

Civil Society Forum

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8:00

Registration

Registration opens at 8am and will remain open all day.

11:45 - 12:15

Opening Ceremony

- Welcoming remarks, Richard Nephew, U.S. Coordinator on Global Anti-Corruption, U.S. State Department
- Remarks, Ghada Waly, Executive Director, UNODC
- Remarks, Mathias Huter, Managing Director, UNCAC Coalition
- Remarks, Sanjay Pradhan, CEO, Open Government Partnership
- Keynote, Uzra Zeya, Under Secretary for Civil Security, Democracy, and Human Rights, U.S. State Department

12:30 - 13:30

Breakout Panels Session 1

Breakout 1:

Public Procurement Transparency

Procurement is a government's number one corruption risk, representing nearly 2/3 of OECD bribery cases. But in 20 years of the UNCAC there has never been a dedicated procurement resolution - until now! This session will look at how government, civil society, and private sector uniquely contribute to strong public procurement that is transparent, open, data-driven, efficient, and cost-effective. It will ask what's worked, what hasn't, and how the COSP resolution on procurement transparency offers a chance for peer learning and good practice exchange among all States Parties, no matter their starting point.

- Lindsey Marchessault, Director for Data and Engagement, Open Contracting Partnership (moderator)
- Kristen Robinson, Head of Advocacy, Open Contracting Partnership
- Lola Adekanye, Program Director for Africa, Center for International Private Enterprise
- Wana Alamsyah, Board Member, Indonesia Corruption Watch
- Marcelo Espinel, Deputy Director, Fundacion Ciudadanía y Desarrollo
- Caroline Goussé, Senior Policy Officer, French Ministry of Foreign Affairs
- Giuseppe Busia, President, Italian national Anti-Corruption Agency (ANAC)



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Breakout 2:

Link between Corruption and Transnational Organized Crime

The links between organized crime and corruption are diverse and multifaceted. Corruption is one of the main enablers of organized crime, and revenues generated from illicit economies fuel corruption. For the first time, a COSP resolution is addressing the relationship between these issues. This session is for participants to present and discuss the links between transnational organized crime and corruption, at the local, regional and global levels, and what can be done to better address the interlinked phenomena through the UNCAC COSP, as well as other multilateral bodies.

- Tuesday Reitano, Deputy Director, GI-TOC (moderator)
- Todd Robinson, Assistant Secretary of State for International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs, U.S. Department of State
- Ambassador Debora Lepre, Italian Permanent Representative to the UN in Vienna
- Ian Tennant, Head of Vienna Multilateral Representation, GI-TOC
- Gillian Dell, Head of Conventions Unit, Transparency International
- Gerson Nozea, Haiti Country Director, Rapha International

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Breakout 3:

Civil Society's Role in Addressing Enablers

Across the world, serious gaps in anti-money laundering laws are allowing corrupt officials to steal, move, and hide dirty money with impunity. While banks and other financial institutions are required to have anti-money laundering safeguards, these requirements do not extend to people who provide certain financial services, allowing them to operate as "enablers" of corruption. This diverse panel will address the role of enablers as key facilitators for corrupt officials. Panelists will provide updates with examples and progress in key financial centers, such as the United States, and illustrate how extending basic anti-money laundering safeguards to those that traditionally provide "enabler" services can be accomplished, in practice.

- Scott Greytak, Director of Advocacy, Transparency International U.S. (moderator)
- John Binns, Partner, BCL Solicitors (specialist in proceeds of crime laws, sanctions, and tax investigation)
- Scott Rembrandt, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Strategic Policy, Office of Terrorist Financing and Financial Crimes, U.S. Department of the Treasury
- Elaine Dezenski, Senior Director and Head of the Center on Economic and Financial Power, Foundation for Defense of Democracies
- Kateryna Ryzhenko, Deputy Director for Legal Affairs, Transparency International Ukraine

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Lunch Break

14:30-15:30

Breakout Panels Session 2

Breakout 1:

Countering Corruption to Reduce Gender Inequalities

While the UNCAC does not reference gender, there are increasing efforts to understand the gendered impact of corruption and how to apply a gender sensitive approach in UNCAC implementation. This side event will discuss links between gender and corruption, taking the draft resolution on Gender and Corruption as its starting point. The session aims to provide input into the draft resolution, based on the UNCAC Coalition Gender and Corruption Working Group's "Asks" for States Parties. The discussion will explore a diversity of topics, a human-rights-based and inclusive approach to anti-corruption, combatting sexual corruption, mainstreaming both gender equality and inclusion in anti-corruption initiatives, and improving gender-disaggregated data collection.

- Monica Kirya, Principal Program Advisor, U4 Anti-Corruption Resource Centre (moderator)
- Representative of the government of Ghana
- Zakhona Mvelase, Director, African Women Against Corruption
- Ketakandriana Ratifoson, Executive Director, Transparency International Madagascar
- Ina Kubbe, Lecturer & Researcher, Tel Aviv University

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Breakout Panels Session 2

Breakout 2:

Beneficial Ownership and the misuse of Corporate Vehicles

Beneficial ownership transparency (BOT) is critical to investigating corruption and following the money. This discussion will provide a unique opportunity for governments and civil society experts to explore how COSP10 can reinforce provisions previously adopted from resolutions from past Conferences to help maximize the value of beneficial ownership (BO) data as an anti-corruption tool. Central to this discussion is ensuring that the needs of the broad range of data users are placed at the center of policy decisions related to the collection of, access to, and use of BO information to advance global anti-corruption goals.

- Louise Russell-Prywata, Deputy Executive Director, Open Ownership, (moderator)
- Emmanuel Nweke, Minister Counsellor, Drugs, Crime and Human Rights, International Organization Department, Nigeria
- Maira Martini, Interim Head of Policy and Advocacy, Transparency International



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Breakout 3:

Promoting NGO Engagement in Multilateral Bodies

There is little doubt civil society can contribute valuable expertise and experience at the multilateral level, yet the participation of NGOs and other stakeholders is constantly being challenged. This session will focus on how to promote greater and more meaningful civil society participation in UN bodies and fora. The discussion will explore the restrictions and obstacles that civil society organizations have faced to participate in UNCAC fora as well as in other international fora. Representatives from governments and civil society will share good practices for promoting and expanding civic space in multilateral fora and discuss how these practices can be applied to UNCAC fora and elsewhere.

- Corinna Gilfillan, Senior Analyst, UNCAC Coalition (moderator)
- Ambassador Laura S.H. Holgate, U.S. Permanent Representative to International Organizations in Vienna
- Nicholas Miller, Senior Legal Advisor & Coordinator for Multilateral Engagement, International Center for Not-for-Profit Law
- Birgit Kainz-Labbé, Coordinator, Civic Space Unit, The Office of the UN High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)
- Mats Benestad, Policy Director, Norwegian Ministry of Foreign Affairs

15:30 - 16:00

Break

16:00 - 17:00

Closing Session High-Level Plenary

High-level Panel on Protecting and Supporting Role of Civil Society in Anti-Corruption Efforts

Moderator: Rickey Bevington, President of the World Affairs Council of Atlanta

Panelists:

- Slavica Grkovska, Deputy Prime Minister in charge of good governance policies, North Macedonia
- Izabela Correa, Secretary for Public Integrity, Office of the Comptroller General, Brazil
- Ketakandriana Rafitson, Executive Director, TI-Madagascar/Vice Chair of Transparency International
- Pusetso Morapedi, Southern Africa Director, Platform to Protect Whistleblowers in Africa

17:00 - 19:00

Celebratory Reception