Asset-Stripping:

Responses to the Financing of Terrorism and Crime

May 14-15, 2015

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There are many ways to consider criminal and terrorist anti-assets strategies, including national/ comparative analysis of legal rules and procedures, historical context, economic analyses of impact, quantitative/ qualitative assessments, and so on. This AHRC-funded event seeks to bring together experts from different academic disciplines, alongside practitioners and policymakers, to advance knowledge and understanding, and to identify future research directions. Our network cuts across conventional legal boundaries (eg civil/ criminal/ regulation); it transcends disciplinary boundaries; and it overcomes boundaries between the academic community and policymakers/ practitioners. Discussion will centre on a number of key areas:

Day 1: Criminal Asset Stripping

- In light of various controversies, most recently revelations about HSBC, there will be a focus on money laundering and financial crime.
- If conventional law enforcement techniques are inadequate to tackle financial wrongdoing, does proceeds of crime legislation offer an alternative?
- More generally, there is a need to re-consider the proceeds of crime approach following stringent criticism of the UK POCA from, *inter alia*, the National Audit Office and the Public Accounts Committee.

Day 2: Terrorism Asset Stripping

- There will be an emphasis on terrorism financing. The events in Syria and Iraq, as reflected in UNSCR 2178, give timely weight to the need for such debates.
- A prime distinctive feature will be the comparative approach especially with an emphasis on comparison with the US as delivered by leading US commentators.
- The substantive topics will cohere around policies, criminal law, civil law, and sanctions.

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Programme

	14 MAY 2015: CRIMINAL ASSET STRIPPING
13.15 - 13.30	Welcome
13.30 - 15.00	Money Laundering: Policing Economic Crime
	Rob McCusker, Teesside University Business School
	Kenneth Murray, Head of Forensic Accountancy, Police Scotland
	Dr Robert Stokes, University of Liverpool
	Chair: Professor Jimmy Gurulé, University of Notre Dame
15.00 - 15.15	Break
15.15 – 16.45	Criminal Assets: Re-thinking proceeds of crime approaches
	Professor Ernesto Savona, TransCrime, Italy
	Alison Moore, Head of Proceeds of Crime Reform Unit, Home Office
	Ian Smith, Barrister, 11 Stone Buildings
	Chair: Dr Colin King, University of Sussex
16.45 - 17.00	Break
17.00 - 18.30	Proceeds of Corruption
	Dr Nicholas Lord, University of Manchester
	James Maton, Partner, Cooley LLP
	Mark Thompson, Head of Proceeds of Crime, Serious Fraud Office
	Chair: Dr Nicholas Lord, University of Manchester
18.30 – 19.00	Drinks reception
19.00	Dinner for speakers
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