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FEATURED STORY

ABA ROLI Contributes to Constitution-Drafting Process in Nepal



In mid-February, the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) conducted a series of three workshops on key aspects of Nepal's ongoing constitution-drafting process. The workshops, which were attended by members of Nepal's national legislature, the Constituent Assembly (CA), as well as Nepal Bar Association (NBA) district leaders, provided information about international norms for human rights and judicial independence. [Read more »»](#)

WEBSITE SURVEY

EUROPE AND EURASIA

Trainings to Boost Justice Sector Players in Moldova

The ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI), in partnership with the National Institute of Justice (NIJ), is conducting a series of trainings to enhance judicial capacity in Moldova.

ABA ROLI collaborated with the NIJ and the Enforcement of Judgments Division to conduct the first two trainings, which were held in late January and early February.

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MULTIMEDIA SPOTLIGHT

Podcasts: Field Directors Encourage Dialog During Public Event



On March 4, the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) hosted a public event in Washington, D.C., to encourage discussion around global rule of law development. The day-long event gathered representatives from the U.S. government, non-profits, businesses and academia to share both successes and challenges. ABA ROLI and fellow development stakeholders shared best practices and ideas for fostering strengthened institutions and for continuing to empower communities. [Read more »](#)

EUROPE AND EURASIA

Student Essay Contest Winners Receive Scholarship



Winners of the women and minority law student essay contest organized by the ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) and the Gender & Minorities Committee of the Kosovo Chamber of Advocates (KCA) received scholarship. [Read more »](#)

AFRICA

James A. A. Pierre Judicial Institute Graduates First Group of Liberian Trainers

LATIN AMERICA AND CARIBBEAN

ABA ROLI Launches a Program in Panama

The ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) has initiated a comprehensive review and reform of the Panamanian police curriculum and training methods. ABA ROLI's efforts will promote a rule of law culture among

MIDDLE EAST AND NORTH AFRICA

Third National Moot Court Competition Held in Jordan



Liberia's recently launched judicial training institute—the James A. A. Pierre Judicial Institute—awarded certificates to 21 Liberian judges, magistrates and lawyers after they completed the institute's first training course on instructional design and facilitation skills. [Read more »](#)

the police. Recent developments, such as the transfer of investigative powers to the newly-formed Judicial Investigation Bureau and the establishment of new criminal and criminal procedure codes, necessitate the revision of police training curricula. They also amplify the need for trainers who can effectively promote a rule of law culture in the Panamanian police force. ABA ROLI's program will enhance the police's understanding of their role under new organizations and codes, and thereby increase public confidence in the police and their security efforts. [Read more »](#)



Sixteen teams from eight Jordanian law schools participated in the ABA Rule of Law Initiative's (ABA ROLI's) third national moot court competition on January 31. In the past two years, ABA ROLI experts have trained local professors, boosting their capacity to organize and train for moot court competitions. Eight events were held at the participating universities to qualify teams for the national competition. As a result of this experience, universities have begun to incorporate moot court activities within their law programs. [Read more »](#)

AFRICA

Nigerian Program Addressed Human Trafficking

The ABA Rule of Law Initiative (ABA ROLI) closed its program in Nigeria in January 2009. Over the course of this three-year program, ABA ROLI successfully combated trafficking in persons in Nigeria through three major initiatives—training law enforcement, creating a nationwide electronic database and providing support to trafficking victims. [Read more »](#)

EUROPE AND EURASIA

ABA ROLI Launches Human Trafficking Course in the Russian Far East

On February 24, the ABA Rule of Law Initiative's (ABA ROLI's) Russian Far East Program launched its newly-developed sex trafficking curriculum at the Far Eastern State Technical University—one of the leading law schools in Vladivostok, Russia. With support from the U.S. Agency for International Development, ABA ROLI Vladivostok staff members and university faculty are collaboratively teaching the course. A total of 26 students are enrolled in the course. [Read more »](#)



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