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What follows is an expanded, lightly footnoted version of a lecture Dr. Markus Zimmer delivered on February 17, 2011 as part of the Ohio Northern University Pettit College of Law Dean's Lecture Series.

Portions of the substantive narrative contained in this Article are based on Dr. Zimmer's work as an international advisor to justice and judicial system leaders in the four countries the article explores. Since 1992, he met with and counseled leaders in 29 countries on all major continents. In the past four years, projects have taken him to the Emirate of Abu Dhabi, Republic of Georgia, Ukraine, Kingdom of Saudi Arabia, Republic of Iraq, Cambodia, and the Republic of Indonesia. He was UN Court Management Evaluator/Advisor at the Khmer Rouge War Crimes Tribunal; Member, Program Management Office of the Abu Dhabi Government Restructuring Committee as Project Manager for Commercial Courts Modernization; Deputy Chief of Party of the Ukraine Rule of Law Project; Chief of Court Management at the UN International Criminal Tribunal for the Former Yugoslavia in the Hague, Netherlands. He served as an executive and manager in the federal courts of the U.S. for 30 years. Zimmer holds B.A. and M.A. degrees from the University of Utah, Ed.M. and Ed.D. degrees from Harvard University. He was a Fulbright Scholar at the University of Zurich. He currently serves on the ABA International Trial Observation Task Force. Zimmer is a member of the *Utrecht Law Review* Scientific Council. He is founding President of the International Association for Court Administration and currently chairs its Advisory Council. He also is the Executive Editor of the *International Journal for Court Administration*.