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JUSTICE RESPONSE TO OFFENCES RELATING TO
CULTURAL PROPERTY**

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**SESSION I. PROSECUTION OF DAMAGE, DESTRUCTION AND ILLICIT
TRAFFICKING OF CULTURAL PROPERTY**

The importance of criminal response to crimes against cultural property

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- Abstract -

The Nicosia Convention involves a challenge to achieve a more efficient prevention and prosecution of attacks on cultural property, giving special attention to crimes related to various terrorist objectives and in the case of armed conflicts. With this main objective, the Convention makes specific use of criminal legal instruments and the corresponding international cooperation, without prejudice to the fact that other protection resources can also be considered.