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Support to Good Governance: Project against Corruption in Ukraine – UPAC

Round table
“Effectiveness of the
National anti-corruption policy,
role of the civil society and private sector”

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Conference hall of the National Academy of Sciences of Ukraine
vul. Volodymyrska 55, Kyiv

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Background

The effectiveness of the national anti-corruption policy needs to be reviewed and analysed to learn lessons from the past and make progress in the future. NGOs and private sector acquired a valuable experience in basically every sector of governance and know well the specificities of various types of corruption practices. The implication of civil society organisations and private sector in the elaboration, implementation and monitoring of the national anti-corruption policy is critical to ensure its success and sustainability.

Important changes in the strategic, legislative and institutional frameworks are currently being prepared and it is expected to:

- define a new mechanism for coordination, monitoring, reporting and update of the national anti-corruption strategy;
- adopt a new detailed action plan for the implementation of the strategy;
- enhance specialisation in detection, investigation and prosecution of corruption offences;
- have the draft laws of the “anti-corruption package” adopted in the 2nd reading in Parliament;

Moreover civil society organisations could contribute to enhance compliance with GRECO recommendations and relevant international anti-corruption standards.

Purpose

The objectives of the Round table are the following:

- To contribute to strengthening the role of the civil society and private sector in the national anti-corruption efforts;
- To review the effectiveness of the national anti-corruption strategy and action plan by civil society organisations; to raise awareness on proposed reforms; contribute to enhancing compliance with GRECO recommendations as well as international and European standards.

Draft Programme

08.30-09.00 Registration of participants

PLENARY SESSION

09.00-09.30 Opening session

- **Council of Europe action against corruption**, Mr Roman Chlapak, UPAC Team Leader
 - Civil society representatives (*to be confirmed*)
 - Ministry of Justice representative (*to be confirmed*)
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09.30-11.40

PANEL SESSION 1 CIVIL SOCIETY AND PRIVATE SECTOR AND NATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION EFFORTS

Role of civil society in national anti-corruption efforts

- Ms Marijana Trivunovic (UK), Council of Europe expert (20 min)
- Mr Juhani Grossman, ACTION Project Ukraine (MCC/USAID) (15 min)

Role of the private sector in national anti-corruption efforts

- Ms Anne Lugon-Moulin (Executive Director, Basel Institute on Governance, Switzerland), Council of Europe expert (20 min)
- "Anti-raiders Front" of Ukraine (15 min) (*to be confirmed*)

Good practices

- Center for Analysis and Prevention of Corruption of Moldova (15 min)
- NGO Representative from Georgia or/and Armenia (15 min) (*to be confirmed*)
- Ms Olga Mashtaler and Mr Yuri Gavryliuk, "Anti-corruption Committee" (15 min)

11.40-11.55 – Coffee break

11.55-13.30

WORKSHOP 1 ROLE AND TOOLS OF THE CIVIL SOCIETY AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION

Moderator: CoE expert and Roman Chlapak, UPAC Team Leader

Related Topics:

- Role of the civil society to monitor national anti-corruption efforts and its role as a watchdog;
 - Role of the private sector to prevent and fight corruption;
 - Mobilisation of the public by NGOs and/or associations from the private sector;
 - Network of anti-corruption NGOs;
 - Development of recommendations.
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13.30-14.30 - Lunch

14.30-15.45

PANEL SESSION 2
CIVIL SOCIETY AND ANTI-CORRUPTION POLICY IN UKRAINE,
PROPOSED REFORMS

Consultation with civil society regarding strategic anti-corruption framework (strategy and action plan) and law drafting process

- Ministry of Justice (15 min) *(to be confirmed)*

Civil society and the Verkhovna Rada (Parliament) of Ukraine, legislative framework against corruption, “anti-corruption package of laws”

- Parliament (Verkhovna Rada) Committee against corruption and organised crime (15 min) *(to be confirmed)*

Civil service reform and protection of whistleblowers

- Main Civil Service Department (15 min) *(to be confirmed)*

Cooperation of civil society with the law enforcement authorities

- Prokuratura and/or Ministry of Interior (15 min) *(to be confirmed)*

15.45-16.00 – Coffee break

16.00-17.35

WORKSHOP 2
EFFECTIVENESS OF THE NATIONAL
ANTI-CORRUPTION STRATEGY AND ACTION PLAN

Moderators: CoE expert and NGO Representative

Related Topics:

- Assessment of the national strategic, legislative and institutional anti-corruption framework in Ukraine;
- Civil society/private sector and improvement of the anti-corruption strategic, legislative and institutional framework;
- Enhancing compliance with anti-corruption standards and GRECO recommendations
- Development of recommendations.

17.35-18.10

PLENARY SESSION
CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

20.00 Dinner for participants

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