to the HLPF.
- In June, I had the pleasure to participate in the **High-Level Debate of the General Assembly on “Crime Prevention and Sustainable Development through sports”**.

## SLIDE 9 – Special events

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During the regular 33<sup>rd</sup> CCPCJ in May, I held **two special events**:

- One on **protecting people and the planet and achieving Agenda 2030 in the digital age, and the preparations for the 15<sup>th</sup> Crime Congress**; and

- another one on the launch of the **Generation Justice Initiative**, which aims to make the fifteenth Crime Congress the most youth-inclusive one ever.

## **SLIDE 10 – Contributions to the Summit of the Future**

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Earlier this year, I have also called for a reference in the text of the **Pact for the Future** to measures to prevent and counter crime and make criminal justice systems more effective, humane, transparent and accountable.

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## **SLIDE 12 – Follow-up to the 2022 review**

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To conclude, I am pleased to remind the Council, as already mentioned during my intervention in June, that many of the recommendations resulting from the **Summary of Recommendations formulated by ECOSOC in 2022** are already being implemented by the Commission.

## **SLIDE 13 – Conclusion**

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I thank you.