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VI. Technical assistance

1. A panellist from the StAR Initiative presented technical assistance activities carried out by the Initiative in 2020 and 2021. That assistance had taken different forms, including legislative drafting, the enhancement of domestic inter-agency coordination mechanisms and the facilitation of international cooperation. In addition, he highlighted recently published and forthcoming knowledge products created by the StAR Initiative. Other panellists described their countries' experience in receiving technical assistance to boost their asset recovery capacities. The panellists commended UNODC and the StAR Initiative on their role as the main technical assistance providers in that area.
2. Some speakers highlighted that, despite the positive impact of technical assistance in asset recovery, States parties continued to face serious challenges. It was pointed out that those challenges undermined countries' economic development. It was recommended that technical assistance be enhanced in relation to international cooperation in asset recovery.
3. A speaker from INTERPOL presented his organization's tools and activities related to international cooperation in asset recovery and anti-corruption efforts, including the INTERPOL/StAR Global Focal Point Network on Asset Recovery.
4. Further information on the discussion regarding technical assistance can be found in the report of the Implementation Review Group on its resumed twelfth session and the report of the tenth open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation under the Convention.

