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IOI Workshop for NPMs “Strengthening the follow-up on NPM recommendations”

7 – 9 November 2018 | Copenhagen, Denmark

INVITATION LETTER

Over the past years the IOI has offered several training workshops that cater to the specific needs of member institutions which also hold a preventive human rights mandate according to OPCAT and act as National Preventive Mechanism (NPM) in their respective countries.

It is our great pleasure to invite you to join the **4th IOI NPM workshop**, which will be generously hosted by the Office of the Danish Parliamentary Ombudsman in Copenhagen from **7 – 9 November 2018** and delivered together with our longstanding partners from the Association for the Prevention of Torture (APT).

NPMs need to develop strategies in order to achieve maximum impact. However, NPMs also operate under different conditions and contexts and therefore face a variety of challenges that call for a diverse set of solutions.

Taking this reality into account, our next workshop will put a focus on the topic of NPM recommendations and aims at offering a platform for mutual exchange among practitioners to discuss activities such as:

- How to draft effective recommendations;
- How to follow-up and assess the implementation of recommendations;
- How to track progress (i.e. systematization of recommendations and responses).

The training will be conducted in **English**; a high level of English proficiency is therefore requested from participants. To ensure the highest possible outcome, participation is limited to a maximum of 30 people and to a maximum of two representatives per member institution.

Registration is now open and participants will be accepted on a “first come, first served” basis. Please note that registrations need to be made using the attached registration form. Those of you, who register for this workshop, are also kindly asked to fill in a short questionnaire, using the following [link](#) at the same time as you submit your registration form. This will help us in our preparation of the training content and ensure the smooth and efficient planning of the event. Please return the completed registration form to the IOI General Secretariat by Email (ioi@volksanw.gv.at) or fax (+43 1 512 93 88 200) as soon as possible but no later than **30 September 2018**.

The IOI offers this training free of charge to member institutions in good standing (i.e. with paid up fees for the membership year 2017/2018). Travel and accommodation costs must be covered by the participants themselves.

A small number of **scholarships** will be available for institutions with limited resources. Scholarships will be awarded by the IOI Executive Committee and include refund for economy airfares and/or accommodation costs. In case your institution would like to apply for a scholarship, please contact the IOI General Secretariat (ioi@volksanw.gv.at) as soon as possible, but also no later than **30 September 2018**.

We are looking forward to an active participation and to welcoming you in Copenhagen. If you have any further questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate and contact the IOI General Secretariat (ioi@volksanw.gv.at).

Yours sincerely,



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