Wildlife Investigators Training Alliance

Capabilities Statement

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-About Us-

Wildlife Investigators Training Alliance is a US 501(c)(3) non-governmental organization that works across the world with partners and governments to fight illegal wildlife trafficking (IWT). WITA provides training and consulting services to wildlife law enforcement agencies to investigate and prosecute IWT. We are an international group of dedicated, experienced wildlife criminal investigators, officers, and biologists who bring a lifetime of applied wildlife crime investigation to fighting the exploitation of the world's most vulnerable natural resources.

We empower Game Rangers, Wildlife Police Officers, Investigators, Prosecutors, and Judges with specialized skills, techniques, and equipment to conduct value chain investigations to successfully prosecute persons and organizations who traffic in wildlife and their parts. WITA's immersive approach incorporates proven strategies and innovative techniques.

Our trainings combine traditional classroom learning with reality-based scenario and practical exercises to ensure understanding and competency.

-Vision-

We envision thriving and enduring
global wildlife populations
protected with integrity by
highly trained, fully resourced
law enforcement authorities and judicial systems

-Values -



Guardianship	Inclusion	Integrity	Local Leadership	The Rule of Law	Intentional Action
Our natural world has intrinsic value, to be held in public trust, protected and improved for future generations.	We embrace the unique contributions and recognize and celebrate the diversity of all individuals.	We act with integrity, always, in law enforcement, wildlife science, and human relations.	Effective local leadership promotes long-term solutions	Building local capacity wildlife law enforcement supports the global rule of law.	Thoughtful curiosity, communication, and collaboration are the foundations of success

-Differentiators-

COMMITMENT: Our instructors are lifelong conservation law enforcement officers, lawyers, and investigators.

EXPERIENCE: We have successfully trained over 2,500 government officials who combat illegal wildlife trafficking in Africa and North America.

FLEXIBILITY: We deploy a cadre of effective educators and consultants with experience in illegal wildlife and other transnational crimes, as well as wildlife management, conflict mitigation and community engagement.

CONNECTION: We connect with participants due to shared experience, ensuring long-term partnerships and ongoing assistance.

-Recipients & Collaborators-

- Malawi Dept. of National Parks & Wildlife
- Malawi Police Service
- Malawi Anti-Corruption Bureau
- Malawi Law Society
- Zambia Dept. of National Parks & Wildlife
- Zambia Prosecution Authority
- Nigeria National Parks Service
- Nature Crime Alliance
- Lusaka Agreement Task Force
- Wildlife Crime Prevention
- John Jay College of Criminal Justice (CUNY)
- Natural Resources Conservation Network
- Attorney General Alliance – Africa
- US -National Marine Fisheries Service
- Uganda Wildlife Authority
- Uganda Directorate of Public Prosecution
- Uganda Police Force
- Conserv Congo
- International Fund for Animal Welfare
- INTERPOL Wildlife Crime Working Group

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Courses, Modules & Certifications

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-Courses-

- Analytical Investigations
- Anti-Corruption
- Case Management & Preparation for Court
- Cellular Mapping for Investigators
- Communicating About IWT
- Community Engagement
- Community Policing
- Competency Demonstrations
- Concepts In IWT Value Chain Investigations
- Concepts Of Cellular Mapping
- Concepts Of Digital Evidence Seizure & Management
- Concepts Of Special Operations for First Responders & Prosecutors
- Court Testimony
- Cover Teams
- Covert Techniques
- Crime Scene Processing
- Crime Science
- Digital Device Forensics for Practitioners
- DNA Forensics for Law Enforcement
- Field Firearm Forensics
- First Aid & CPR
- First Responder Safety, Threat Assessment, & De-Escalation
- GPS & Mapping for First Responders
- GPS & Mapping for Investigations & Prosecution
- Human Rights
- Human Wildlife Conflict & IWT
- Informant Management
- Intelligence Management
- International Laws, Policies & Perspectives in IWT
- Interview & Interrogation
- Investigative Records & Documentation
- Investigator Safety
- Investigator–Prosecutor Collaboration
- Investigator-Ranger Intelligence Chain
- IWT Supply Chains
- IWT Value Chain Investigations
- Leadership in Wildlife Law Enforcement
- Local Topics by Local Experts
- Necropsy Best Practices for First Responders
- Open-Source Investigative Tools
- Physical Evidence Seizure, Management, Storage, and Disposition
- Physical Surveillance
- Psychological Considerations for Wildlife Law Enforcement & Investigators
- Report & Warrant Writing
- Social Media & Digital Footprints
- Special Investigative Operations
- Technical Investigative Equipment
- Time of Death Estimation
- Trade Speak, IWT Supply Chains, & Current Markets
- Use of Force Principles
- Wildlife Fraud & Financial Crimes

-MODULES -

- Advanced Wildlife Investigative Techniques
- IWT Investigations for Frontline First Responders
- Human Rights & Governance
- Value Chain Investigations
- Physical Evidence Management
- Covert Operations
- Training of Trainers
- Digital Device Forensics
- Spatial Evidence Management & Application
- Investigator-Informed Prosecutions & Prosecutor-Informed Investigations
- Leadership in Conservation Justice
- Women & IWT
- Law Enforcement Safety & Well-Being

-Certifications -

- Digital Evidence Forensic Operator
- First Aid & CPR
- Covert Investigations Operator
- Physical Evidence Management
- First Responder IWT Investigations
- Collaborative Enforcement, Investigations & Prosecutions
- IWT Value Chain Investigator I & II
- Judicial Leadership in Combating IWT

WITA is a US 501(c)(3) non-profit conservation organization with bases of operation in US, Kenya, and Zambia.

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