

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, Dear Colleagues and Friends,

We have the pleasure of presenting you with the summer edition of our newsletter. Topic proposals for the next newsletter and suggestions for improvement are most welcome.

The Contact Catalogue 2013 has been released and it has already been distributed by postal mail. Members who have not yet received it may wish to contact us for a copy. The electronic version will be online on our website for download. Current changes to members' contact data will be updated in the "Constituency" section on the website.

Your Secretariat

EPAC/EACN Annual Professional Conference 2013

This year's Annual Professional Conference and General Assembly of EPAC/EACN will be held from 13 to 15 November 2013 in Krakow, Poland. Official invitations to our members and observers will be sent in a few days and information for the participants will come after the summer break.

The Basel Institute to Establish the B20 Collective Action Hub on Anti-Corruption

The International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA), the UN Global Compact Initiative and other major stakeholders, will support the Basel Institute on Governance in establishing and administering the new B20 Collective Action Hub on Anti-Corruption, which the Institute – together with its partners – has been awarded with by the B20 Task Force on Anti-Corruption and Transparency. Its main aim is to promote and strengthen collective action initiatives against corruption by bringing together leading businesses from the G20 member countries, governments and civil society organizations. Amongst some of the very concrete measures that will be implemented by the time the Russian Federation hands over its G20 presidency to Australia at the end of this year is the establishment of this Collective Action Hub. The hub will be implemented in Switzerland and operate via its International Centre for Collective Action (ICCA). For more details, visit the website of ICCA at www.collective-action.com.



Anti-Corruption High-Level Meetings in Panama City and Bangkok



Panama City will be hosting two important events for anti-corruption stakeholders this November. The first one to be held is the seventh Annual Conference and General Meeting of the International Association of International Anti-Corruption Authorities (IAACA), from 22 to 24 November 2013. This year, the fight against corruption is going to be approached from a rule of law angle.

It will be followed by the fifth session of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption, which will be held from 25 to 29 November 2013 at the Atlapa Center. Key issues regarding the review of the implementation of the Convention, asset recovery, prevention and technical assistance will be addressed.



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The International Anti-Corruption Academy is holding its second Assembly of Parties from 9 to 11 December 2013 in Bangkok. Representatives of national anti-corruption authorities are strongly encouraged to be present with their national delegation. Invitations will be sent in due course.

Registration is Still Open for the 19th Annual Conference of NACOLE

Every year, citizens, practitioners of civilian oversight, law enforcement officials, elected and community leaders and other interested stakeholders are to engage in constructive dialogue about the principles and practice of civilian oversight of law enforcement. This year, the participants will gather around the topic "Finding the Right Balance". A total of 25 workshops and panels will be presented at this year's conference, including conducting outreach to vulnerable and invisible segments of communities, finding the "right" balance of and within civilian oversight, and tools and strategies to identify and address biased and discriminatory policing practices and build community trust. Visit the website for more information about registration and the programme, www.nacole.org.

The International Anti-Corruption Academy opens Application for its Procurement Anti-Corruption Training (PACT)



The training, a four-week programme, is offered by the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) in cooperation with UNODC this September. It provides professionals – government leaders, procurement officials, members of civil society, workers in the procurement community, judges, prosecutors, attorneys, and investigators – with a grounding in public procurement and how corruption should be addressed in the procurement process. The goal of the programme is to reduce corruption in public procurement by training professionals from around the world in sound anti-corruption strategies.

The programme includes a two-week pre-training phase followed by a one-week on-site training at the Academy's campus in Laxenburg, Austria, concluding with a one-week follow-up phase. The on-site programme will be taught by Professor Christopher Yukins, a senior academic and co-director of one of the leading procurement programmes in the world, at the George Washington University Law School in Washington, D.C. Professor Yukins regularly teaches on procurement and corruption in countries around the world. Additionally, there will be interviews with distinguished guest lecturers charged with rooting out corruption in the public sector and leaders of civil society. Invited guests will include, among others, representatives of the World Bank and Transparency International. Please visit www.iaca.int for more details.

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