



AGENDA

International Workshop on

“Conflicts of Interest Detection, Management and Resolution Experiences”

Tirana International Hotel, “Abret” Room

Tirana, Albania

19 – 20 April, 2011

Participants

Representatives of respective conflict of interest institutions from South – East European countries – member states and observers in the Regional Anti-corruption Initiative, other European counterpart institutions as well as relevant international stakeholders and organizations.

Workshop Goals

- Enhancing the cooperation between the IEN member institutions through the exchange of information, experience and knowledge on conflicts of interest issues;
- Discussion on practical ways and tools for the detection, management and resolution of conflicts of interest cases, aiming at the identification and promotion of good practices through discussions on different case studies;
- Discussion about the domestic cooperation and support provided by other public institutions aiming at data verification, checking and collection;
- Introduction of the “Open Day” activity, organized by HIDAA to the participants.

Methodology

The event will consist of moderated plenary panels, which will follow Workshop’s goals. Working language will be English only.

This event is organized in the framework of the project “*Strengthening the Integrity System in South East Europe*” that is supported by US State Department through the RCC Secretariat.

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9.00 – 09.30	Registration of participants
09.30 – 10.00	<p>Opening remarks by:</p> <p>Mr. Adriatik Llalla, Inspector General of the High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets (HIDAA)</p> <p>Mr. Edmond Dunga, Head of Office of Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative Secretariat for SEE (RAI Secretariat)</p> <p>Mr. Virgil Ivan Cucu, Senior Expert on Justice and Home Affairs, Regional Cooperation Council (RCC Secretariat)</p>
10.00 – 10.40	<p>Integrity Experts Network (IEN). Discussion on steps taken intending for enhanced collaboration between the members.</p> <p>RAI Secretariat representative presentation and discussion</p> <p>Mr. Quentin Reed, Team Leader, Council of Europe, PACA Project</p>
10.40 – 11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.00 – 13.00	<p>Topic 1 Domestic cooperation and collaboration with public and private entities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Identification and management of the public and private entities network</i> - <i>Legal and other possibilities for ensuring information from public institutions and private entities</i> - <i>Protection of personal data policies and experience</i> - <i>Verification of the relevant data declared by public officials</i> - <i>Restrictions and sanctions applied for these institutions/entities, when they refuse to collaborate</i> - <i>Ways and needs for future improvement.</i>

	<p><i>Presentation of 3 member institutions' experience (20 min per agency): Bulgarian National Audit Office (Bulgaria), Commission for the Prevention of Conflicts of Interest (Montenegro), and State Commission for Prevention of Corruption (Macedonia).</i></p> <p>Discussion</p>
13.00 – 14.00	Lunch
14.00 – 15.45	<p>Topic 2 Conflict of interest case by case detection, management and resolution framework and experience</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - <i>Declaration and Management of conflict of interest rules and experience;</i> - <i>Prohibitions or restrictions of certain activities or private interests (without incompatibilities);</i> - <i>Preventive measures, tools and mechanisms for management and resolution of conflict of interest situations;</i> - <i>Applicable sanctions and enforcement experience.</i> <p><i>A brief presentation of 4 participating conflict of interest institutions on practical experience related to detection, management and resolution experience or practical case study covering several of the previous issues (20 minutes per agency): Central Election Commission (Bosnia and Herzegovina), Kosovo Anti-Corruption Agency (Kosovo), Anti – Fraud Office of Catalonia (Catalonia, Spain) and Anti – Corruption Agency (Serbia).</i></p>
15.45 – 16.00	Coffee break
16.00 – 16.30	<p>Discussion of a case study on conflict of interest case-by-case practical experience (High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets (HIDAA), Albania).</p> <p><i>Ms. Fjorida Kallço, Law Department and Sector of Relations with Representative Authorities.</i></p> <p>Discussion of the participating agencies on the case study and their institutional experience.</p>

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10.00 –12.00	<p>“Open Day” Activity</p> <p>High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets will organize the “Open Day” activity. This is an event of high level of transparency, aiming to show how HIDAA staff does their every day work and the different stages of checking the declaration forms of private interests’ passes through. “Open Day” activity is suggested by General Inspector in order to enhance the trust of public, civil society and international organizations in HIDAA activity and to increase the level of transparency in public institutions. In this day, 4 percent of public officials of all levels will be selected through a random selection and undergo to full audit of their declarations of private interests. The “Open Day” activity is followed with high interest of the most important media in Albania.</p>
12.00 –12.30	<p><i>Coffee break</i></p>
12.30 – 13.00	<p>Visit at offices of High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets.</p>
13.00 – 13.30	<p>Return to the hotel</p>
13.30 – 14.30	<p><i>Lunch</i></p>