

**TERMS OF REFERENCE OF JURISAI's
PUBLIC PROSECUTOR OFFICES COMMITTEE**

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Introduction

The Public Prosecutor Offices Committee (PPOC) is one of the Permanent Committees of JURISAI (art. 10, par. 2, St.) and its Chair is a member of the Governing Board.

Its functions, and the reasons of its establishment, are related to the objective of JURISAI to “*Provide adequate representation to the organization and the functions of the Public Prosecutor, as an organ playing an essential role in the jurisdictional system, and foster dialogue and exchange of experiences among the prosecution’s offices of the participating SAIs*” (art. 3, par. 2, lett. g), St.).

Following the decision taken by the General Assembly of JURISAI on October 8, 2024, the Committee is currently chaired by the *Corte dei conti* of Italy (SAI Italy), represented by its General Prosecutor.

1. Tasks assigned to the Committee

According to the Organization’s Strategic Plan 2025-2028, the PPOC, in the framework of the first Strategic Goal - *Foster Knowledge-Sharing, Collaboration, and Support to Enhance Jurisdictional Activities Effectiveness* – plays its role in ensuring that the Public Prosecutors Offices of JURISAI are part of a cohesive and supportive network.

In this respect, the main tasks of the PPOC are:

- encouraging dialogue and cooperation among Public Prosecutor Offices, and between the latter and their respective SAIs, with the creation of a knowledge network and the development of guides, studies and researches;
- promoting the exchange of experience and best practices in jurisdictional functions, with specific regard to the work of Prosecutors, on the ground of the INTOSAI P50 *Principles of jurisdictional activities of SAIs*.

In order to pursue the second Strategic Goal – *Strengthen Capacity building and Development Activities in SAIs with jurisdictional functions* – the Committee also promotes training and education for Public Prosecutors, and contributes to the organization of exchange programs.

2. Operating principles

The members of the Public Prosecutor Offices Committee demonstrate their full commitment to the work necessary to achieve the objectives of the Committee within the framework of its action plans or the tasks assigned by JURISAI.

The participation of members is based on voluntariness and free acceptance of projects, programs, tasks and activities entrusted by the Committee to its members. These report on their implementation to facilitate coordination by the Chair of the Committee and the General Secretariat of JURISAI.

The members of the Committee are entitled to be informed during the meetings of the Committee on projects and activities and the progress of implementation.

At the initiative of the Chair, the Committee meets at least once a year on the sidelines of JURISAI’s statutory meetings. Meetings may be held in person and, when necessary, online.

The Committee encourages consensus in its decision-making process. When necessary, decisions are made by simple majority. In case of a tie, the Chairperson shall hold the deciding vote.

A representative of the General Secretariat attends the Committee’s meetings.

3. Sub-committees

As necessary, members of the PPOC may propose to the Committee to establish sub-committees to focus on specific areas or tasks.

The establishment of sub-committees is subject to the approval of the Committee.

The sub-committees are responsible for providing answers to specific questions related to the PPOC's missions, including, with specific regards to the Public Prosecutor Offices:

- improving training and exchanges;
- strengthening partnerships and sharing experiences;
- disseminating tools and promoting best practices.

If necessary, specific terms of reference for each sub-committee will be developed.

4. Relation with the General Secretariat

The General Secretariat supports the achievement of the Committee's aims and objectives in accordance with the JURISAI's statutes, the Strategic Plan and the Committee's operational plan. To this end, it assists the Committee's Chairperson in preparing meetings and coordinating and monitoring activities.

Additionally, it performs the functions of General Rapporteur in preparing the reporting documents for the Committee's work (minutes, summaries, annual reports, etc.).

5. Relations with other JURISAI committees

In order to foster synergy in actions within JURISAI, the Committee will work in close collaboration with the General Secretariat and the other committees. The link will also be established with JURISAI's partners who may provide support in carrying out the planned activities.

6. Production and quality control of products

During its mandate, the Committee will be required to deliver many outputs. These include, namely, the operational plan clearly outlining the Committee's objectives and strategic actions, annual work plans detailing the activities, their timelines, and the responsibilities of stakeholders. It will also need to produce annual activity reports, mid-term reports on the implementation progress of activities based on the JURISAI Strategic Plan, in relation to the Committee's specific objectives as well as any other deliverables within its mandate.

The committee members are collectively responsible of the quality of its work deliverables. Quality control of deliverables is carried out within the sub-committees, where applicable, by a group of experts appointed by the Chair of the Committee.

All deliverables are subject to approval by the members of the Committee before being submitted to the General Secretariat of JURISAI.

7. Provision of resources

The Committee benefits from resources provided by the General Secretariat.

SAI members of the Committee must cover the expenses related to their participation in meetings. To this end, they are responsible for flight tickets, visa fees, insurance costs, accommodation, and meals (except for lunches during meeting days, which will be covered by the host SAI).

In order to cover expenses related to the implementation of certain activities, the Chair of the Committee may seek funding from JURISAI's partners. However, the granting of such funding must be in accordance with the rules set forth in the Organization's Financial Regulations.

8. Approval and review

These Terms of Reference were approved by the GB at its meeting held on 11 September 2025 in Brasília. They will be reviewed every three years or as required institutionally.