We are delighted to announce that our name has changed from Conference of Western Attorneys General | Africa Alliance Partnership (CWAG|AAP) to Attorney General Alliance | Africa Alliance Partnership (AGA|AAP). This came about as a result of the formation of the Attorney General Alliance (AGA) from our parent organization the Conference of Western Attorneys General (CWAG), a testament to their expanded reach across the United States and internationally. The name Attorney General Alliance (AGA) represents an association of Attorneys General, federal, state and foreign officials, and public and private sector partners throughout the United States. As CWAG continues to focus predominantly on core western issues, AGA will take on emerging issues in the West and beyond.

Subsequently, the Africa Alliance Partnership takes on the new prefix, ‘Attorney General Alliance’.

Since our Inception in 2016, the Africa Alliance Partnership has trained African legal officers and prosecutors in the investigation and prosecution of transnational crimes including Human Trafficking, Money Laundering, Counterfeit Drugs, Cyber Crime, and Wildlife Trafficking. We have also collaborated with African Ministries of Justice, Attorneys General, Solicitors General, and Public Prosecution agencies to share knowledge and experiences in fighting transnational crimes.

We are currently working with government partners in Ghana, Kenya, Malawi, Nigeria, Rwanda, South Africa, Uganda and Zambia, and are set to establish more partnerships throughout Africa.

As the CWAG|AAP programme transitions to AGA|AAP, our focus on combating transnational crimes on the continent remains unwavering.

The Africa Alliance Partnership (AAP) programme will be adapting its branding and online presence to align with the new name: Attorney General Alliance | Africa Alliance Partnership – AGA| AAP.

WEBSITE CHANGES
cwagaap.org to aga-aap.org

SOCIAL MEDIA
@cwagaap to @agaaap
ATTORNEY GENERAL ALLIANCE (AGA)

Based in the United States, the Attorney General Alliance (AGA) began as a bipartisan group comprising of chief legal officers of 15 western states and three Pacific territories.

The Attorney General Alliance has expanded beyond its original regional designation to count 36 US states as participants, with the ability to draw on the expertise and involvement of over 2000 legal professionals consisting of attorneys general, prosecutors, law enforcement officers and subject matter experts. Improving the Quality of Legal Services.

AGA’s primary function is to provide a forum for legal officers to cultivate knowledge, co-operate on issues of legal concerns and coordinate actions which improve the quality of legal services available to different institutions.

Promoting the rule of Law & International Cooperation.

The Attorney General Alliance works ceaselessly to promote the rule of law and foster international cooperation in transnational criminal matters.
Transnational crime will continue to grow until the paradigm of high profits and low risks is challenged. These crimes undermine local and national economies, destroy the environment, and jeopardize the health and wellbeing of the public – Global Integrity - 2017

CHALLENGING CROSS BORDER CRIME

Transnational crimes, such as human trafficking, trafficking in firearms, drug trafficking, money laundering, child pornography, internet crimes, and corruption do not respect borders, laws, or people. Addressing these crimes comprehensively, swiftly, and effectively is required to give meaning to justice, the rule of law and respect for human rights.

AGA AFRICA ALLIANCE PARTNERSHIP | AGA AAP

WHY WE EXIST

Joint responses to transnational crime by and with African nations requires establishing and building cooperative relationships with key players throughout the African continent as well as sharing information, experience, skills, technology, and strategies.

Given the cross-border nature of these crimes, no single country can address the challenge of global crime alone. Rather, it is essential that law enforcement institutions and stakeholders in the public and private sector cooperate internationally.

It is in this context that the AGA-African Alliance Partnership seeks to contribute to the reduction, prevention and elimination of transnational crime.

The Africa Alliance Partnership is the means by which these relationships can be developed (outreach), capacity can be built (training) and significant and impactful exchanges can take place (Seminars).
WHAT WE DO

AGA - AAP | WHERE WE ARE

The AGA Africa Alliance Partnership is currently working with justice departments, and law enforcement bodies such as the Office of the Attorney General, Departments of Public Prosecution, the Police, academic bodies and other organisations in several African Countries including, Ghana, Kenya, Nigeria, Rwanda, Uganda, Senegal, South Africa, and Zambia.

- Training of Prosecutors in investigation and prosecution of transnational crimes and essential trial techniques.
- Training programmes and workshops for stakeholders on transnational crime.
- Awareness seminars & other events to draw attention to the dangers of transnational crime.
- Oral advocacy & Advanced trial advocacy.
- Legislative drafting.
- Capacity building to strengthen forensic evidence gathering & preservation.
- Law enforcement & prosecution best practice.

LINKING INTERGENERATIONAL KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

AGA-AAP believes strongly in incorporating youth engagement as part of its programmes. The AAP involves, works and partners with academic bodies such as Law Schools and Universities to provide fundamental advocacy skills required to prepare students effectively for a range of hands-on experiences. AGA-AAP Youth Engagement programmes give students various opportunities to improve their legal practice, issue identification, case analysis, written and oral argument skills through participation in:

- Focus group discussions
- Internships
- Scholarship & grant opportunities
- Trial advocacy competitions
- Seminars
- Trial advocacy training
- AAP online forums
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The exploitation of human beings is a highly lucrative business for organised criminal groups. It is an illicit market which affects millions of victims worldwide every year. With traffickers making an estimated $32 billion annually, human trafficking is one of the world’s most shameful crimes and one which robs people of their dignity and basic rights. UNODC, 2012

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In collaboration with our partners, AGA AAP organises workshops, seminars and conferences, aimed at sharing knowledge, experiences, and training to develop and strengthen both the human and institutional capacity required to combat transnational crimes.

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HOW WE WORK WITH YOU?

REducing & Preventing CybercrIme

- Support for cybercrime awareness seminars & forums.
- Broadly Share anti-cybercrime best practices & tools.
- Promote International Collaboration.

AntI-Money Laundering & Terrorism Financing

- Combating the financing of terrorism.
- Legal capacity development & training for entities engaged in anti-money laundering.
- Supporting anti-money laundering legislation.

CombAting human trafFicking

- Provide support to forums that raise awareness of & promote collaboration and the exchanging views.
- Provide training on the investigation & prosecution of human trafficking.
- Teach Techniques for the identification & protection of victims of human trafficking.
- Training on the prosecution and investigation of Human Trafficking cases.

Preventing DomestIc VIOlence

- Support workshops that lead to public awareness of the interconnected nature of Domestic Violence and human trafficking.
- Foster worldwide alliance in to tackle this crime.
- Organise seminars and forums for law enforcement agencies to capacity build on the prevention of this menace.
- Provide training on the Detection, Investigation and Prosecution of Domestic Violence perpetrators.

Couterning Corruption

- Promote universal rule of law against corruption.
- Organise workshops and seminars on the legal prosecution and international co-operation against corruption.
- Provide and supports trainings to strengthen and build capacity on countering corruption.
- Participate in forums for the exchange of ideas & knowledge on countering corruption.

AntI WIldeLife TrafFicking

- Facilitate public & private sector partnerships.
- Train customs officers, police, and lawyers in wildlife forensics and border inspections.
- Support seminars & workshops for the Exchange ideas, knowledge & best practice on tactics for the arrest and prosecution of wildlife traffickers.

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AGA-AAP TRAINING

The Africa Alliance Partnership collaborates with Government, Non-Governmental, Private sector and Civil Society against the pitfalls of transnational crimes by providing legal training to prosecutors, lawyers and other stakeholders in the areas of human trafficking, wildlife trafficking, money laundering, cyber-crime, corruption and other transnational crimes.

AGA focuses on transferable skills, working together as a team is a fundamental requirement for success. From the first response to the crime scene and throughout the investigation, prosecutors, police investigators, and forensics experts must coordinate the preservation and processing of evidence, the development of the theory of the case, and the preparation of witnesses and exhibits for trial.

Kenya’s Former Attorney General Githu Muigai hailed the AGA-AAP Oral Advocacy training saying it, “provides for lawyers in terms of building oral advocacy skills. Useful not only for those already in the legal profession, but also to the lawyers in the making, preparing for a career practicing at the bar.”

THE AGA AAP, DELIVERS VARIOUS TRANSFERABLE SKILLS WORKSHOPS

- Trans-national Crime Investigation & Prosecution.
- Essential Trial Techniques.
- Forensic Evidence Gathering.
- Legislative Drafting.
- Sharing Law Enforcement Best Practice.
- Advanced trial advocacy.
- Oral Advocacy.

- Preventing Domestic Violence
- Anti Wildlife Trafficking
- Preventing Counterfeit Drugs
- Dealing with Corruption
- Reducing & Preventing Cybercrime
- Anti-Money Laundering & Terrorism Financing
AGA | PARTNERING

BENEFITS FOR OUR PARTNERS

- The diversity of the AGA-AAP country level & strategic partnerships represents a wide array of expertise, contextual knowledge & access to resources. Our Partners leverage on resources available through the AAP programme for solution execution capacity & institution building.


- Partners can draw on a body of knowledge, best practice & the breadth of expertise on the prosecution & investigation of transnational crimes, from a potential pool of over 2000 experienced US legal professionals participating in the AGA-AAP programme.

- The AGA-AAP provides a recognised platform for exchanging ideas & raising awareness of global concerns relating to transnational crimes. These platforms also assist in the joint-creation of new solutions.

- AGA-AAP members have access to legal experts who can fill, gaps in knowledge, capacity, or resources for training and institutional capacity building.

- The AAP network provides additional pathways to sourcing future funding for developing institutional capacity in the fight against transnational crime & / or other additional programmes.

- AGA-AAP creates lasting relationships & fosters collaboration on multiple levels.

BENEFITS TO AGA

- AGA builds on the Africa Alliance & other partnerships to understand global concerns in a local context, provide sustainable solutions, learn & promote best practice.

- The AGA Africa Alliance Partnership represents a growing network of diverse actors. Each African country & organisation partnering with us, contributes to strengthening the international rule of law in a unique way.

- Cross border collaboration helps AGA-AAP in its fight against transnational crimes, with greater influence, wider reaching impact & a broader exchange of ideas.

- Through the AGA-AAP we develop a more informed view, of the impact of transnational crimes in African countries, common problems, needs, & opportunities for capacity and institution development.

- AGA-AAP draws attention to the dangers to the US of transnational crimes beyond the US borders, creating a path to funding for the fight against Transnational Crime.
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