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**IAP Global Training Academy webinar:
Modern Slavery and Human Trafficking Prosecutions
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Speaker Biographies

Jessica Roberts

Jessica is Vice President of Partnerships at Justice & Care. Prior to joining the organization, she was the Communications and Engagement Lead at the UK Independent Anti-Slavery Commissioner's Office during the tenure of Professor Dame Sara Thornton. She previously worked in the marine-based shipping industry and her academic background is in law, politics and international relations.

Marcelo Luis Columbo

Marcelo Colombo is an Argentinean prosecutor specialised in Criminal Law, and head of the Federal Prosecutor's Office No. 8 before the Federal Criminal Courts of the City of Buenos Aires. He coordinates the Ibero-American Network of Prosecutors Specialized in Human Trafficking (REDTRAM) and has been an international consultant on anti-corruption policies. He has received multiple awards for his work against human trafficking and is part of the UNODC expert group on the subject.

Barbara Mae P. Flores

Barbara Mae P. Flores is the OIC Executive Director of the Philippines National Coordination Center Against Online Sexual Abuse or Exploitation of Children and Child Sexual Abuse or Exploitation Materials (NCC-OSAEC-CSAEM) and has been a prosecutor since 2008. She also served as the Chief of Operations and was a pioneer member of the Philippines Department of Justice's Region XI Anti-Trafficking in Persons Task Force, established in 2010.

With a deep commitment to combating human trafficking, child pornography, online sexual abuse or exploitation of children (OSAEC), and child abuse, she has worked closely with law enforcement to investigate and prosecute these cases. Her leadership has been instrumental in multiple anti-trafficking initiatives, including establishing an anti-trafficking multi-disciplinary team at the Davao International Airport.

She is a member of the Global Experts Consortium on Prosecuting Human Trafficking, launched by Justice and Care and the McCain Institute. This consortium brings together experienced prosecutors from around the world to develop targeted policy recommendations and align the best available evidence for prosecuting human trafficking cases with a victim-centered approach. Additionally, she is a 2020 fellow of the WeProtect Global Alliance Fellowship, which convened stakeholders from



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across Asia to combat OSAEC, and a 2022-2023 fellow of Fulbright's 10-month Hubert H. Humphrey Fellowship at American University in Washington, DC, with a focus on Anti-Trafficking in Persons.

She has also served as a lecturer on trafficking in persons and online sexual abuse or exploitation of children. She has conceptualised and organised several inter-agency anti-trafficking training programs. Most notably, she is leading the Anti-Online Sexual Abuse or Exploitation of Children Workshop for Investigators and Prosecutors Against Exploitation (OSAEC WIPE Out), which has already trained prosecutors and law enforcers in several regions of the country.

David Mancini

David Mancini is currently chief Prosecutor at the Juvenile Court in L'Aquila, in Italy. He has been working as district public Prosecutor and then as Anti-mafia public Prosecutor. He has contributed to anti-trafficking projects conducted by various national and international organisations. He has been involved in multi-disciplinary training programmes, even for judges and prosecutors. Since 2016 he has been the director of the OSCE live-based simulation training exercises on combating human trafficking. He has lectured in international and national conferences, has drafted reports and published articles. Since 2025 he is a member of the GRETA at the Council of Europe.