

Personal

Name: Cuno Jakob Tarfusser
Date of birth: 11 August 1954
Nationality: Italian

Education

1969 - 1974 Humanistisches Lyzeum, Bolzano, German-speaking high school.

1974 - 1975 University of Innsbruck, Faculty of Law.

1975 - 1979 University of Padova - Degree in Law.

Judicial career and professional experience

1980 - 1985 Solicitor in a lawyer's office in Padova, Italy.

1985 - 2001 Deputy Public Prosecutor at the Public Prosecution Office of the Bolzano District Court.

As Deputy Prosecutor, Mr. Tarfusser has been involved in conducting an extensive range of investigations and trials concerned with a variety of crimes:

- Crimes against individuals and personal freedom (in particular, sexual violence, rape, paedophilia, child abuse and maltreatment, domestic violence, personal injury, robbery and murder);
- Crimes against the State (terrorism);
- Crimes against the Public Administration (extortion, corruption, abuse of power, embezzlement etc.);
- Trafficking of human beings, drugs and weapons;
- Financial and bankruptcy crimes;
- Smuggling and European Union fraud;
- Organized crime, including economic crimes such as money laundering and forgery, terrorism and corruption. These prosecutorial activities were facilitated by an effective investigation network built up by Mr. Tarfusser in a number of countries.

2001 - 2008 Chief Public Prosecutor at the Public Prosecution Office of the Bolzano District Court.

As head of the Public Prosecutor's Office, Mr. Tarfusser initiated in July 2001 a radical reorganization of staff, including grouping the prosecutors in more specialized working teams. One of these groups, composed of 3 Deputy Prosecutors and 12 male and female police officers, is specialized in investigating crimes against human rights, with particular reference to child abuse and all types of sexual and physical violence against women and children.

In 2004, under the guidance of Mr. Tarfusser, the Public Prosecutor's Office started a complex and complete project of reorganization of the working processes by implementing a modern and certifiable organization model which included the optimization of resources. In 2005, the Public Prosecutor's Office published the first Charter of Services for the Citizen. Since 2005, the Public Prosecutor's Office publishes every year the social

balance accounting and, in 2007, the Public Prosecutor's Office obtained, as the first judicial office ever, the ISO 9001:2000 certification.

All this has resulted in a reduction in judicial costs of about 70 per cent, far higher standards and quality of service and, consequently, a better relationship with members of the public and those professionals who interact daily with the Public Prosecutor's Office (judges, lawyers, police and citizens).

The organizational model implemented at the Public Prosecution Office in Bolzano is now considered to be a model for the entire justice administration in Italy and as a best practice to be extended to other judicial offices.

2007 - 2008 Expert in court management at the Ministry of Justice.

Teaching assignments

1988 Teaching criminal procedures at the Police Academy of Bolzano.

February 1996 Lecturer at the Police Academy in Münster (Germany) in Italian legislation on combating organized crime.

1996 - 1997 Lecturer in criminal procedures at the Faculty of Law of the University of Innsbruck for Italian students of criminal procedural matters.

1996 and 2000 Teaching investigation techniques and international cooperation at the Customs Department of the Ministry of Finance.

2001 - 2004 Lecturer in criminal procedures at the Specialization School for Legal Professions, University of Trento and Verona.

2007 - 2008 Lecturer in court management at the University of Bari, Faculty of Law; Inland Revenue Police Academy in Rome; University of Messina, Faculty of Law.

2008 Lecturer in business management (Master's level) at the University of Verona, Faculty of Law.

2008 Lecturer in work processes organization and the management of human resources at the University of Padova, Faculty of Psychology.

2008 Lecturer in organization of judicial offices and optimization of resources at the University of Bologna, Faculty of Political Sciences.

Judicial experience, missions and presentations abroad

Rogatory commissions in several countries, such as, Germany, Austria, France, Liechtenstein, Switzerland, Luxembourg, the United Kingdom, the Netherlands, Denmark, Spain, Belarus and the Dominican Republic.

October 1995 Vienna, "The Italian legislation on combating organized crime".

September 1997 Graz, "Particular technical investigation techniques".

- June - July 1998/ Wustrau (Germany), Judges Academy, “The position of the Italian Public
September 2001 Prosecutor”.
- June 2000 Innsbruck, “The preliminary investigations in the Italian criminal
procedure”.
- September 2000 Baden, presentation on “Money laundering and reinvestment in legal
economic and financial activities”.
- November 2001 Munich, Tax Office of the European Commission, presentation on
“Confiscation of the proceeds of crime: legal basis and practice in Italy”.
- September 2002 Munich, Tax Office of the European Commission, presentation on “Cross
border investigations in the area of organised crime”.
- November 2002/ Sofia, short-term expert in the twinning programme “Strengthening of the
April 2003/ Public Prosecution Office in Bulgaria”.
March 2004
- June 2006 Como, International Conference on Open Source Systems (OSS),
presentation on “E-justice and Open Source”.
- September 2007 Trier, German Judges Academy, presentation on “The magistrate in the
Italian legal system”.
- January 2008 Munich, congress on “The protection of the economic interest of the
European Union by combating corruption: The legal instruments in the
Italian legislation”.
- April 2008 Luxembourg, European Institute of Public Administration (EIPA),
presentation on “ISO 9000:2001 as a framework for quality management:
The experience of the Public Prosecution Office in Bolzano”.

Hosting foreign delegations

Mr. Tarfusser hosted many visits to the Public Prosecutor’s Office of Bolzano from several delegations, especially from German-speaking countries like Germany, Austria and Switzerland, but also from other countries, such as Bulgaria and, recently, China.

Language skills

Bilingual (Italian and German), fluent in English and a good knowledge of French.