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The Doha Declaration:
PROMOTING A CULTURE OF LAWFULNESS

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Empowering the next generation and providing them with the tools needed to change society for the better is at the heart of building a sustainable culture of lawfulness. It rests on using education to prevent crime, promote the rule of law, and build respect for human rights.

With this understanding, the Doha Declaration – which was adopted by Member States at the 13th United Nations Crime Congress in Qatar – emphasizes the importance of education and puts it at the forefront of the UN’s preventive efforts of building strong and resilient societies.

Through funding from the State of Qatar, this approach has been operationalized in the form of the Education for Justice (E4J) initiative – one of four components being rolled out under the UNODC Global Programme for the Implementation of the Doha Declaration.

Within this initiative, UNODC and its partners, including UNESCO, are developing a host of innovative tools to support educators at the primary, secondary and tertiary levels. Aside from direct support to teachers and academics, these resources are also helping Member States in achieving their commitments to promote the rule of law through education.

This special event is designed to highlight this approach and the importance of teaching youth to build a culture of lawfulness. It presents UNODC tools and resources – both developed and forthcoming – and offers attendees an opportunity to learn more about how the UN is looking at innovating ways to promote peace and security from an early age.