His Honour Judge Michael Hopmeier is a Circuit Judge sitting at Southwark Crown Court, London, United Kingdom, specialising in serious economic crime and asset recovery (confiscating the proceeds of crime) cases. He has been appointed as an Honorary Visiting Professor of Law at City, University of London and as Honorary Professor of Law at the University of the West Indies, Jamaica. He is a Bencher of Middle Temple and holds degrees from Oxford and London Universities. He is a Diversity and Community Relations Judge in the UK.

In 2017 he was appointed Director of the Long and Complex Trials Course at the UK Judicial College and regularly trains Judges and Prosecutors on asset recovery. In 2018 he was appointed to the Advisory Editorial Board of Blackstones' Criminal Practice. In 2018 he was appointed as a member of the Advisory Committee to the International Justice Partnership, York University, Toronto, Canada. He is an editor of Halsburys Laws of England on the Chapter on Money-laundering.

Since 2008, he has regularly trained and lectured to Judges and Prosecutors overseas on aspects of fighting economic crime, fraud, corruption, money-laundering and on asset recovery. In 2018, 2019 and 2020 he has lectured and trained Judges and Prosecutors in Strasbourg, Guyana, Germany (X3), Malta, Jamaica, Romania, Kenya, Spain, Sri Lanka (X2), Argentina (x2), Israel, Bulgaria, Croatia, Serbia, Ukraine, Latvia, Kosovo and Belgium.

He is a joint Editor of Millington and Sutherland Williams on "The Proceeds of Crime" (5th Edition) published by Oxford University Press, February 2018 and author of a Guide to Restraint and Confiscation published by the UK Judicial College in January 2020.

Details of lectures/ training etc. since January 2018:-

January 2018 Course Director and Speaker at the Long and Complex Trials Course, Judicial College, Warwick, England

February 2018 Expert participant in round table meeting on "Council of Europe Cooperation Activities against Economic Crime", Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France

February 2018 Keynote speaker at ACE team leaders seminar for Crown Prosecution Service Financial Investigators, London.

May 2018 Keynote speaker and trainer at AML/CFT/CVE workshop for Judges and Prosecutors, Georgetown, Guyana.

May 2018 Lecture to students at City, London University on recent developments in restraint and confiscation.

May 2018 Guest Speaker and Chair at Young Fraud Lawyers Association Spring Educational Seminar on Asset Recovery and Unexplained Wealth Orders.

June 2018 Speaker at ERA Conference on the Freezing, Confiscation and Recovery of Assets, Trier, Germany.

June 2018 Speaker and trainer at EJTN (European Judicial Training Network) seminar on Economic Crimes, Asset Recovery and Confiscation in the EU, Valletta, Malta.

June 2018 Speaker on Judicial Independence and Diversity at University of West Indies Mona Law's 4th Annual symposium on Law, Governance and Society, Kingston, Jamaica.

June 2018 Speaker and Trainer at Judicial and Prosecutors Seminar on Money Laundering and Asset Recovery, National Institute of Magistracy, Bucharest, Romania.

September 2018 Speaker/Panel Chair, at the 36th International Symposium on Economic Crime, Jesus College, Cambridge, UK.

November 2018 Speaker on Effective Asset Recovery in the EU, at the 12th Annual European AML and Financial Crime Conference, AMLP Forum, London, England.

November 2018 Speaker and trainer at OECD International Academy for Tax Crime on Investigation .Asset Recovery: Freezing and Seizing Assets, Nairobi, Kenya.

November 2018 Speaker and trainer at EJTN (European Judicial Training Network) seminar on Economic Crimes, Asset Recovery and Confiscation in the EU, Madrid, Spain.

December 2018 Chair and Speaker at ECLA UK (European Criminal Lawyers Association) seminar on European Investigation Orders, Institute of Advanced Legal Studies, London, England.

December 2018 Keynote Speaker at Sri Lanka Judges Institute Symposium on Proceeds of Crime and Case Management, US Department of Justice and British High Commission, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

January 2019 Course Director and Speaker at the Long and Complex Trials Course, Judicial College, Warwick, England

February 2019 Speaker and Trainer at OECD International Academy for Tax Crime on Investigation and Asset Recovery: Freezing and Seizing Assets, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

March 2019 Speaker at FATF/MoneyVal international high level experts' meeting on cross-border conviction based asset recovery, Tel Aviv, Israel.

March 2019 Speaker and Trainer at the Sentencing and Confiscation Course, Judicial College, Warwick, England

April 2019 Lecture at City Law School, University of London, on a Judicial perspective to recent developments in Money laundering and the Confiscation of criminal assets.

April 2019 Speaker/ trainer at Bulgarian National Institute of Justice Seminar on the European Framework on freezing and confiscation in criminal cases, Sofia, Bulgaria.

May 2019 Speaker and trainer at EJTN (European Judicial Training Network) seminar on Economic Crimes, Asset Recovery and Confiscation in the EU, Brussels, Belgium.

June 2019 Speaker on challenges in countering white-collar crime within the context of money laundering, confiscation and market manipulation at ERA annual Conference on white collar crime in the EU, Trier, Germany.

June 2019 Speaker and Trainer at the Sentencing and Confiscation Course, Judicial College, Warwick, England.

July 2019 Speaker on the challenges of Asset Recovery in Europe at MoneyVal 58th Plenary Meeting, the Council of Europe, Strasbourg, France.

August 2019 Directing Seminar and key note speaker/trainer on fighting money laundering and on asset recovery for Argentine Judges and Prosecutors, British Embassy, Buenos Aires, Argentina.

September 2019 Speaker/Panel Chair, at the 37th International Symposium on Economic Crime, Jesus College, Cambridge, UK. Member of the Law Commission workshop on reform of the Proceeds of Crime Act.

September 2019 Advisory Committee meeting, the International Justice Partnership, York University, Toronto, Canada.

October 2019 Speaker on Recent developments in asset recovery, DPA's and unexplained wealth orders - the Court's approach, at the 8th Annual Anti-Bribery and Corruption Conference, AMLP Forum, London, England.

November 2019 Speaker and trainer at EJTN (European Judicial Training Network) seminar on Economic Crimes, Asset Recovery and Confiscation in the EU, Zagreb, Croatia.

November 2019 Speaker at Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative Seminar on Strengthening anti-corruption in the South East Europe through improving asset seizure measures (Aire Centre, UK Government and Konrad Adenauer Foundation). Meeting Supreme Court Judges of Serbia, Belgrade, Serbia.

December 2019 Speaker and Trainer at Seminar on Effective Asset Recovery- Legal Standards and good Practices (HMRC and British Embassy Pristina); meeting Supreme Court Judges of Kosovo, Pristina, Kosovo.

December 2019 Scoping mission to Kiev on behalf of EU to Ukraine in respect of future Judicial Training on fighting economic crime. Speaker at seminar on financial investigations and confiscation of the proceeds of crime for law enforcement and the judiciary, Kiev, Ukraine.

January 2020 Keynote Speaker at Sri Lanka Judges Institute Symposium on Money laundering and Narcotics, US Department of Justice and British High Commission, Colombo, Sri Lanka.

January 2020 Course Director and Speaker at the Long and Complex Trials Course, Judicial College, Warwick, England.

March 2020 Speaker (and trainer on exercises) on challenges, from a Judicial perspective, in countering crime within the context of money laundering, asset recovery (including NCB asset recovery) and market manipulation at ERA Conference on conducting investigations into and adjudicating on financial crimes in the EU, Riga, Latvia.

March 2020 Speaker on challenges in countering white-collar crime within the context of money laundering and asset recovery at ERA annual Conference on white collar crime in the EU, Trier, Germany.