10th Regional Conference on

PREVENTING AND COMBATING CORRUPTION IN INFRASTRUCTURE PROJECTS IN ASIA-PACIFIC

# DRAFT AGENDA

3-6 December 2019

Ha Noi, Viet Nam

**Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia-Pacific** 

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In order to drive socio-economic growth, facilitate domestic and cross-border trade, and mitigate the effects of climate change, countries in the Asia-Pacific region are investing heavily in large infrastructure projects, such as roads, railways, mass transportation systems, marine ports, airports, health care and education infrastructure, water supply systems, and waste treatment facilities. At the same time, these projects are highly susceptible to corruption risks due to their complexity and high costs, as demonstrated by a multitude of cases around the world and in the region. As a result, the need for managing corruption risks in large infrastructure projects and developing holistic measures for fighting corruption in the infrastructure sector has never been greater.

In response, the Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia-Pacific will bring countries together to sharpen their policies and instruments to fight corruption in large infrastructure projects. More specifically, the 10th Regional Conference, hosted by the Government of Viet Nam on 3-6 December 2019 in Hanoi, will feature the following meetings:

- An inaugural business integrity meeting, which will explore corruption risks in infrastructure projects, along with the anti-bribery compliance climate in the region. This Business Integrity Meeting is coorganised with UNDP.
- A meeting of the Public Integrity Network (PIN), which will explore solutions to curb undue influence, strengthen risk management and improve corruption prevention.

The results of these meetings will be presented by regional leaders in the High Level Segment. In addition the Regional Conference will host the 23rd Steering Committee meeting of the Initiative.

	Tuesday 3 December	Wednesday 4 December	Thursday 5 December	Friday 6 December
09:00-12:30	Business Integrity meeting	Public Integrity Network	Public Integrity Network	Public Integrity Network  High Level Segment –  High Level Panel
14:00-17:00	Business Integrity meeting	Public Integrity Network	23rd Steering Group Meeting [for Initiative members only]	High Level Segment – Closing Ceremony  Ha Long Bay Tour
18:00 – 20:00			Gala Dinner	

# **Meeting on Business Integrity**

# Tuesday 3 December 2019

# Venue: JW Marriott Hotel, Ballroom 1

#### 09:00-09:30 Welcome and introduction

Welcome by Business Integrity Meeting co-moderators: Brook Horowitz, Business Integrity Advisor, UNDP and Ms. Leah Ambler, Legal Analyst and Manager, Asia-Pacific, OECD.

#### Opening speeches:

- Mr. Tran Ngoc Liem, Deputy Government Inspector General, Government Inspectorate (GIV), Viet Nam
- Mr. Vu Tien Loc, Chairman of Viet Nam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI)
- Ms. Mathilde Mesnard, Deputy Director, OECD Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs
- Ms. Diana Torres, Project Manager, Transparency and Accountability at UNDP in Asia and the Pacific, UNDP

# 09:30-10:45 Panel discussion: Corruption risks in infrastructure projects in Asia-Pacific

This session will bring together private sector companies and trade and investment facilitators to discuss and identify the principle corruption risks involved in infrastructure projects in the region. With reference to case studies, this session seeks to identify the main challenges, faced by companies—both large and small, foreign and local—participating in infrastructure projects in the region.

#### Speakers:

- Mr. Ryohei Gamada, Senior Economist (Asia), The Japan External Trade Organization (JETRO) Bangkok
- Mr. Juhani Grossman, Chief of Party, USAID CEGAH (corruption prevention program in Indonesia)
- Mr. Liu Luobing, Vice Chair & Board Member of International Federation of Consulting Engineers (FIDIC)
- Ms Angela Joo-Hyun Kang, Founder and Executive President, Global Competitiveness Empowerment Forum (GCEF)
- Mr. Christian Wunderley, Director, Anti-Bribery and Corruption, ASEAN and South Asia & Greater China and North Asia Conduct, Financial Crime and Compliance

Moderator: Mr. Brook Horowitz, Business Integrity Advisor, UNDP

#### 10.45 – 11.00 Coffee break

## 11.00 -12:30 Panel Discussion: The compliance climate in Asia-Pacific

This session will explore and identify challenges in implementing effective anti-corruption compliance systems in the infrastructure sector. It will delve into the challenges of conducting corruption risk assessments and due diligence in the context of government infrastructure contracting in Asia-Pacific. Speakers will discuss trends in anti-bribery compliance guidance and certification among companies operating in the region, as well as the broader developments related to responsible business conduct standards.

### Speakers:

- Mr. Francesco Checchi, Anti-Corruption Advisor, UNODC
- Mr. Pana Ratanabanangkoon, Executive Vice President, Thai Institute of Director and Project Director, Thailand's Private Sector Collective Coalition against Corruption (CAC)
- Mr. Nguyen Quang Vinh, VCCI Secretary General and Director of Office for Business Sustainable Development
- Mr. Phung Manh Truong, Deputy Director, Directorate for Standards, Metrology and Quality – Ministry of Science and Technology, Viet Nam
- Mr. Daniel Shea, Regional Director, Compliance & Litigation, Microsoft Asia
- Mr. Stephen Taylor, Head of Internal Political Section, British Embassy Viet Nam

Moderator: Ms. Leah Ambler, Legal Analyst and Manager, Asia-Pacific, OECD

### 12:30-14:00 Lunch break

14:00-16:00	Breakout Session: Finding solutions: how to better equip business in Asia-Pacific to combat bribery and corruption		
	The audience will be divided into separate discussion groups, to be moderated by some of the speakers from the morning roundtables. The discussion groups will be assigned specific topics in the context of corruption risk and anti-bribery compliance needs in Asia-Pacific. Following the allocated time for discussion, speakers will report to the plenary on the conclusions reached by their discussion group.		
14.00-14.05	Co-moderators present the aims and format of the breakout session		
14.05-15.15	Breakout discussions		
15.15-15.30	Coffee break		
15.30-16.00	Report out from each discussion group by rapporteurs		
16:00-16.30	Plenary discussion – Working together for business integrity		
	Ms. Solène Philippe, Legal Advisor, OECD Anti-Corruption Division, will summarise the recommendations and ideas from the breakout sessions.		
	Discussion with all participants to select the key priorities for business integrity work in the Asia-Pacific region.		
16.30-16.50	Conclusions – the road ahead		
	Mr. Heru Prasetyo, Founder and Chair of Board of Patrons, Indonesia Business Links		
16.50-17.00	Wrap-up		
	Summary and conclusions from the Co-Chairs of the Conference		
	<ul> <li>Mr. Tran Ngoc Liem, Deputy Government Inspector General, Government Inspectorate (GIV), Viet Nam</li> </ul>		
	Mr. Vu Tien Loc, Chairman of Viet Nam Chamber of Commerce and Industry (VCCI)		