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## Counter Corruption Best Practices for Europe

Sofia, Bulgaria

16 - 18 March 2010

### AGENDA

#### Conference Goals

- Cultivate the whole of government approach towards counter corruption activities within European Command's Area of Responsibility.
- Increase awareness of U.S. and European counter corruption programs, current best practices, and initiatives in Europe, including at the sub-regional level, within an audience of both U.S. and Eastern European governmental officials engaged in counter corruption work.
- Strengthen links among U.S. missions in Europe and between U.S. missions and local institutions involved in anticorruption efforts.
- Support the counter corruption initiatives of the U.S. Embassy Sofia.

#### Conference Plenary Moderators

**Mr. Thomas Cunningham**

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#### Methodology

The conference will consist of moderated plenary panels and moderated breakout roundtable sessions, which will encourage discussion and networking. The conference will be in English only.

**Tuesday - 16 March 2010**

TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
0915 - 1000	<p><b>Conference Opening</b></p> <p><b>Dr. John P. Rose</b> Director George C. Marshall European Center for Security Studies Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Germany</p> <p><b>Mr. Peter Ainsworth</b> Senior Deputy Chief for Litigation Public Integrity Section U.S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C., USA</p> <p><b>Ambassador James Warlick</b> United States Ambassador to Bulgaria Sofia, Bulgaria</p>	Plenary
1000 - 1030	<p><b>Keynote Address</b></p> <p><b>His Excellency Boyko Borissov</b> Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria Sofia, Bulgaria</p>	Plenary
1030 - 1100	<p><b>Coffee Break</b></p>	
1100 - 1130	<p><b>Special Address</b></p> <p><b>His Excellency Anyu Angelov</b> Minister of Defense of the Republic of Bulgaria Sofia, Bulgaria</p>	Plenary
1130 - 1135	<p><b>Short Break</b></p>	
1135 - 1300	<p><b>Panel One: Best Practices Combating Organized Crime and Corruption</b></p> <p><b>Mr. Fred Lord</b> Assistant Director, Anti-Corruption Office INTERPOL Secretariat Lyon, France</p> <p><b>Dr. Wolfgang Hetzer</b> European Union Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) Brussels, Belgium</p> <p><b>Mr. Dritan Rreshka</b> Head, Joint Investigative Unit to Combat Economic Crime and Corruption Tirana, Albania</p> <p><b>Dr. Daniel Lipšic</b> Member of Parliament Bratislava, Slovakia</p>	Plenary
1300 - 1400	<p><b>Lunch</b></p>	Hotel

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TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
1400 - 1530	<p><b>Panel Two:</b> Specialized Counter-Corruption Bodies: Models and Challenges</p> <p><b>Mr. Edmond Dunga</b> Secretariat, Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina</p> <p><b>Mr. Erik Larson</b> Crime Prevention Expert, Corruption and Economic Crime Section United Nations Office of Drugs and Crime Vienna, Austria</p> <p><b>Dr. Anca Jurma</b> Chief Prosecutor Romanian National Anti-Corruption Directorate Bucharest, Romania</p> <p><b>Ms. Inese Gaika</b> Manager, Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD) Paris, France</p>	Plenary
1530 - 1600	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
1600 - 1700	<p><b>Seminar Session One</b></p> <p><b>Seminar Room A:</b> Roundtable Discussion: Experiences and Recommendations on Issues and Challenges in Independence of Counter-Corruption Bodies in Western and Eastern Europe</p> <p><b>Seminar Room B:</b> Roundtable Discussion: Developing an Anti-Corruption and Organized Crime Legal Regime</p>	Seminar Rooms
1800 - 2000	<b>Ice Breaker Reception</b>	Hilton Hotel

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TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
0900 - 1030	<p><b>Panel Three:</b> Independence and Integrity in Law Enforcement and Prosecution: Measures and Challenges</p> <p><b>Mr. Robert Vernon</b> Retired Assistant Chief of Police Los Angeles Police Department Monument, Colorado, USA</p> <p><b>Mr. Peter Ainsworth</b> Senior Deputy Chief for Litigation Public Integrity Section U.S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C., USA</p>	Plenary
1030 - 1100	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
1100 - 1200	<p><b>Panel Four:</b> Countering Corruption in the Defense Sector</p> <p><b>Mr. Yordan Bozhilov</b> Chief of the Political Cabinet Ministry of Defense Sofia, Bulgaria</p> <p><b>Air Commodore (Ret) Alan Waldron</b> Defense Advisor Transparency International London, UK</p>	Plenary
1200 - 1330	<b>Lunch</b>	Hotel
1330 - 1500	<p><b>Panel Five:</b> Other Partners in Oversight I: Civil Society Engagement</p> <p><b>Ms. Diana Kovatcheva</b> Executive Director Transparency International Bulgaria Sofia, Bulgaria</p> <p><b>Mr. Michael de Villiers</b> Director IREX Europe Lyon, France</p> <p><b>Mr. Nicholas Acker</b> Regional Director, Central and Eastern Europe, Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training U.S. Department of Justice Washington, D.C., USA</p>	Plenary
1500 - 1530	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
1530 - 1630	<p><b>Seminar Session Two</b></p> <p><b>Seminar Room A:</b> Roundtable Discussion: Experiences and Recommendations on Issues and Challenges in Engaging Other Partners in Western and Eastern Europe</p> <p><b>Seminar Room B:</b> Roundtable Discussion: UNCAC and other international standards relating to prevention and counter-corruption bodies</p>	Seminar Rooms

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TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
0900 - 1030	<p><b>Panel Six:</b> Other Partners in Oversight II: Information and Power: e-Governance, Access to Information, Minimizing Discretion</p> <p><b>Dr. Eric Rudenshiold</b> Senior Governance Advisor U.S. Agency for International Development Washington, D.C., USA</p> <p><b>Mr. Ivar Tallo</b> Member of the Board e-Governance Academy Tallinn, Estonia</p>	Plenary
1030 - 1100	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
1100 - 1130	<p><b>Conference Closing:</b></p> <p><b>TBD</b> U.S. Department of State Washington D.C., USA</p> <p><b>Mr. Dietrich Becker</b> Deputy Head of Mission German Embassy to Bulgaria Sofia, Bulgaria</p>	Plenary
1200 - 1300	<b>Lunch</b>	Hotel