



REGIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION INITIATIVE

15

YEARS OF REFORMS: WHAT WORKED BEST?

Chisinau, 28 September 2015

AGENDA

Sunday, September 27

19:30 ***Glass of wine on the occasion of 15 years of RAI***

Venue: Restaurant *Poiana Nucului*

Transfer from Hotel Codru at 19:00

Transfer to Hotel at 22:00

Monday, September 28

8:30 – 09:00 ***Registration of the participants***

Opening of the Conference

9:00 – 09:30

The Conference is organized by the Regional Anti-corruption Initiative in cooperation with the National Anti-corruption Center of Moldova. It reviews the results of reforms on anti-corruption in Southeast Europe during the past 15 years, with the occasion of the 15th Anniversary of the Regional Anti-corruption Initiative. State representatives, independent anti-corruption experts and representatives of NGOs are encouraged to discuss the challenges faced and lessons learned.

Chair: **Mr. Radu Cotici**, Head of Regional Anti-corruption Initiative Secretariat

Opening statements

- **Mr. Viorel Chetraru**, Director, National Anti-corruption Center, Moldova
- **Mr. Corneliu Gurin**, Prosecutor General, Moldova
- **Mr. Vladimir Cebotari**, Minister of Justice, Moldova
- **Mr. Davor Dubravica**, Chairperson, Regional Anti-corruption Initiative

09:30 – 11:00

Panel 1: Reforming Anti-corruption in SEE: Acknowledging Main Bottlenecks

This Session looks into the main barriers that policy makers from SEE encountered when designing and implementing anti-corruption reforms. The obstacles vary from weak political will or lack of capacities, to the independency of anti-corruption actors and (ab)using human rights as an argument to protect the corrupt. Panellists will deliberate on possibilities to reduce the influences of such impediments.

Moderator: **Mr. Vasile Botnaru**, Director, Radio Free Europe, Moldova

Keynote Address: **Mr. Constantine Palicarsky**, UNODC

Discussions with:

- **Mr. Idlir Peci**, Deputy Minister of Justice, Albania
- **Ms. Cristina Tarna**, Deputy Director, National Anti-corruption Center, Moldova
- **Mr. Cornel-Virgiliu Calinescu**, Ministry of Justice, Romania
- **Ms. Londa Esadze**, Anti-corruption Expert

Questions & Answers

11:00 – 11:30

Coffee break

11:30 – 13:00

Panel 2: Ethics and Integrity – a Challenge for Corruption Prone Areas

This Session focuses on challenges related to transparency, codes of conduct and integrity risks in the most corruption affected areas, such as politics, judiciary, healthcare or education. The panellists will deliberate on the best ways to reduce corruption, based on the lessons learned in the past 15 years, in the areas vulnerable to corruption.

Moderator: **Mr. Pedro Gomes Pereira**, Senior Specialist, Basel Institute on Governance

Keynote Address: **Mr. Quentin Reed**, Anti-corruption Expert

Discussions with:

- **Ms. Dalija Oreskovic**, President of the Commission for Resolution of Conflicts of Interest, Croatia
- **Mr. Todor Yalamov**, SELDI / CSD Bulgaria
- **Ms. Shelley Inglis**, UNDP Istanbul Regional Hub
- **Mr. Zorislav Antun Petrovic**, Anti-corruption Expert

Questions & Answers

13:00 – 14:15

Lunch break

14:15 – 15:45

Panel 3: Innovation vs Classics in Preventing Corruption

The session will try to answer What Worked Best in the last 15 years, examining the effect of common preventive policies, such as management of conflict of interest, codes of conduct, or public procurement, as well as those of relatively new for SEE prevention measures, such as corruption proofing of legislation or integrity testing.

Moderator: **Mr. Sergiu Ostaf**, Director, Resource Center for Human Rights, Moldova

Keynote Address: **Ms. Cristina Tarna**, Deputy Director, National Anti-corruption Center, Moldova

Discussions with:

- **Mr. Pawel Wojtunik**, Head of Central Anti-corruption Bureau, Poland
- **Ms. Marijana Obradovic**, Assistant Director of Anti-corruption Agency, Serbia
- **Mr. Mevludin Dzindo**, Assistant Director of the Agency for Prevention of Corruption, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- **Mr. Radu Cotici**, Head of RAI Secretariat

Questions & Answers

15:45 – 16:15

Coffee break

16:15 – 17:00

Conclusions and Closing Session

Conclusions: *The challenges the region is about to face and the possibilities to address them*
Ms. Cornelia Abel, Transparency International

Addresses:

- **Ms. Cristina Tarna**, Deputy Director, National Anti-corruption Center, Moldova
- **Mr. Davor Dubravica**, Chairperson, Regional Anti-corruption Initiative