

Conclusions of the Expert meeting to develop Asset Recovery Inter-Agency Network in Asia and the Pacific.

1. Benefits of a regional Asset Recovery Inter-Agency Network (ARIN) were explained based on experiences of the existing ARINs, along with emphasis on its difference from other existing formal/informal networks.
2. The value of creating a CARIN style network in Asia and the Pacific region was discussed and its feasibility and nature were elaborated considering, inter alia, disparity of economic and judicial development and language differences in this region.
3. A proposal to develop a regional ARIN in Asia and the Pacific (ARIN-AP) was presented by the Korean SPO and was appreciated. Advice thereon was given in terms of drafting a clear statement of intent; selecting the right contact persons through domestic inter-agency coordination; considering manageable geographical coverage; establishing a website; and identifying external funding options.
4. A proposal by the Korean SPO to hold a preparatory meeting in the 1st quarter and launch congress to announce creation of a CARIN style network for Asia and the

Pacific by the end of 2nd quarter of next year was presented. This proposal was welcomed.

5. Final minutes of this meeting will be circulated to participants by 18 December 2012; Participants who may have questions agreed to submit them by 21 January 2013 and answers thereon will be reverted back by 28 January. It was agreed that the Korean SPO will be a focal point for answering questions. Depending on the nature of questions and request of questioners, it will either be shared with meeting participants or answered by SPO.
6. The Korean SPO was encouraged to solicit countries' participation in ARIN-AP with support of UNODC and other regional ARIN Secretariats.
7. Participants expressed their intention to consult further with their relevant national authorities to enhance understanding on ARIN-AP. These issues will be discussed further at future meetings.