

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen,  
Dear Colleagues and Friends,

It is with great pleasure that we present you with the second newsletter for this year, informing you of the latest developments and upcoming events. We would also like to notify you that after having received your most recent feedback, the final hard copy versions of the EPAC and EACN Contact Catalogues will be circulated to all member and observer authorities during the third week of May.

Your Secretariat

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### EPAC/EACN Project Conference

Under the auspices of the Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the European Union, the project conference on “European Standards for EPAC/EACN Members”, took place in Budapest between 13 and 14 April. This two-day event, perfectly organised by the Hungarian National Protective Service (NVSZ), brought together more than 80 delegates from Council of Europe and EU Member States. The conference provided an occasion to further elaborate on “Anti-Corruption Authorities Standards” and “Police Oversight Principles” so that the refined documents could be brought to a standard to be presented for adoption at the annual conference.

Moreover, keynote speeches and presentations were delivered by Mr. László Felkai, Undersecretary for Administration of the Hungarian Ministry of Interior, Mr. Giovanni Kessler, the new Director General of OLAF, Mr. Zoltán Bolcsik, General Director of the recently founded NVSZ, Mr. Edmond Dunga, GRECO Bureau Member, as well as Mr. Martin Kreutner,



EPAC/EACN President. At the closing of the conference, the Budapest 2011 Declaration was unanimously adopted.

We would like to express our appreciation to all delegates for their active participation, and extend our gratitude to the NVSZ for their warm hospitality and organisation of this event.

### **In Memorium of Ferenc Frankberger**

With great regret we have to inform you of the death of our dear colleague, Ferenc Frankberger, who unexpectedly passed away on Sunday, 24 April. Mr. Frankberger was the Police Major-General, former Vice-President of EPAC, and former Head of the Hungarian Protective Service of Law Enforcement Agencies (the predecessor to National Protective Service). His wonderful personality as well as his relentless dedication and contributions to the EPAC/EACN network and the global fight against corruption will always be remembered.



Our thoughts and sincere sympathies lie with his family and friends.

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### **World Bank - EPAC/EACN Memorandum of Understanding**

On 28 February, the Integrity Vice Presidency (INT) of the World Bank Group and the EPAC/EACN network entered into a Memorandum of Understanding, pledging to co-operate in the detection, substantiation and prevention of corruption and fraud. The fostering of anti-corruption integrity initiatives and training activities, as well as the exchange of experiences, also form an integral part of this partnership agreement.

You can find a copy of the Memorandum of Understanding attached to this newsletter.

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### **The International Anti-Corruption Academy - an international organization**



The International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA), the first institution of its kind specialising in anti-corruption education and research, became an international organization effective 8 March 2011. With 51 United Nations Member States and two international organizations as

signatories, the Academy represents one of the most successful international initiatives ever. Situated in Laxenburg, Austria, IACA aims to overcome the current shortcomings in knowledge and practice in the field of anti-corruption, improve the knowledge and skills of its participants, and assist institutions and organizations in enhancing their transparency and accountability.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### **IACSA Call for Applications**

The call for applications for the International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy (IACSA) is now open and will end on 15 May. The summer school, under the theme "Practice Meets Science" is organised by the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA), and will take place between 30 June and 9 July. Course sessions are aimed at anti-corruption practitioners and students, and will cover a variety of disciplines designed to provide participants with a better understanding of corruption in a globalised world. Experts from EPAC/EACN member and observer authorities are particularly encouraged to apply. Owing to the support of the Siemens Integrity Initiative, the tuition fees of all participants will be covered by IACSA. Detailed information on the programme, including the online application form, is available under: <[www.iaca-info.org](http://www.iaca-info.org)>



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### **CACOLE Conference**

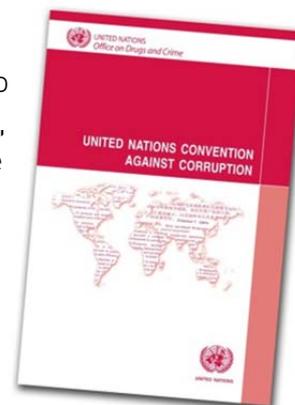
The approaching annual conference of the Canadian Association for Civilian Oversight of Law Enforcement (CACOLE) on the topic, "Civilian Oversight – Are we

Making a Difference?”, will be held in Canmore, Alberta, Canada, from 30 May to 1 June. Panelists will include, among others, representatives of the Office of the Police Complaints Commissioner and Public Complaints Commissions of a number of Canadian provinces, as well as the Executive Director of the Commission for Public Complaints Against the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. Further information is available under: <[www.cacole.ca](http://www.cacole.ca)>

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### UNCAC IRG Meeting

At the third session of the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), held in Doha, Qatar, in November 2009, the conference adopted the terms of reference of the Mechanism for the Review of Implementation of the UNCAC and established the Implementation Review Group (IRG) to oversee the review process.



The second meeting of the IRG of the UNCAC will take place in Vienna from 30 May to 3 June. We would encourage all EPAC/EACN experts to take part in this meeting as part of their national delegations. Further information is available under: <[www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/IRG.html](http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/treaties/CAC/IRG.html)>

### SEECF Meeting

Between 9 and 10 May, the Meeting of the South-East Europe Cooperation Process (SEECF) Directors of National Institutions and Agencies for Combating Corruption and Organised Crime will convene in Bečići (Budva), Montenegro. Under the Montenegrin Chairmanship-in-Office of the SEECF, the gathering is co-organised by the Directorate for Anti-Corruption Initiative, Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative Secretariat, and Regional Cooperation Council.



The SEECF is a regional framework of co-operation consisting of 12 Member States, which purports to strengthen good neighborly relations and thus promote security and stability in the region.

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### Annual Conference

This year's annual conference will most likely take place between 22 and 25 November. The venue is yet to be announced. Further precise information will follow in due course.

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