Bio: Oliver Stolpe

Oliver Stolpe has been serving as UNODC’s Representative in Nigeria since late 2018.

He joined UNODC in 1999 as an anti-corruption expert and helped in establishing its Global Programme against Corruption as well as its Stolen Asset Recovery Initiative where he served as Senior Legal Advisor from 2012-2014. He held the position of Chief of the Conference Support Section in the Corruption and Economic Crimes Branch from 2014-2016 supporting COSP and its subsidiary bodies as well as State parties in their participation in the UNCAC implementation review mechanism. From 2016 to 2018, he was tasked with establishing and launching the implementation of the Doha Programme.

Oliver has been supporting the Nigerian Government almost continuously since 2000 through a variety of projects and programmes aimed at strengthening integrity in the justice sector, building the capacity of the anti-corruption bodies, and recovering the proceeds of corruption. He served in Nigeria from 2008 to 2011 first as Senior Programme Manager of an EU funded project aimed at enhancing the capacity of the Economic and Financial Crimes Commission and later as UNODC Representative a.i.

Oliver holds a PhD in Law of the University of Würzburg in Germany with a thesis focusing on Strategies against Organized Crime – Asset Recovery and Anti-Money Laundering in the fight against Mafia type organizations.