In translating the Kyoto Declaration on “advancing crime prevention, criminal justice and the rule of law: towards the achievement of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development” into action, the Commission holds annual thematic discussions to facilitate exchange of good practices, challenges and lessons learned in advancing crime prevention, criminal justice and the rule of law. The second round of thematic discussions, focusing on Pillar II of the Kyoto Declaration - Avancing the criminal justice system, was held from 5-7 December 2022.

Joint responses to “leave no one behind”

At its 31st session, the Commission committed, inter alia, to:

- Strengthening national and international efforts, including with the private sector, to protect children from sexual exploitation and abuse
- Reducing reoffending through rehabilitation and reintegration
- Strengthening the international legal framework for international cooperation to prevent and combat illicit trafficking in wildlife

Addressing the impact of crime on the environment

From 14 to 16 February 2022, the CCPCJ held expert discussions on crimes that affect the environment, pursuant to General Assembly resolution 76/185, entitled “Preventing and combating crimes that affect the environment”, thereby contributing to the implementation of the commitments made by Member States in the Kyoto Declaration and the achievement of SDGs 14, 15 and 16.

Youth engagement and empowerment

Youth are active agents of positive change in their communities to support crime prevention efforts. The Commission makes considerable efforts in working with youth and on youth, including by increasing youth participation in intergovernmental processes and promoting substantive discussions and initiatives on youth-related topics.

Enhancing multi-stakeholder partnerships

In implementing the 2030 Agenda, the Commission actively cooperates with other functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council and works closely with the relevant UN entities.

Enhanced inclusiveness through digital transformation

With the increased use of digital tools, the Commission has further expanded the possibilities for inclusive and meaningful participation of civil society in its deliberations.