

LAWYERS ALERT PARTNERS WITH THE OPEN SOCIETY INITIATIVE FOR WEST AFRICA (OSIWA) TOWARDS THE DECRIMINALIZATION OF PETTY ACTS IN NIGERIA.

Lawyers Alert is pleased to announce its partnership with Open Society Initiative for West Africa (OSIWA) under a renewal project titled “***Deepening efforts at Decriminalization of Petty Offences in Nigeria***”.

The project seeks to ensure criminal justice, sanction and law reform aimed at decriminalization of petty offences in Nigeria.

The overall project objective is a criminal justice system devoid of petty offences in Nigeria.

The project-specific objectives include;

1. To ensure data gathering and publication of scientific findings towards evidence-based advocacy for the decriminalization of petty offences in Nigeria.
2. To provide legal representation to persons accused of petty offences and continuous strategic impact litigation.
3. To facilitated synergy in advocacy efforts of petty offences actors.
4. To create awareness in project states on the Advisory Opinion of the African Court on Decriminalization of Petty Offences.

Roseline Oghenebrume, Director Programs of Lawyers Alert believes that this intervention and partnership with OSIWA will in the long run result in the absence of petty offences in Nigeria.