

# Annual Report 2005

This report provides a summary of the activities carried out by our institution in 2005. A tabular format is used to summarize the data, with the exception of the many seminars in which JSCA staff members participated, as this would generate an extremely long table. Each table lists the name of the activity, its objectives, where the event or activity was implemented, the funding source(s), participating groups, products, and impacts. The data is organized according to the Plan of Action 2005 that was approved by JSCA's Board of Directors. We also have included a financial report and a table that indicates which of the activities proposed in the Plan of Action were implemented.

It is important to note that JSCA's Strategy Plan for 2005-2009 was approved unanimously at the XII Meeting of the JSCA Board of Directors. The objectives of the plan are (i) to guide JSCA's Executive Office during this period; (ii) to involve the governments of the region and the direct beneficiaries of our activities, justice sector institutions and officials in each country of the Americas, in this work; and (iii) to facilitate fundraising activities that will ensure the availability of the resources needed to carry out these initiatives.

The "Strengthening Democratic Governance" section of the Plan of Action approved during the [IV Summit of the Americas](#) (held November 4-5, 2005 in Mar del Plata, Argentina) makes reference to plans to support the Center's Strategy Plan through Hemispheric Cooperation: (IV; B; 65) "To consolidate the Hemispheric Information Exchange Network for Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters and Extradition, support the actions for the implementation of a strategic plan for the Justice Studies Center of the Americas (JSCA), and strengthen the institutional development of the General Secretariat of the OAS in these issues, in accordance with the framework of the Meetings of Ministers of Justice or of Ministers or Attorneys General of the Americas (REMJA)."

## 1. Support for Criminal Justice Reforms

### 1.1 Pilot Project to Improve the Implementation of Criminal Procedure Reforms in Latin America

TABLE 1
<b>Name:</b> Strengthening the Adversarial System in the Province of Buenos Aires
<b>Objective:</b> To implement an oral hearing system that quickly resolves cases in which the defendant was caught en flagrante delicto. The aim is to effectively introduce orality by facilitating the development of institutional and operational agreements with a view to extend orality to other instances and jurisdictions.
<b>Location:</b> Mar del Plata, Province of Buenos Aires, Argentina
<b>Funding sources:</b> CIDA, Government of Argentina, Judicial Branch and Public Prosecutor's Office of the Province of Buenos Aires, with the collaboration of JSCA staff members.
<b>Local participants:</b> Ministry of Justice, Supreme Court and Attorney General's Office of the Province of Buenos Aires; INECIP Argentina
<b>Products:</b> A system of oral hearings came into force in July 2005 for cases in which the accused was caught en flagrante delicto. Two progress reports have been produced in order to monitor the implementation process.
<b>Results:</b> The participation of JSCA staff members in the design and organization of this program was decisive, not only in technical terms but also in regard to supporting and maintaining the political will required for its effective implementation. The project was launched on July 4, 2005. Mid-term evaluations have been positive and orality has been effectively introduced as a work method, with significant reductions in case processing times. The most visible result of the first hearings held in the context of the pilot plan has been the speediness of decision-making by the criminal justice system actors involved. In fact, the media has given extensive coverage to rulings handed down within three to four days of the commission of the crime. There also is a general consensus that making hearings oral and public has improved the administration of justice by making decisions transparent to society.

## 1.2 Research

<b>TABLE 2</b>
<b>Name:</b> Follow-up Study on Criminal Procedure Reform, Córdoba, Argentina
<b>Objective:</b> The CPR follow-up studies seek to obtain information on the functioning of criminal justice systems in order to identify major problems in the implementation of public, adversarial systems. In this case the study focused on the criminal procedure system in Córdoba, Argentina.
<b>Funding sources:</b> The study was conducted with the support of USAID, the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation and local counterparts.
<b>Local participant:</b> INECIP Córdoba
<b>Products:</b> The Córdoba report was finalized in the first quarter of 2005. (For more information see <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> .)
<b>Related Activities:</b> A full report on this study is pending publication and distribution.
<b>Results:</b> This study has served to support the federal justice system reform in Argentina, which is currently before the country's Congress.

<b>TABLE 3</b>
<b>Name:</b> Update on Criminal Procedure Reform in Latin America (Follow-Up Project in Bolivia, Costa Rica and Guatemala)
<b>Objectives:</b> Bolivia, Guatemala and Costa Rica have undergone significant changes since JSCA first conducted its follow-up study in those countries. The cases of Costa Rica and Guatemala, where JSCA's initiatives have prompted substantive changes to the new procedural system, are of particular interest. JSCA has updated the follow-up studies with data on the current operation of the systems in these countries.
<b>Funding source:</b> USAID, with JSCA staff participation
<b>Products:</b> Country reports have been prepared for Costa Rica and Bolivia. The report on Guatemala is pending. (For more information see <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> .)
<b>Results:</b> Once the reports are validated in each country they will be distributed and discussed. The final versions of the reports will be published by JSCA.

<b>TABLE 4</b>
<b>Name:</b> Gender and Criminal Procedure Reforms (2nd Stage)
<b>Objectives:</b> To provide information on how criminal justice systems, and particularly those that have undergone extensive reforms in recent years, deal with crimes that mainly affect women such as violent assault and sexual assault. The reports on gender and criminal procedure reform go beyond the follow-up studies to take a closer look at complex crimes that have a strong social impact and for which traditional criteria and practices have been prejudicial to victims.
<b>Countries or locations:</b>

Bolivia Córdoba, Argentina.
<b>Funding sources:</b> USAID and local counterpart funding
<b>Local participants:</b> Bolivia: Partners of the Americas Córdoba: INECIP
<b>Products:</b> The Bolivia report has been submitted to JSCA, and we are gathering statistics and case law to conduct the same study in the Province of Córdoba, Argentina. This report is slated for publication in April 2006, and its results will be presented at an international seminar.
<b>Results:</b> Replicas of the study were organized in response to requests from local institutions that expressed interest in JSCA's original studies on the issue. In both cases the local teams followed JSCA's methodology and were given technical assistance. The results of the original studies were presented during a meeting with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights' Special Rapporteur on Women's Rights in April and at the meeting "Una mirada de acceso a la justicia de los países del Conosur" in September.

TABLE 5
<b>Name:</b> Empirical Evaluation of Chile's Criminal Procedure Reform
<b>Objectives:</b> JSCA and Fundación Paz Ciudadana were awarded the commission for this study, which identifies the strengths and weaknesses of the Chilean CPR ad portas of its entry into force in the Metropolitan Region of Santiago on June 16, 2005. The study presents information from regions of the country that had already implemented the new adversarial system.
<b>Country:</b> Chile.
<b>Funding source:</b> Ministry of Justice of Chile, with the collaboration of JSCA staff.
<b>Local participant:</b> Fundación Paz Ciudadana, Chile.
<b>Products:</b> A final report was submitted to officials in the Ministry of Justice, Supreme Court, Public Prosecutor's Office and National Public Defender's Office. The document contains data from more than 7,000 hearings that were taped in various regions of the country during fifteen visits. The report also presents a thorough statistical analysis of the data.
<b>Related Activities:</b> The report was officially presented to Chile's justice sector authorities.
<b>Results:</b> Initiatives have been implemented to address some of the weaknesses identified in the report.

TABLE 6
<b>Name:</b> Indigenous Communities and Criminal Procedure Reform
<b>Objectives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide a preliminary overview of the impact of and issues related to the application of new adversarial criminal justice systems in an indigenous context.</li> <li>• To assess how these new systems deal with the indigenous communities' traditional dispute resolution methods.</li> </ul>
<b>Countries or locations:</b> Bolivia, Chile, Colombia, Guatemala and Peru

<b>Funding source:</b> CIDA, with the collaboration of JSCA staff
<b>Local participant:</b> INECIP Argentina
<b>Products:</b> Reports were prepared for Bolivia, Colombia, Peru, Guatemala and Chile. The last two contain additional information that had been collected the previous year (for more information see <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> ). The data will be systematized and organized into a comparative report that will include all of the countries studied.

TABLE 7
<b>Name:</b> Public Defense Manual for Latin America and the Caribbean
<b>Objective:</b> To provide tools for the effective and efficient design and administration of a public defense system.
<b>Countries or locations:</b> The manual was designed for use throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.
<b>Funding source:</b> United Nations Development Program (UNDP) with the collaboration of JSCA staff
<b>Products:</b> The first version of the manual is now complete. The document has been posted on JSCA's virtual forum platform in order to allow users to offer comments and observations. (See <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> .)
<b>Related Activities:</b> On September 9, 2005, JSCA organized a Public Defense Workshop to discuss the manual's form and content. The event featured observations from officials and academics including the National Public Defenders of Chile, Costa Rica and Argentina. The publication was officially launched at the Ibero-American Forum on Access to Justice held in Santiago, Chile in October.

TABLE 8
<b>Name:</b> Challenges of the Public Prosecutor's Office in Latin America
<b>Objectives:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To identify the main problems faced in the area of criminal prosecution in countries with reformed justice systems;</li> <li>• To provide creative and innovative solutions to these problems; and</li> <li>• To identify issues that should be addressed by the region's Public Prosecutor's Offices.</li> </ul>
<b>Countries or locations:</b> This report is designed to be applicable throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.
<b>Funding source:</b> Prepared by JSCA staff
<b>Products:</b> A preliminary draft of the text is now ready. The document has been posted on JSCA's virtual forum platform in order to allow users to submit comments and observations. (See <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> .)
<b>Related Activities:</b> On September 8, 2005 JSCA held a Workshop on Criminal Prosecution at its headquarters in Santiago, Chile. The event was attended by international experts who are working on this issue with JSCA. The manual was presented at the Inter-American Seminar on Modernizing Criminal Prosecution in Latin America, which was held December 5 and 6 in Mar del Plata, Argentina.

### 1.3 Training

JSCA's follow-up studies on criminal procedure reform in Latin America have identified problems and weaknesses in reformed systems. The Center has used this information to design training courses that address and provide solutions to said problems. The training programs are directed towards those responsible for designing reform processes and/or operators in the new systems.

<b>TABLE 9</b>
<p><b>Name:</b> Inter-America Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform (Version 2)</p>
<p><b>Objectives:</b> This is the second version of the program, which looks to improve the outcomes of the criminal justice reform processes in the region by training a critical mass of leaders who will implement replicas of the program in their respective countries.</p>
<p><b>Countries or locations:</b> Students came from Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Costa Rica, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Ecuador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, Peru, Uruguay and Venezuela.</p>
<p><b>Funding source:</b> CIDA, with participation of JSCA staff as instructors</p>
<p><b>Products:</b> In addition to the local replicas of the first version of the course,* the second version of the program was implemented in 2005. This year's participants attended the basic course "Instruments for the Implementation of an Oral Accusatory System" from April 3-8 and completed the Intermediate E-learning Course held from April to August and the Advanced Course in Santiago October 24-28. Materials were developed for each course. The e-learning course was held through JSCA's virtual platform. (To visit the platform, go to <a href="http://www.cejacampus.org">www.cejacampus.org</a> and use the user name "consejo" and the password "consejo2005"). A total of 146 applications were received and 65 students were admitted to the program. The second cycle ended with 55 students, or 85% of those selected. Six additional students attended the basic course at the express request of criminal justice system institutions in Guatemala and the Mexican states of Nueva León and Aguascalientes. In all, 93.4% of participants evaluated the course as "very good"; the e-learning component obtained an 89% approval rating and the advanced course was given an average score of 4.6 on a scale of 1 to 5.</p>
<p><b>Results:</b> Results: As of September 2005, 310 individuals from five countries have participated in local replicas of the training program. Eight trainers, including JSCA members, students and guests also attended the programs.</p> <p>Local Replicas held in 2005: January 19-20: Mar del Plata, Argentina March 11: Punta del Este, Uruguay June 2-4: Neuquén, Argentina June 8-9: San José, Costa Rica June 16-17: Bogotá, Colombia June 23-25: Mar del Plata, Argentina August 15-19: Tegucigalpa, Honduras September 19-22: Santa Cruz de Guanacaste, Costa Rica September 23-24: Bariloche, Argentina November 7: Lima, Peru</p>

<b>TABLE 10</b>
<p><b>Name:</b> JSCA, INECIP and Diario Judicial de Argentina Training Program</p>
<p><b>Objectives:</b> Geared towards attorneys, advanced law students and criminal justice system operators, this specialized course provides information on the criminal procedure reforms that have led to the implementation of an oral adversarial system in countries throughout the region in recent decades.</p>
<p><b>Country:</b> Argentina.</p>
<p><b>Funding source:</b></p>

Diario Judicial de Argentina.
<b>Local participants:</b> INECIP. Diario Judicial.
<b>Products:</b> Five courses were designed using JSCA's e-learning platform. The program includes a review of materials, activities, interaction with instructors through virtual fora and email, and an evaluation process.
<b>Results:</b> Eighty-five individuals have participated in the course thus far.

TABLE 11
<b>Name:</b> Strengthening and Modernization of Justice Administration in Mexico
<b>Objectives:</b> Five fora on key issues related to judicial reform were held in Mexico in order to compare experiences and generate debate within the country's justice sector.
<b>Country:</b> México.
<b>Funding source:</b> European Union
<b>Local participant:</b> Government of Mexico
<b>Products:</b> Three fora have been held thus far. Each event featured the participation of international experts from different fields. The first forum, which addressed "Constitutional Law, Criminal Procedure and Justice System Structure," was held in Mexico City April 4-8. The second took place June 27-30 in the state of Aguascalientes and focused on "Criminal Justice Reform: Concepts and Implementation Strategies." The third forum addressed "Constitutional Procedure Law" and was held September 12-14 in Mexico City.
<b>Results:</b> Participants surveyed after the first forum rated the event as "good" or "excellent" and gave it an average score of 4.6 on a scale of 1 to 5.

In addition to these key programs, JSCA organized courses and workshops at the request of various justice sector institutions in the region. JSCA staff also organized and/or participated as experts in countless seminars and conferences. If we consider all course and seminars, JSCA participated in an average of 1.4 events per week during the first eleven months of 2005.

The tables below summarize these activities:

Chart 1  
SUMMARY OF COURSES AND WORKSHOPS ORGANIZED BY JSCA

Activity	Description	Country	Date
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Workshop on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Rancagua	Delegation of 13 individuals from the City of Buenos Aires.	Rancagua, Chile	January 17-21
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Instructors: Cristián Riego and Mauricio Duce.	Mar del Plata, Argentina	January 19- 20
Litigation Course for Prosecutors and Judges	Cristián Riego and Mauricio Duce participated in this activity, which featured the attendance of prosecutors, judges and public defenders.	Mar del Plata, Argentina	January 17-24
Workshop on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Rancagua	Delegation of 11 members of the Judicial Department of Mar del Plata, Buenos Aires Province. (Representatives of criminal justice system institutions)	Rancagua y Santiago, Chile	February 28-March 11
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Mauricio Duce facilitated the workshop "Litigation and Orality: Towards a New Training Model for Truly Accusatory Systems"	Punta del Este, Uruguay	March 11
Workshop on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Valparaíso	Delegates included the Chief Justice and two justices of the Buenos Aires Province Supreme Court and the Minister of Justice.	Valparaíso, Chile	March 21-23
Workshop on and Observation of the Functioning of Chile's Judicial Branch	10 delegates from Nicaragua, led by that country's Supreme Court Chief Justice.	Rancagua, Santiago, Chile	April 4-8
Lecture on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Valparaíso	Mauricio Duce and Alvaro Castro offered presentations to a delegation of judges from Haiti.	Santiago, La Serena, Chile	May 4-6
Workshop on the International Model Accusatory Procedure, Litigation and Orality	Organized in commemoration of the XXVI anniversary of Peru's Public Prosecutor's Office. Mauricio Duce participated.	Lima, Perú	May 10-11

Workshop on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Temuco	9-member delegation composed of members of the criminal justice system of Chubut Province, Argentina.	Temuco, Chile	May 12-13
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Mildred Hartmann participated as an instructor.	Neuquén, Argentina	June 2-4
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Juan Enrique Vargas, Mauricio Duce and Ileana Arduino (trainer from the first version of the course) participated.	San José, Costa Rica	June 8-9
Meetings to Update Journalists on Chile's Criminal Procedure Reform	16 journalists and editors from popular news media participated in this event, posing questions about the new criminal procedure system, which went into force in Santiago on June 16, 2005. JSCA facilitators included Juan Enrique Vargas, Mauricio Duce and Cristián Riego.	Santiago, Chile	June 13-15
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	JSCA staff members Cristián Riego and Mildred Hartmann participated as instructors.	Bogotá, Colombia	June 16-17
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Mauricio Duce participated as an instructor for course on oral guarantee hearings.	Mar del Plata, Argentina	June 23-25
Workshop on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Valparaíso	8-member delegation of law students and recent graduates from the City of Juárez who had won an inter-university competition on oral trials.	Valparaíso, Chile	July 4-8
Workshop on and Observation of the Chilean CPR, Santiago	Delegation of 25 individuals from USAID Mexico, discussed aspects of Chile's CPR in a workshop format.	Santiago, Chile	July 27
Workshop for Delegation of Attorneys from Costa Rica	Delegation of representatives of the Judicial Branch and Public Prosecutor's Office of Costa Rica analyzed aspects of	Santiago, Chile	August 9



	CPR in the Americas.		
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Leticia Lorenzo, graduate of the first trainer program, participated as an instructor.	Tegucigalpa, Honduras	August 15-19
Workshop on Public Defense	JSCA staff and international guests discussed JSCA's Public Defense Manual.	Santiago, Chile	September 8
Workshop on Criminal Prosecution	JSCA staff and international guests discussed JSCA's Criminal Prosecution Manual.	Santiago, Chile	September 9
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	SCA staff member Mauricio Duce and trainers from the first version of the program Jeny Quiroz and Rodolfo Solórzano participated as instructors.	Santa Cruz de Guanacaste, Costa Rica	September 19-22
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Cristián Riego and Leonardo Moreno, JSCA consultant, attended as instructors.	Bariloche, Argentina	September 23-24
Training activity for the Buenos Aires Strengthening Project	Cristián Riego attended as an instructor.	Ciudad Autónoma de Bs. As, Argentina	September 25
Local Replica of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Juan Enrique Vargas attended as an instructor.	Lima, Perú	November 7

Chart 2  
SUMMARY OF VIRTUAL FORA ORGANIZED BY JSCA

Name	Description	Date
The Role of the Public Prosecutor's Office in Criminal Procedure Reform in Latin America: Overview of the State of Change	This activity seeks to facilitate open discussion of the current situation of criminal prosecution in Latin America. The paper of the same name, authored by JSCA's Mauricio Duce, served as a starting point for this discussion. The fora were coordinated by Mauricio Duce and Cristián Riego. The maximum number of registered participants was 151.	March 28- April 1
Forum on JSCA's Public Defense Manual	This new service allows users to submit comments on JSCA's documents. The idea is to consider users' comments when editing the document in keeping within JSCA's institutional vision.	Launched on November 14
Forum on Civil Justice Reform from a Public Policy Perspective	See above.	Launched on November 14

Forum on Civil Justice Reform in England and Wales	See above.	Launched on November 14
Forum on Tools for the Design of Judicial Offices	See above.	Launched on November 14
Forum on Challenges of the Public Prosecutor's Office in Latin America	See above.	Launched on November 14

#### 1.4 Inter-American Seminars Organized by JSCA

TABLE 12
<p><b>Name:</b> III Inter-American Seminar on Judicial Management</p>
<p><b>Objective:</b> To analyze experiences and lessons learned in the design, implementation and operation of substantive aspects of judicial office models and their sustainability in terms of organizational, functional, economic and cultural aspects.</p>
<p><b>Location:</b> Managua, Nicaragua.</p>
<p><b>Funding sources:</b> Supreme Court of Nicaragua (IDB project) and JSCA general funds</p>
<p><b>Local participant:</b> Supreme Court of Nicaragua</p>
<p><b>Products:</b> The document "Designing Judicial Office Models, Experiences and Lessons Learned" was prepared for this seminar and was the focus of a presentation by Juan Enrique Vargas.</p>
<p><b>Related Activities:</b> Activities were disseminated through JSCA publications, our website, mailings and invitations that were sent to Public Prosecutor's Offices around the region. (See the event web page: <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a>.)</p>
<p><b>Results:</b> The 178 participants gave the course an average score of 9.58 on a scale of 1 to 10.</p>

TABLE 13
<p><b>Name:</b> Inter-American Seminar on Civil Justice</p>
<p><b>Objectives:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide a general overview of key aspects of civil justice reform in Latin American countries;</li> <li>• To identify specific problems and propose appropriate solutions for each; and</li> <li>• To obtain in-depth knowledge of the civil justice reforms being undertaken in Spain and England and to extract useful lessons for Latin American reforms.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Location:</b> Santiago, Chile</p>
<p><b>Funding source:</b> USAID</p>
<p><b>Local participants:</b> Ministry of Justice of Chile, Chilean Bar Association</p>
<p><b>Products:</b> Juan Enrique Vargas presented a paper on "Civil Justice Reform from a Public Policy Perspective." Documents were also prepared on the civil justice reforms in Spain and England and Wales.</p>

**Related Activities:**

The activities were disseminated through JSCA publications, our website, and mailings. (See the event website: [www.cejamericas.org](http://www.cejamericas.org).)

**Results:**

128 people attended the event.

**TABLE 14****Name:**

Inter-American Seminar on Criminal Prosecution

**Objectives:**

To continue the debate on the current state and challenges of criminal prosecution in public prosecutor's offices in the context of the criminal procedure reform.

**Location:**

Mar del Plata, Argentina

**Funding source:**

USAID

**Local participant:**

Organized by JSCA

**Products:**

The document "Challenges for the Public Prosecutor's Office in Latin America" was prepared and distributed in English and Spanish along with additional information on experiences in victim's rights and early termination of cases.

**Related Activities:**

The activities were disseminated through JSCA publications, our website, mailings and invitations sent to Public Prosecutor's Offices in the region.

**Results:**

163 people attended the seminar.

**2. Developing Information Systems and Judicial Management***2.1 Strengthening Judicial Information Systems***TABLE 15****Name:**

Criminal Court Statistics for Guatemala

**Objectives:**

To collect statistical information in order to contribute to improving the country's judicial information systems.

**Country:**

Guatemala.

**Funding source:**

USAID Guatemala, with the collaboration of JSCA staff

**Products:**

This project is currently in the information-gathering stage. Five visits to Guatemala have been completed to date.

**TABLE 16****Name:**

Index of Online Access to Judicial Information

<b>Objectives:</b>	To compare the performance of countries across the region in this area, identifying how much judicial information is accessible online. The index focuses on Judicial Branches and Public Prosecutor's Offices and measures the availability of information on activities, case law, institutional budgets, performance (statistics), coverage and background information on judges and prosecutors, among other aspects.
<b>Countries or locations:</b>	Across the region
<b>Funding source:</b>	JSCA's resources
<b>Products:</b>	An index that rates the amount of basic information that is made available to the public by justice sector agencies on a scale of 1-100%. See <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> .
<b>Related Activities:</b>	During the first quarter of this year JSCA's Press and Communications Area distributed a press packet with the results of the Index to 35 specialized media in 10 countries; 96 contacts in the technology sector in 20 countries; and all directors of justice sector institutions that were included in the study, including Public Prosecutor's Offices and Judicial Branches. As a result, the index was broadly disseminated by the media, with coverage and extensive commentaries on the results particularly in Costa Rica, Mexico and Peru.

**TABLE 17**

<b>Name:</b>	Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas 2004-2005
<b>Objectives:</b>	To provide a comprehensive overview of the region's judicial systems, describing the structure and characteristics, operation, productivity and reform initiatives underway in each institution. The first version of the report covered 2002-2003.
<b>Countries or locations:</b>	The report covers all of the countries of the region. We received a special request to include Puerto Rico in this edition.
<b>Funding sources:</b>	USAID, CIDA, with the collaboration of JSCA staff
<b>Products:</b>	The Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas 2004-2005, with a first run of 1,000 copies in Spanish and another 1,000 in the English translation. The complete document is also available online at <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org/reportes">www.cejamericas.org/reportes</a>
<b>Related Activities:</b>	The report has been presented at JSCA's Inter-American Seminars: Judicial Management, held in Managua, Nicaragua; Keys to Civil Justice Reform, held in Santiago, Chile; and Criminal Prosecution Seminar, held in Mar del Plata, Argentina. The online version was launched on November 8, 2005. The document also has been distributed to the region's justice sector institutions and to international participants at the Ibero-American Forum on Access to Justice, which was held in Santiago, Chile at the end of October. JSCA's Press and Communications Area is publicizing the report through the specialized press and major media outlets.
<b>Results:</b>	Numerous institutions and international organizations have asked for copies of the report, and the media has been receptive to the information and has provided broad coverage in Argentina, Bolivia and Brazil. The report also has been cited in judicial and academic studies in Argentina and Peru.

## 2.2 Supporting Judicial Management

**TABLE 18**

<b>Name:</b>	
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Judicial Management Manual
<b>Objectives:</b> To provide instruments for and relate useful experiences with designing or redesigning judicial offices focused on meeting the needs of policy makers and those who apply such policies.
<b>Funding source:</b> JSCA
<b>Product:</b> A document that will serve as the basis for a manual, to be entitled "Tools for the Design of Judicial Offices." The document is available online so that JSCA website users may submit comments and suggestions. See <a href="http://www.cejamericas.org">www.cejamericas.org</a> .
<b>Related Activities:</b> The document was presented at the Inter-American Seminar on Judicial Management.

### 3. Other Activities in Fulfillment of JSCA's Key Goals

3.1 *To conduct in-depth studies of justice systems and develop innovative approaches to discussions of judicial reform.*

<b>TABLE 19</b>
<b>Name:</b> Justice Spending
<b>Objectives:</b> This study seeks to provide quantitative information on the budgetary resources of justice sector institutions in the Americas and includes data on executed budgets and budget allocation evolution over the past few years.
<b>Countries or locations:</b> The study aims to cover the entire region.
<b>Funding source:</b> USAID
<b>Products:</b> JSCA has gathered information for this study and is collecting quantitative data.
<b>Results:</b> The study is being implemented and is slated to be finished in March 2006.

3.2 *To promote regional cooperation and the exchange of experiences among key justice sector actors.*

In addition to the courses organized by JSCA and those in which JSCA experts participate as instructors (see above), JSCA staff also participate in a wide range of local and regional events as presenters and speakers. These events serve to disseminate the Center's activities, generate discussions of the ideas we have generated, and strengthen our network of contacts. These additional activities are summarized below:

Chart 3  
SUMMARY OF SEMINARS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES IN WHICH JSCA PARTICIPATED

Activity	JSCA's Role	Location	Date
Special Session of the OAS Permanent Council	Juan Enrique Vargas presented the JSCA Plan of Action.	Washington DC.	January 11
Lunch meeting with the	Attended by Juan	Washington DC.	January 11

American Bar Association	Enrique Vargas.		
Workshop on Internet Searches	Presentation on JSCA by Marco Castillo.	Antofagasta, Chile	January 10-11
Workshop on the Design of Performance Indicators for Justice Projects	Organized by the IDB. Presentation by Juan Enrique Vargas.	Washington DC.	January 12
Workshop on Open Source Software for Libraries	Presentation on JSCA by Marco Castillo.	Temuco, Chile	January 24-25
Project "Promoting Accountability, Independence and Ethics among Prosecutors"	Presentation by Cristián Riego.	Bulgaria	January 28-29
Fundación Carolina Forum on Human Resources Management in the Judicial Branch	Presentation on judicial training by JSCA consultant Andrés Baytelman.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	February 7
Fundación Carolina Forum on Human Resources Management in the Judicial Branch	Presentation by Cristián Hernández.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	February 18
Workshop on the Reform Process in Aguascalientes	Presentation by Cristián Riego.	Aguascalientes, México	February
III Congreso Nacional de Amparo	Presentation by Juan Enrique Vargas.	Michoacán, México	March 10-12
III Congreso Interamericano de Defensorías Públicas and I Congreso de la Asociación Interamericana de Defensorías Públicas (AIDEP)	Presentation by Mauricio Duce and Andrés Baytelman. During the event a workshop was held with 6 representatives of the English-speaking Caribbean, moderated by Mildred Hartmann, JSCA Programs Director. Sponsored by JSCA.	Punta del Este, Uruguay	March 11
Seminar "Judging across Borders: Canadian Judges and International Law"	Attended by Mildred Hartmann.	Canadá	April 6-8
Meeting with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights' Special Rapporteur on Women's Rights	Participants discussed approaches to improving respect for women's rights as well as challenges in the treatment of sex crimes and domestic violence. Mildred Hartmann presented.	Washington, EEUU.	April 19-20
Conference on the Chilean Criminal Procedure Code in Buenos Aires	Lecture by Juan Enrique Vargas. Attended by numerous judicial authorities of Buenos Aires province.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	April 27

Buenos Aires Book Fair	Cristián Riego presented the book published by Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales (CELS)	Buenos Aires, Argentina	April 28
Seminar: "Imagen y Realidad de la Justicia Argentina"	Juan Enrique Vargas attended.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	May 11
Presentation of the Strengthening Project in Mar del Plata	Cristián Riego presented.	Mar del Plata, Argentina	May
6th Annual Conference on Legal & Policy Issues in the Americas	Juan Enrique Vargas presented the preliminary version of the comparative chapter of the Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas 2004-2005. Mauricio Duce participated in the panel discussion of justice systems in Chile, Peru and the U.S.	Gainsville, Florida, EEUU	May 16-17
XXXV General Assembly of the OAS	Juan Enrique Vargas attended. Two members of JSCA Board of Directors were elected at this meeting, and will take office in January 2006. George Thomson was reelected as President of the Board.	Fort Lauderdale, EEUU	June 5-7
Lecture: "La producción del proceso por audiencias"	Presentation by Juan Enrique Vargas.	San José, Costa Rica	July 8
International Forum in the Chamber of Deputies	Presentations by Juan Enrique Vargas and Cristián Riego.	DF., México	June 27-28
Forum: Hacia una reforma de justicia penal: conceptos y metodología de implementación	Presentations by Juan Enrique Vargas and Cristián Riego.	Aguascalientes, México	June 29-30
Fundación Carolina Forum	Presentation by Juan Enrique Vargas on judicial management.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	July 4-5
Asamblea General Extraordinaria Asociación Iberoamericana de Ministerios Públicos	Juan Enrique Vargas attends.	Perú, Lima	July 14-15
Charla de Gestión en Magíster	Juan Enrique Vargas offers a presentation to participants in the Magíster in Criminal Procedure Law Program at the Universidad de Catamarca. Cristián Riego also attends.	Catamarca, Argentina	July 22
Seminar- Workshop: "Los Métodos Alternos de Solución de Conflictos en la Ciudad"	Macarena Vargas presents as a JSCA representative.	Monterrey, México	August 9-13

Internacional del Conocimiento"			
Workshop on Judicial Ethics	Juan Enrique Vargas attends. Organized by the Inter-American Judicial Committee. Rodolfo Vigo attends as a guest of JSCA.	Río de Janeiro, Brazil	August 15
Seminar on Chile's Criminal Procedure Reform and the Media	Ximena Catalán, Director of the JSCA Press and Communications Area, and Andrea Cabezón, an assistant in the same area, attend.	Santiago, Chile	August 17
Closed Workshop: Joint Program on Justice, Security, Community and Economic Development	Juan Enrique Vargas attends.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	August 18
V Reunión Nacional de Capacitación y Actualización Judicial	Inés Marensi presents as a JSCA consultant.	Querétaro, México	August 18-19
National Judicial Institute Course	Mauricio Duce and Cristián Riego attend.	Québec, Canadá	August 21-25
12th Annual Meeting of the Global Legal Information Network	JSCA is a member of GLIN. JSCA Librarian Marco Castillo attends	Washington DC, USA	September 5-9
Seminario Justicia de Género: un desafío estratégico para los derechos humanos de las mujeres en la región	Juan Enrique Vargas presents.	Santiago, Chile	August 23-24
Discussion of Criminal Procedure Reform	Cristián Riego presents. The activity is part of a series of seminars on "The Challenges of Justice" organized by the Argentinean newspaper Clarín.	Bs. As., Argentina	August 31
Introductory Course on Oral Litigation for a New Criminal Procedure	Mauricio Duce presents.	Bariloche, Argentina	September 23-24
EuroSocial Project Methodology Seminar	Mildred Hartmann attends.	Cuernavaca, México	September 27
Jornada de debate por la Reforma Penal	Juan Enrique Vargas presents. The activity is part of a series of seminars on "The Challenges of Justice" organized by the Argentinean newspaper Clarín.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	September 27
Seminar: "Buenas Prácticas para Mejorar la Gestión de los Procesos en la Justicia"	Juan Enrique Vargas presents. Organized by the Argentinean newspaper Clarín.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	September 28-29
XVI Jornadas Científicas de la Magistratura Argentina	Mauricio Duce presents.	Bariloche, Argentina	October 6-8



Presentation for Supreme Court Justices and Members of Parliament	Juan Enrique Vargas presents study on court fees.	Managua, Nicaragua	October 7
Regional Workshop/Conference on Building Indicators for Public Policies on Human Rights in Mercosur	Cristián Hernández presents.	Montevideo, Uruguay	October 12-13
Lecture on CPR in Latin America	Juan Enrique offers a presentation to judges and magistrates from Zacatecas.	Zacatecas, México	October 18
VI Convención Latinoamericana de Derecho	Juan Enrique Vargas presents.	Monterrey, México	October 19
International Conference: Profesionalización de Fiscales y Agentes del Ministerio Público frente a la Reforma Penal en México	Juan Enrique Vargas presents.	Ciudad de México, México	October 19-21
University of Ottawa Law School International Seminar	Juan Enrique Vargas participates.	Ottawa, Canadá	October 22-24
Meeting with members of Brazil's National Justice Council	Cristián Hernández participates and defines a project to be developed for a plan of action for the CNJ.	Brasilia, Brasil	October 24- 25
Ibero-American Forum on Access to Justice	Juan Enrique Vargas and Cristián Riego participate and present the Manual on Public Defense.	Santiago, Chile	October 26-28
Conferencia Internacional de Bibliotecología	JSCA Librarian Marco Castillo participates.	Santiago, Chile	October 27- 28
Lecture in the Legislature of the City of Buenos Aires	Cristián Riego presents on the experiences of the Chilean criminal procedure reform.	Ciudad autónoma de Bs. As., Argentina	November 2
Lecture for the Supreme Court of Peru	Juan Enrique Vargas presents.	Lima, Perú	November 8
Meeting on the design of an observatory for new criminal procedure systems in Colombia	Cristián Riego attends.	Bogotá, Colombia	November 14-15
Executive Program on Judicial Management	Mildred Hartmann attends.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	November 23-26
Workshop and International Seminar: Information at the Service of the Judicial Branch	Juan Enrique Vargas presents.	Buenos Aires, Argentina	November 24-25

TABLE 20

<b>Name:</b> JSCA Internships
<b>Objectives:</b> This program enriches JSCA's work by facilitating the participation of professionals and/or students from various countries in the Americas and, in some cases, other continents. The program allows the Center to create and maintain lasting relationships with local institutions and experts. JSCA offers three types of internships: pro bono, paid and senior.
<b>Funding source:</b> USAID
<b>Results:</b> As of October 2005 the Center had received 98 inquiries regarding applications for internships from individuals in the Americas and Europe. Six of these inquiries led to internships for individuals from Bolivia, Brazil and the United States. Two professionals (from Argentina and Costa Rica) finished the paid internship program that began in 2004 and July saw the launch of the 2005 competition. This year the Center received applications from 123 individuals from 19 countries in the Americas, which represents a 46% increase over 2004. Two professionals (from Colombia and Peru) were selected to take part in the program and joined JSCA in October 2005.

3.3 *To generate and disseminate instruments designed to improve the quality of information on justice in the Americas.*

<b>TABLE 21</b>
<b>Name:</b> JSCA Virtual Information Center (VIC)
<b>Objectives:</b> VIC is the virtual platform through which JSCA makes the information that it generates and gathers on judicial systems available to the regional community. JSCA uses its website to present itself to the world and the countries of the Americas. The site contains all of the documents, research, activities and information that the Center generates.
<b>Funding source:</b> USAID
<b>New Products:</b> This year we created a Virtual Community for JSCA. The first half of the material was submitted at the end of the first trimester of 2005 and the second half was made available at the end of the year. The changes include a new graphic design, organization of subscribers and registered users according to area of interest, an Intranet system, and the redesign of the site's main modules. Another key development is an advanced search engine that produces more accurate, precise and efficient results.
<b>Results:</b> JSCA users have responded well to the new website according to the survey that we distributed earlier this year. Those who had used the website before and after the change stated that the new site is much more user friendly, is easier to navigate and has a much more efficient and easy to use search engine. A total of 142,000 hits were registered on the JSCA website in 2005.

<b>TABLE 22</b>
<b>Name:</b> JSCA Virtual Library
<b>Objective:</b> To offer information on justice-related issues in general and justice reform in OAS member countries in particular by providing access to legislation, case law, articles and other texts on these topics.
<b>Funding source:</b> USAID
<b>Developments:</b> In January 2005 the Global Legal Information Network (GLIN) launched a new website that includes a new

search interface and access to full text legislation for over twenty countries in the Americas. As a GLIN member, JSCA has unlimited access to this information.

**Results:**

A total of 789 research documents, reports and online papers and more than 74 legislation related documents were added to the library this year. In addition, 256 volumes were added to JSCA's physical library, as well as 45 journal titles and 32 CD ROMs. The Virtual Library received 4,467 visits by mid-November. The search engine is now faster and more efficient. In a JSCA survey 55% of respondents stated that the new system is efficient, 15% stated that it is faster, and 26% found it easy to use.

**TABLE 23**

**Name:**

Nexus Newsletter

**Objectives:**

Nexus Newsletter is designed to help us reach our external audiences by offering a summary of news related to justice reform and modernization processes in the Americas, presenting information on related events, and serving as a resources for the individuals and institutions who are involved or interested in these topics.

**Funding source:**

USAID

**Products:**

Twelve new issues of the newsletter were published this year. At mid-year we changed our format to reflect the corporate lines of the JSCA website.

We also published two special issues of Nexus in French and Portuguese, which were made available in November and December, respectively.

**Results:**

The number of newsletter subscriptions has increased to 6,167 (3,820 for the Spanish edition and 2,347 for the English edition), which represents an 8% jump over the previous year.

**TABLE 24**

**Name:**

Judicial Systems Journal

**Objectives:**

The journal is a joint publication of JSCA and INECIP. Its purpose is to promote the discussion and exchange of information and experiences regarding justice in the Americas and to serve as a channel for publicizing JSCA products and activities and those of the networks with which the Center works.

**Funding source:**

USAID

**Products:**

Two new issues of the journal were published this year. The first, which went out in January, focused on the "Possibilities and Limits of the Comparison of Judicial Systems in the Americas" and presented various JSCA comparative studies. The issue on "Attorneys and Legal Education" appeared in September.

The dissemination strategy has remained unchanged. For example, we sent out a mailing designed to encourage subscriptions for 2005. In addition, we generated a database of 5,000 contacts in libraries, centers and various organizations in the area of justice in every country in the Americas, paying special attention to institutions in the United States and Canada.

**Results:**

A total of 143 copies of the journal were sold in 2005, and subscriptions increased from 16 to 51.

This year the number of request for publications exchanges with law school and university libraries and other institutions remained unchanged. There are currently exchanges with eight institutions and we are negotiating agreements with several others.

<b>TABLE 25</b>	
<b>Name:</b>	JSCA Publications
<b>Objectives:</b>	JSCA uses print versions of its publications to reach an audience that does not have consistent access to an efficient Internet system in order to download the documents that we offer online. JSCA presents a limited number of print copies of some of its studies. The material is distributed free of charge throughout the region (recipients cover shipping charges).
<b>Funding Sources:</b>	CIDA, USAID
<b>Products:</b>	This year JSCA presented a three volume set on criminal procedure reform in Latin America. The first volume, <i>Reformas Procesales Penales en América Latina: Resultados del Proyecto de Seguimiento</i> , contains the comparative reports of each of the three stages of the JSCA studies as well as ten country reports. The second volume, <i>Reformas Procesales en América Latina: Discusiones Locales</i> , brings together studies on implementation processes that were carried out in ten countries. The authors of said studies are students from the first version of the Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform. The third and final volume, <i>Reformas Procesales Penales en América Latina: Experiencias de Innovación</i> , offers three studies of ongoing experiences in Ecuador and Bolivia, where new systems are being incorporated in keeping with the teachings of the above-mentioned training program. Volume Three is available in English and Spanish. This year also saw the publication of a limited number of print copies of the Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas 2004-2005 in Spanish and English.
<b>Results:</b>	We have received ninety-three requests from thirteen countries for the collection on criminal procedure reform. The publication was distributed to sixty people during a JSCA activity in Chile that featured the participation of Chilean authorities from such agencies as the Ministry of Justice and Supreme Court as well as representatives of the Canadian and Spanish Embassies. The publication was also distributed at the Ibero-American Forum on Access to Justice, which was also held in Santiago. The Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas has been distributed throughout the region through mass mailings and responses to individual requests.

#### 4. 2005 Plan of Action: Goals Met

Below is an outline of the status of the activities that were included in the 2005 Plan of Action.

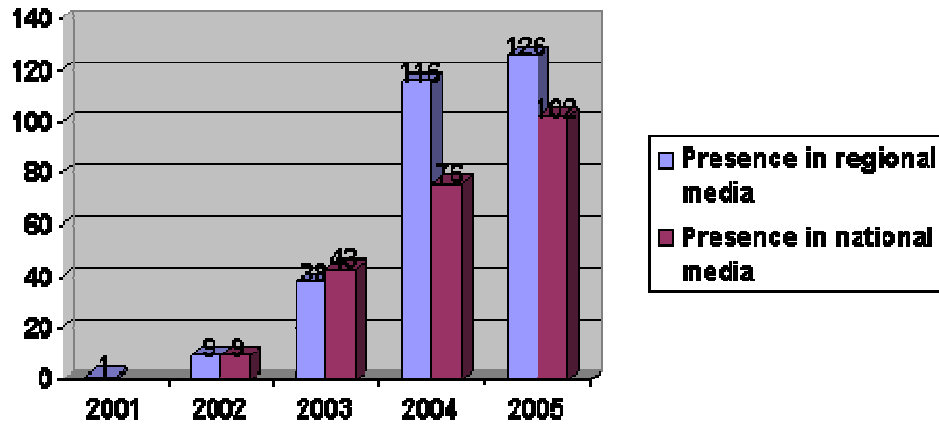
<b>Activities Planned for 2005</b>	<b>Status</b>
<b>1. Support for Criminal Justice Reform</b>	
<i>1.1 Pilot Program</i>	Held. SEE TABLE 1. ALSO SEE TABLE 11.
<i>1.2 Research</i>	TABLES 2-8.
a) Criminal Prosecution	Held. SEE TABLE 8.
b) Follow-up Study on Criminal Justice Systems	Held. SEE TABLES 2 AND 3.
c) Evaluation of Chilean Criminal Procedure Reform	Held. SEE TABLE 5.
d) Public Defense Manual	Held. SEE TABLE 7.
<i>1.3 Training</i>	
a) Inter-American Program for Training Trainers for Criminal Procedure Reform	Held. SEE GRAPH 1, TABLE 9.
b) Other Training Activities	SEE CHARTS 1 AND 2.

1.4 <i>Inter-American Seminars</i>	Held. TABLES 12, 13 AND 14.
<b>2. Development of Judicial Information and Management Systems</b>	
2.1 <i>Strengthening Judicial Information Systems</i>	
a) Development of Information Systems	SEE TABLE 15
b) Judicial Indicators for Central America	
c) Report on Judicial Systems in the Americas (2004-2005)	SEE TABLE 17
d) Index of Online Access to Judicial Information	SEE TABLE 16
2.2 <i>Management</i>	
a) Technical Assistance in the Management Area	SEE TABLES 15 AND 1.
b) Third Inter-American Seminar on Judicial Management	SEE TABLE 12.
c) Judicial Management Manual	In development on the basis of the document drafted for the seminar on judicial management. SEE TABLE 18
<b>3. Other Activities in Fulfillment of JSCA's Key Goals</b>	
3.1 <i>To conduct in-depth studies of justice systems and develop innovative approaches to the discussion of judicial reform.</i>	
a) Inter-American Principles of Judicial Ethics	An initial workshop was held with the Inter-American Judicial Committee, and one of its six members was charged with drafting a first Session.
b) Judicial Government Systems	Upcoming issue of Judicial Systems Journal on this topic and the organization of an international seminar on this issue in cooperation with Fundación Carolina. The seminar will be held next year in Argentina.
c) Justice Spending	SEE TABLE 19.
d) Civil Justice	SEE TABLE 13.
3.2 <i>To promote regional cooperation and the exchange of experiences among key justice sector actors.</i>	
a) Participation in Regional and International Seminars	SEE CHART 3.
b) Expansion of E-learning Platform	SEE TABLE 10.
c) Internship Program	SEE TABLE 20.
3.3 <i>To generate and disseminate instruments that improve information on justice in the Americas</i>	
a) Sitio web	SEE TABLE 21.
b) Virtual Library	SEE TABLE 22.
c) Nexus Newsletter	SEE TABLE 23.
d) Judicial Systems Journal	SEE TABLE 24.
e) Publications	SEE TABLE 25.

APPENDIX:

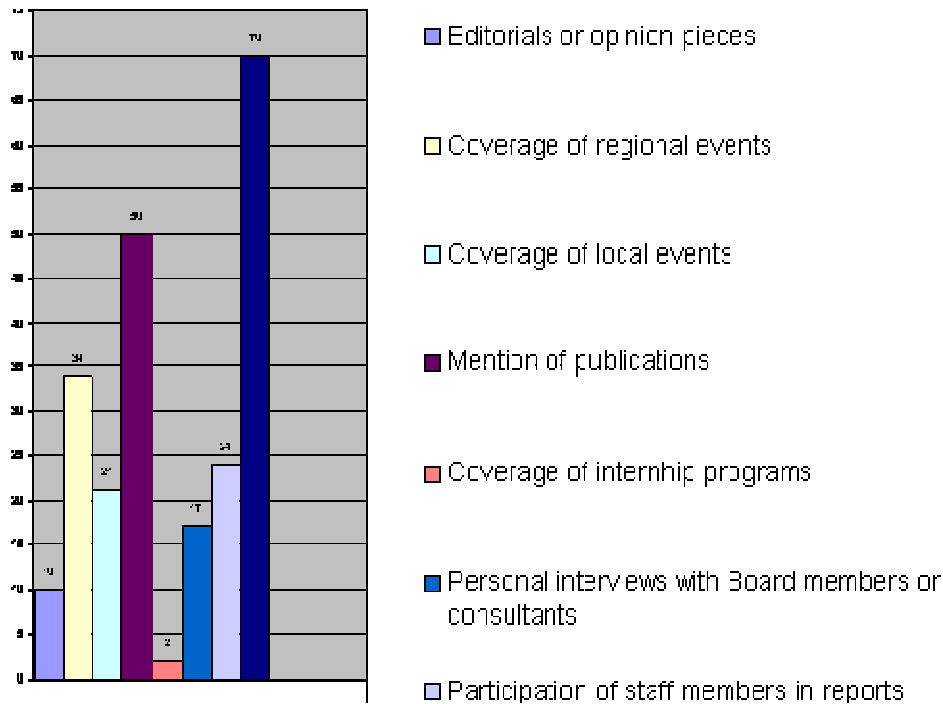
Map of JSCA's Annual Communications Strategy

a) JSCA's Presence in the Regional and National Media 2001- 2005



Editorials or opinion pieces	10
Coverage of regional events	34
Coverage of local events	21
Mention of JSCA publications	50
Coverage of JSCA internship programs	2
Personal interviews with JSCA staff members	17
Participation of JSCA staff members in reports or investigations	24
Regional and local news reports that mention JSCA	70

b) Classification of JSCA-Related Coverage - 2005



c) Coverage of JSCA Events in the Regional and Local Media

**OCTOBER**

*III Inter-American Seminar on Judicial Management: Judicial Office Management Models: Experiences and Guidelines for Their Design, Implementation and Operation*

- o El Nuevo Diario, Nicaragua, October 1, 2005
- o Agencia Notifax, Nicaragua, October 5, 2005
- o El Nuevo Diario, Nicaragua, October 7, 2005
- o La Prensa, Nicaragua, October 3, 2005
- o Bolsa de Noticias, Nicaragua, October 3, 2005

*XVI Jornadas Científicas de la Magistratura. Organized by the Federación Argentina de la Magistratura, Colegio de Magistrados and the Colegio de Magistrados y funcionarios del Poder Judicial de la Provincia de Río Negro. Mauricio Duce participates.*

- o Diario El Ciudadano, Bariloche, Argentina, October 7, 2005
- o Colegio de Magistrados y funcionarios de la Provincia de Río Negro, Argentina, October 7, 2005
- o Diario Río Negro, Argentina, October 8, 2005
- o Diario Pregón, San Salvador de Jujuy, Argentina, October 24, 2005

*Discussion series on "The Challenges of Justice," held in Argentina.*

- o Diario Clarín, Argentina, October 2, 2005
- o Diario Clarín, Argentina, October 1, 2005

*Ibero-American Forum on Access to Justice, held in Chile.*

- o Diario La Segunda, Chile, October 25, 2005
- o PNUD, Chile, October 9, 2005
- o Ministerio de Justicia, Chile, October 26, 2005
- o Corporación de Asistencia Judicial Valparaíso, Chile, October 14, 2005

## SEPTEMBER

*Launch of JSCA series on "Criminal Procedure Reform in Latin America" held at JSCA headquarters on September 8.*

- o La Segunda, Chile, September 8, 2005
- o El Mercurio, Chile, September 9, 2005
- o Revista ANP, Chile, September 12, 2005
- o Diario Siete, Chile, September 6, 2005
- o Vida Social, Diario El Mercurio, Chile, September 18, 2005
- o Diario Siete, Chile, September 6, 2005
- o Semana Jurídica, Chile, September 19, 2005
- o Teletrece Cable, Canal 13, Chile, September 8, 2005
- o Radio Chilena, Chile, September 9, 2005
- o Programa En Confianza, TVO, September 1, 2005
- o TVN, September 26, 2005
- o Programa Terapia Chilensis, Radio Duna, Chile, September 30, 2005
- o Radio Chilena, September 9, 2005

*Discussion series on "The Challenges of Justice," held in Argentina.*

- o Diario Clarín, Argentina, September 29, 2005
- o Diario Clarín, Argentina, September 28, 2005

## AUGUST

*Pilot project on training for oral pre-trial hearings in Mar del Plata organized by the Argentine Commission on Orality in the Judicial Branch with JSCA's support.*

- o Diario Jurídico, Argentina, August 3, 2005
- o El Siglo Web, Argentina, August 9, 2005
- o Portal Todo Mar del Plata, Argentina, August 12, 2005
- o El Mercurio, Chile, August 22, 2005
- o Clarín, Argentina, August 30, 2005

## JULY

*Pilot project on training for oral pre-trial hearings in Mar del Plata organized by the Argentine Commission on Orality in the Judicial Branch with JSCA's support.*

- o Diario Hoy, Argentina, July 25, 2005
- o Diario Clarín, Argentina, July 25, 2005
- o Diario Judicial, Argentina, July 25, 2005
- o Diario El Clarín, Argentina, July 25, 2005
- o Diario ABC, Argentina, July 26, 2005
- o Diario El Comercio online, Argentina, July 26, 2005
- o Diario La Unión, Argentina, July 26, 2005
- o Diario La Voz del Interior, Córdoba, Argentina, July 27, 2005
- o Diario Página 12, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario El Clarín, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario La Voz del Interior, Córdoba, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Portal Página 12, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario El Sol, Buenos Aires, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario La Capital, Mar del Plata, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario Hoy, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario Hoy, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Portal Terra, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Info Región, Buenos Aires, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario La Calle, Entre Ríos, Argentina, July 28, 2005
- o Diario Hoy, Argentina, July 28, 2005

## JUNE

*Pilot project on training for oral pre-trial hearings in Mar del Plata organized by the Argentine Commission on Orality in the Judicial Branch with JSCA's support.*



- o Portal Poder Judicial, Argentina, June 15, 2005
- o Diario Hoy, Argentina, June 23, 2005
- o Diario Capital, Mar del Plata, Argentina, June 24, 2005
- o Diario Capital, Mar del Plata, Argentina, June 24, 2005
- o Diario El Atlántico, Mar del Plata, Argentina, June 24, 2005

*Event for updating journalists on criminal procedure reform organized by JSCA.*

- o Diario Semana Jurídica, Chile, June 13, 2005

*Seminar to launch the book "Litigación Penal, Juicio Oral y Prueba" by Mauricio Duce and Andrés Baytelman.*

- o Boletín Universidad Diego Portales, Chile, June 23, 2005

*Training event for public defenders and prosecutors from Santiago held at the Public Defender's Office. Mauricio Duce and Cristián Riego participated.*

- o Portal de la Defensoría, Chile, June 16, 2005

## **MAY**

*Visit of delegation of Haitian judges for training at Chilean universities. Meeting at JSCA headquarters with academics.*

- o Radio Cooperativa, Chile, May 4, 2005
- o Diario La Semana Jurídica, Chile, May 9, 2005
- o Diario El Día, IV Región Chile, May 9, 2005

*End of course on Instruments for Implementing an Oral and Accusatory System organized by JSCA.*

- o Diario La Semana Jurídica, Chile, May 1, 2005

## **APRIL**

*Distribution of Index of Online Access to Judicial Information developed by JSCA*

- o Diario Electrónico Alfa-redi, Argentina, April, 2005
- o Portal La Brecha Digital, April, 2005
- o Diario Judicial, Argentina, April 19, 2005
- o Diario Houston Chronicle, April 28, 2005
- o Diario Costa Rica Hoy, April 28, 2005
- o Diario El Día, Costa Rica, April 28, 2005
- o Diario La Prensa de Honduras, April 29, 2005
- o Portal APC.org, Monitor Políticas Tic y Derechos en Internet en América Latina y el Caribe, April 29, 2005
- o Portal La Palma, Interactivo, April 29, 2005
- o Portal Cumbre Mundial de la Sociedad de la Información, Colombia, April 28, 2005
- o Portal Patagónica Legal, Argentina, April 28, 2005
- o Diario Semana Jurídica, Chile, April 24, 2005
- o Diario La Realidad Judicial, Argentina, April, 2005
- o Portal Mundo Hispánico, April, 2005
- o Corte Suprema de Costa Rica, April 28, 2005
- o Ministerio Público de Perú, April 28, 2005
- o RPRA COLUMBIA, Costa Rica, April 28, 2005
- o Medio: ECO NEWS, Costa Rica, April 28, 2005
- o Medio: TELENOTICIAS, Costa Rica, April 28, 2005

## **MARCH**

*Visit to Talca for officials from Mar del Plata organized by JSCA.*

- o Diario Electrónico VI.cl, Chile, March 3, 2005
- o La Defensoría, Talca, Chile, March 4, 2005

*Tercer Congreso Nacional de Amparo, México. Attended by Juan Enrique Vargas.*

- o Diario Mi Morelia.com, Michoacán, Mexico, March 12, 2005

*Visit by officials from Buenos Aires organized by JSCA.*

- o Diario El Mostrador, Chile, March 22, 2005
- o Diario Semana Jurídica, Chile, March 28, 2005

## **FEBRUARY**

*IIIº Congreso Nacional del Amparo. March 10-12, 2005. Mexico. Activity sponsored by JSCA.*

- o Gobierno del Estado de Michoacán, México, February, 2005

*Visit to Talca for officials from Mar del Plata organized by JSCA.*

- o Diario El Gong, Temuco Chile, February 28, 2005
- o Diario La Prensa, Chile, February 28, 2005

## **JANUARY**

*Visit from the Prosecutor of Buenos Aires, Luis Chichizola, to the Regional Public Defender's Office in Chile's Ninth Region for cooperation agreement signed to support criminal procedure reform process in Buenos Aires.*

- o Diario El Gong, Temuco Chile, January 18, 2005
- o Defensoría, Chile, January 18, 2005
- o La Novena, Chile, January 18, 2005

*Visit of Argentine delegation of judges, prosecutors and public defenders organized by JSCA. Meeting with Chile's National Public Defender Rodrigo Quintana.*

- o Defensoría, Chile, January 20, 2005

*IIIº Congreso Nacional de Amparo, Morelia- México, January 27, 2005. Held by JSCA and other agencies.*

- o México, Diario Cambio de Michoacán, January 28, 2005
- o Morelia, Mexico, MiMorelia website