



The Camden Asset Recovery Inter-Agency Network (CARIN)

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CARIN is an informal network of English speaking judicial and law enforcement practitioners, who are expert in the field of asset tracing, freezing, seizure and confiscation



Why was there a Need for a Network?

- ❖ *The cross border fight against international crime receives support from many Framework Decisions and International Conventions*
- ❖ *In practice, these measures can only be applied with good cross border, inter-agency co-operation*
- ❖ *The human element always plays a key role*



The History of CARIN

- ❖ *One of the workshop recommendations was the creation of an informal network of experts in the field of asset forfeiture.*

- ❖ *The idea for CARIN was born*



Structure, Aims and Objectives

- ❖ *2 contacts from each member jurisdiction or organisation*
- ❖ *Steering Group – 9 members*
- ❖ *Presidency - Annual*
- ❖ *Europol - permanent Secretariat*
- ❖ *Eurojust - SG observers*



Structure, Aims and Objectives

- ❖ *CARIN Manual*

- ❖ *The aim of CARIN is to increase the effectiveness of members' efforts on a multi-agency basis, in depriving criminals of their illicit profits*

- ❖ *9 Objectives to meet the aim*



Development of CARIN

- ❖ *CARIN network : 55 Current Members and Observers,*
- ❖ *Macedonia are about to join (2010)*
- ❖ *Non-Law Enforcement bodies offered Membership with Associate status e.g. World Bank, IMF, UNODC*



55 Members
as of September 2009



46 Countries / Jurisdictions:



Albania, Austria, Australia, Belgium, Bulgaria, Canada, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Germany, Gibraltar, Greece, Guernsey, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Isle of Man, Israel, Italy, Jersey, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Mexico, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sweden, United Kingdom, United States of America

9 International Organisations:



Europol, Egmont Group, Eurojust, International Criminal Court (ICC), International Monetary Fund (IMF), Interpol, OLAF, United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), World Bank



International Organisations as Observers & Associates

- *Europol – Secretariat*
- *Eurojust – Observers on the Steering Group*
- *Interpol*
- *OLAF*
- *UNODC*
- *EGMONT*
- *ICC*
- *IMF*
- *World Bank*



Development of CARIN

❖ *Annual General Meetings were held in*

2004 - Netherlands

2005 - Ireland

2006 - Austria

2007 - UK

2008 - France

2009 - USA

2010 - Czech Republic

2011 - Bulgaria



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How does it work?

- *CARIN focuses on ALL CRIMES,*
- *CARIN as a network has no legal basis*
- *CARIN contacts are not currently linked electronically (although there are plans to change)*
- *The CARIN contacts list forms the basis of the network*
- ***Informal Network – Formal Channels***
- *The Network Contacts are the practitioners in the field – both judicial and law enforcement*



How does it work?

Operational Involvement

- *CARIN contacts provide general information on the possibilities in their own jurisdictions*
- *And Facilitate the effective exchange of information and intelligence where necessary*



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Strategic Involvement

- *CARIN contacts undertake to meet all the strategic objectives in the CARIN Manual for their own jurisdictions*
- *Meet at an Annual Conference and (in Workshops) make recommendations to overcome the barriers and problems*



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What Benefits Can CARIN Bring to you?

- *General Advice and Guidance on asset recovery in member jurisdictions*
- *Facilitate, where possible, training in all aspects of asset recovery*
- *Facilitate the exchange of operational requests between your investigators and prosecutors and other CARIN member jurisdictions*
- *Access to the FCIC website containing all general CARIN information*



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