September 2020

THOUGHTS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Joan Africans

On August 16, 2020, I attended the CINA Science Committee meeting to hear about the "Impact of COVID-19 Pandemic on Gangs," presented by Cecilia Torres, Ph.D., a professor of criminal justice and sociology, and the CINA Science Committee Member, and the Omer L. and Nancy Hirst Endowed Chair at George Mason University. During this meeting, Cecilia and her team highlighted the significance of criminal organizations that serve as conduits for money laundering. The talk was particularly timely and informative, as it discussed how credit card transactions have increasingly become a conduit for money laundering. The talk also emphasized the importance of understanding the dynamics between criminal organizations and their role in facilitating transnational crime.

New Research

CINA Open RFP 20-21

The Evolution of Human Trafficking During the COVID-19 Pandemic - CINA Science Committee

September 18, 2020, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

As we continue to navigate the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, it is crucial to understand its impact on human trafficking. The CINA Science Committee's event, "The Evolution of Human Trafficking During the COVID-19 Pandemic," aims to provide insights into how this global crisis has affected human trafficking networks and the strategies employed by traffickers. The event features a panel of experts who will discuss the latest research and share their perspectives on the future of human trafficking in the post-pandemic world.

NCIS Special Agent

Criminal Investigations and Network Analysis (CINA)

CINA Phenomenon of Crime Analysis

September 22, 2020, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

This event focuses on the phenomenon of crime analysis, exploring the various techniques and methodologies used to analyze criminal behavior and patterns. The discussion will cover the latest advancements in crime analysis and how they can be applied to prevent and mitigate criminal activities.

Meet the Eastern New Mexico University CINA Summer Research Team

Omar Camarillo

Omar Camarillo, a promising alternative to policing high-crime streets

September 23, 2020, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

Omar Camarillo, a professor of criminal justice and sociology, will share his research findings on the effectiveness of alternative policing strategies to combat high-crime streets. His insights will provide valuable information for policymakers and law enforcement agencies.

Events

Virtual Event/ Finding Trafficking Networks in Online Commercial Sex Ads - CINA Science Committee

September 30, 2020, 12:00pm - 1:30pm

This virtual event will explore the challenges and opportunities in identifying and dismantling online trafficking networks in the context of commercial sex ads. Participants will have the opportunity to network with experts and discuss strategies for addressing this critical issue.

Research Project Agility

On August 4, 2020, we held our CINA Annual Meeting under these "new normal" circumstances. The meeting addressed the impact of the pandemic on criminal networks and the necessity of research project agility.

The meeting highlighted the importance of research project agility, stressing the need for researchers to adapt to changing environments and pivot quickly, not only surviving but thriving in the face of adversity. The meeting concluded with a call to action for researchers to embrace new strategies and technologies to enhance the effectiveness of their research.

The CINA Science Committee

The CINA Science Committee is committed to advancing the understanding of criminal investigations and network analysis. Our mission is to foster research and collaboration among researchers, practitioners, and policymakers to improve the effectiveness of law enforcement and homeland security.

Open RFP 20-21

We are currently accepting applications for our Open RFP 20-21, aimed at fostering research and collaboration in the field of criminal investigations and network analysis.

For more information or to submit a proposal, please visit our website or contact us directly.