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PURPOSE and OBJECTIVES

The purpose of the conference is to discuss corruption in public institutions with a particular attention to security sector and to foster experiences exchange and regional cooperation in preventing the phenomenon.

Objectives are:

- *To identify possible causes of corruption;*
- *To discuss prevention strategies and ways to curb corruption;*
- *To examine corruption in security sector;*
- *To debate lessons learned and best practices from regional experiences;*
- *To present active projects in South Eastern Europe;*
- *To seek possible way ahead for further cooperation among countries in the region.*



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MONDAY 18 MAY 2009

18:30 - 19:00 **SPEAKERS MEETING**

Mario Stefano RIVA

Activity Coordinator, RACVIAC

The purpose is to jointly review conference's presentations, to harmonize and coordinate last minute changes in individual presentations, and to offer lecturers and moderators the opportunity to familiarize.

20:30 – 21:30 **RECEPTION COCKTAIL**

STEFANO

Diners Club Exclusive
Bogoviceva, 3
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A bus will be available in front of Hotel Rakitje at 19.40.

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TUESDAY 19 MAY 2009

09:00 - 09:30 OFFICIAL OPENING SESSION

Amb. Nedžad Hadžimusić

RACVIAC – Centre for Security Cooperation Director

Ms. Vesna Ratkovic

RAI – Regional Anti Corruption Initiative Chairperson

Ms. Marina Dujmović – Vuković

State Secretary, Ministry of Justice, Croatia

09:30 – 10:00 KEYNOTE ADDRESS

**CORRUPTION: UNDERSTANDING RISK AND BUILDING
STABILITY IN THE REGION.**

The purpose of this presentation is to reinforce the importance to address corruption risks in a systematic and comprehensive way and as part of an overall approach to risk assessment and management and to emphasize its relation to the regional building stability process.

Prof. dr. sc. Josip Kregar

Dean of the Faculty of Law – Zagreb

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10:00 – 15:50 **SECTION I**

FIGHTING CORRUPTION & SAFEGUARDING INTEGRITY IN SEE

Moderated by Prof. Josip Kregar

10:00 – 10:40 **The perception of corruption in SEE**

It presents TI's Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) and discusses the importance to use the measures of the perceived levels of public-sector corruption in a given country to understand the harmful effect of corruption on people's welfare.

Mr. Miklos Marschall

*Regional Director for Europe and Central Asia –
Transparency International, Berlin*

10:40 – 11:10 **GROUP PHOTO AND COFFEE BREAK**

11:10 – 11:50 **How to detect and investigate corruption**

It will describe OLAF's powers and tasks for accomplishment of its mandate lie in three main areas, which make up OLAF's "platform of services": investigations and coordination/assistance, intelligence, and development of anti-fraud policy. These three functions are complementary, in that the findings from OLAF's investigations represent an important source of information for the work of the intelligence units, which in turn leads to further information to be used to detect fraud.

Mr. Wolfgang Hetzer

*Anti-corruption adviser
European Anti-Fraud Office, Bruxelles*

11:50 – 12:30 **Prevention – A key factor in fighting corruption**

The presentation will discuss about the implementation of the integrity plans as a strategic tool for prevention of corruption in public institutions and is one of the fundamentals of the Slovenian national strategy in the fight against corruption.

Ms. Sandra A. Blagojević

*Advisor, Commission for the
Prevention of Corruption, Ljubljana*



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12:30 – 13:10 **UN convention against corruption. A powerful tool to be used**

The presentation will be on "Basic Principles of the UN Convention Against Corruption." It will cover (a) corruption prevention, (b) criminalization and law enforcement, (c) international cooperation, and (d) asset recovery.

Mr. Erik Larson

*Crime Prevention Expert, UNODC –
United Nations Office for Drugs and Crime, Vienna*

13:10 – 14:30 **LUNCH**

14:30 – 15:10 **Increasing transparency and accountability in combating corruption**

The presentation will discuss about accountability within a democratic nation analyzing how it should work in order that the people are able to hold their leaders accountable. The roles that parliament, independent media, civil society and political parties play in a democratic society to ensure that government serves society and that corruption is minimized.

Mr. John Williams

*Chief Executive Officer, GOPAC-Global
Organization of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, Ottawa*

15:10 – 15:50 **The role of parliaments in curbing corruption**

In all countries in South-East Europe, parliament has the constitutional mandate to both oversee government and to hold government accountable. Audit institutions, ombuds and anti-corruption agencies often report to parliament as a means of ensuring both their independence from government and reinforcing parliament's position. At the same time, parliaments can also play a key role in promoting accountability through building constituencies with civil society, public hearings, and parliamentary commissions.

Ms. Sanja Madžarević-Šujster

*Senior Country Economist,
World Bank, Zagreb*

15:50 – 16:20 **COFFEE BREAK**



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16:20 – 16:50 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR FIGHTING
CORRUPTION**

Dr. Marin Mrčela
Supreme Court Judge in Croatia
Vice-President of GRECO - Group of States Against Corruption

18:30 – 19:45 **SIGHTSEEING TOUR**

Guided tour in Zagreb
Free time

A bus will be available in front of Hotel Rakitje at 17.50

20:00 – 22:30 **OFFICIAL DINNER**

KLUB KNJIŽEVNIKA
Tgr. Bana Jelačića, 7/1
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21:00 – 21:30 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

BUILDING INTEGRITY IN DEFENSE

Colonel James J. Tabak
Commandant,
NATO School, Oberammergau (GE)



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WEDNESDAY 20 MAY 2009

09:00 – 12:10 **SECTION II**

REDUCING CORRUPTION IN SECURITY SECTOR AND DEFENSE

Moderated by **Mr. Zorislav Antun Petrović**,
President, TI Croatia

09:00 – 09:40 **Building integrity and reducing risk of corruption
in Defence establishments: what has been
achieved by NATO and its partners?**

It will brief participants on what has been achieved to date, what are the likely next steps and how nations and others can support the effort to build integrity and reduce the risk of corruption in defence establishments.

Ms. Susan Pond
Senior Officer,

Political and Security Policy Division, NATO, Bruxelles

09:40 – 10:20 **European defense procurement: countering
bribery through procurement regulation?**

Public procurement regulation in the context of the European Union is not specifically designed as an instrument to fight corruption. However, it imposes numerous obligations on contracting entities, which ensure the transparency of the procurement process thereby making corruption more difficult in practice. The procurement activities of the ministries of defence of the Member States of the European Union are subject to a number of security and secrecy exemptions from the public procurement rules. This presentation will provide an accessible analysis of these exemptions and how they are operated in practice.

Dr. Aris Georgopoulos

*School of Law – University of Nottingham
Head of Defense and Strategic Procurement Research Unit, PPRG*

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10:20 – 10:50 **COFFEE BREAK**

10:50 – 11:30 **Reducing corruption risk in Defence -
Practical reforms**

Corruption is costly and a waste of scarce resources. It dramatically impacts the operational effectiveness of military forces and reduces public trust and acceptance of the military. Corruption also reduces the credibility of national and international forces deployed on peacekeeping missions. Practical reforms to reducing corruption risk include both highlighting the “good” as well as reducing the “bad” perceptions. Increased transparency of structures and processes and greater oversight of key procurements and “offsets” all have a part to play in this process. Similarly, effective training programmes, including mentoring and workshops, all contribute to reducing corruption risk in defence.

Mr. Hugh Edleston (retired Rear Admiral)

Military Consultant, TI (UK)'s Defense Anti-Corruption team, UK

11:30 – 12:10 **Border controls and corruption**

“The presentation will outline the reason for border controls, the vulnerability and consequences of corruption in the Border Agencies and will also outline anticorruption measures to reduce the opportunity for corruption to thrive.”

Mr. Tom McGoona

Retired Customs Law Enforcement Officer, UK

12:10 – 12:50 **KEYNOTE ADDRESS**

**THE FUTURE OF CORRUPTION BENCHMARKING IN
THE EU.**

Identifying anti-corruption progress remains largely arbitrary. Diagnosing the state of corruption and obtaining reliable information about its dynamics are crucial to the implementation of successful prevention and control policies, including within the EU itself. The evolution of the EU's policies in the area of anti-corruption suggests that the next logical step in this process is the development of EU's own methodology for benchmarking corruption, as has been done in other areas.

Mr. Dimitar Markov

*Project Coordinator, Law Program,
Centre for the Study of Democracy, Sofia*



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12:50 – 14:30 **LUNCH**

14:30 – 18:00 **SECTION III**

ANTI-CORRUPTION STRATEGIES AND BEST PRACTICES FROM THE SOUTH EUROPEAN COUNTRIES IN FIGHTING CORRUPTION

Moderated by **Mr. Stanislav Alekandrov**
Anti-Corruption expert, RAI

14:30 – 16:00

Ms. Helena Papa

Coordinator/Inspector in the Department of Internal Administrative Control and Anti-corruption, Council of Ministers, Albania

Mr. Emir Dugalija

Inspector from the Department for Fighting Financial Crimes and Corruption in the Bosnian State Investigation and Protection Agency (SIPA), Bosnia & Herzegovina

Mr. Vassil Stoikov

Chief Inspector, Ministry of Interior, Bulgaria

Mr. Tomislav Matoc

Head of Department for Strategy and Analysis of Measures for Combating Corruption, Ministry of Justice, Croatia

Mr. Cvetko Mojsoski

Member of the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption, Former Yugoslavia Republic of Macedonia¹

16:00 – 16:30 **COFFEE BREAK**

16.30 – 18.00 **Mr. Radu Cotici**

Chief of Legislation and Anti-corruption Proofing Directorate, Center for Combating Economic Crimes and Corruption, Moldova

Ms. Vesna Ratkovic

Director of the Directorate for Anti-corruption Initiative, Montenegro

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Mrs. Oana Haineala

*Director of the Department for the Relation
with the Public Ministry, Prevention of Crime
and Corruption, Ministry of Justice, Romania*

Mr. Radu Buica

*Counselor to the Romanian State Secretary of
Justice, Romania*

Mr. Slobodan Bošković

Ministry of Justice, Serbia

18:00 - 18:15 CLOSING REMARKS SESSION

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