



Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) and its Review Mechanism

20-22 September 2021

Hotel Moskva Belgrade, Serbia

This workshop aims to develop the participants' capacity on UNCAC and its Implementation Review Mechanism, and to allow for a constructive dialogue between civil society and governmental experts. The workshop seeks to:

- Equip participants with the substantive expertise in UNCAC provisions required to undergo and perform reviews as well as to address the observations emanating from the reviews;
- Inform participants about the methodology and tools used for country reviews;
- Build capacity to reproduce workshop sessions at the national/regional levels;
- Provide a platform for constructive dialogue and sharing of experiences.

The workshop is designed to achieve its learning objectives in an interactive manner. It will comprise of **plenary sessions** enabling participants to contribute to presentations, engage in discussions and exchange information, and **interactive exercises** providing concrete learning opportunities for its participants.

The workshop will be held in **English**.

AGENDA

Monday 20 September 2021		
14:00 – 15:30	Opening ceremony Moderator: Ms. Mirella Dummar Frahi, Civil Society Unit, UNODC Speakers: Ms. Katarina Nikolic, Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Serbia H.E. Mr. Nikolaus Lutterotti, Ambassador of the Republic of Austria in Serbia Mr. Mathias Huter, Managing Director, UNCAC Coalition Ms. Desislava Gotskova, Head of Secretariat, Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative Ms. Françoise Jacob, UN Resident Coordinator in Serbia Welcoming remarks, an overview of the workshop and tour de table	
15:30- 16:00	Break and Group picture	

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16:00 - 17:30	The United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) and the Implementation Review Mechanism: the role CSOs and the private sector
	Session Objective: Enable participants with an overall understanding of the key concepts of the Convention, the work of the Conference of the States Parties and its subsidiary bodies (with reference to Goal 16 of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development), and introduce entry points for CSOs and the private sector and avenues for their cooperation with governments.
	Speaker: Ms. Livia Krings, UNODC Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer Q&A session
19:00	Reception

Tuesday 21 September 2021	
9:30 – 11:00	First Session The second cycle review: substantive requirements for Chapter II (Preventive measures) of UNCAC Session Objective: Enable participants with knowledge on the substantive requirements of Chapter II of the Convention for the second review cycle. Share experiences of CSOs and FPs in implementation of specific articles. Speaker: Mr. Constantine Palicarsky, UNODC Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer Presentation from Mr. Jovan Nicic and Mr. Nemanja Nenadic, RAI experts - Preconditions and challenges for effective implementation of Corruption Risk Assessment and Corruption Proofing of Legislation based on SEE experiences
11:00 – 11:15	Break
11:15 – 13:00	Second Session The second cycle review: substantive requirements for Chapter V (Asset recovery) of UNCAC Session Objective: Enable participants with knowledge on the substantive requirements of Chapter V of the Convention for the second review cycle including presentations from the region. Speaker: Mr. Constantine Palicarsky, UNODC Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch
14:00 – 15:30	Third Session (group sessions) The UNCAC Second review cycle: mock reviews Session Objective: Provide participants with practical experience of review of selected articles, country visit and observations.
15:30 – 15:45	Break

15:45 – 17:00	Third Session (group sessions) - continued The UNCAC Second review cycle: mock reviews Session Objective: Provide participants with practical experience of review of selected articles, country visit and observations.
17:00 – 17:30	Third Session (plenary) – continued The UNCAC Second review cycle: mock reviews Session Objective: Discuss the group exercise and present the outcomes.
17:30 – 17:45	Fourth session Wrap up Session Objective: Recap the key points discussed during the day

	Wednesday 22 September 2021
09:30 -	Fifth Session
11:00	Multi-stakeholder cooperation in the fight against corruption: Lessons learned and good practices
	Session Objective: Bring together civil society and government to share good practices, discuss challenges and consider avenues of building trust and enhancing cooperation among all relevant stakeholders to better manage corruption risks through multi-stakeholder initiatives and collective action.
	Moderator: Ms. Viktorija Nesterovaite, Programme Officer, UNODC Civil Society Unit
	Ms. Jelena Turanjanin, Expert Advisor, Agency for the prevention of Corruption and Coordination of the Fight against Corruption in Bosnia and Herzegovina
	Ms. Snezana Kamilovska Trpovska, Project Manager, Macedonian Center for International Cooperation
	Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska, RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor
	Ms. Danella Newman, Project Manager, UNCAC Coalition
11:00 – 11:15	Break
11:15 -	Sixth session
13:00	Nexus between corruption and organized crime
	Session Objective: To explore the linkages between corruption and organized crime, exchange lessons learned from the review mechanism of UNCAC and opportunities for anti-corruption stakeholders to engage in the review process of the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime.
	Speakers:
	Mr. Billy Batware, Programme Officer, UNODC Civil Society Unit

	Mr. Aleksandar Dordevic, National Project Officer, UNODC Programme Office in Serbia		
	Mr. Mathias Huter, Managing Director, UNCAC Coalition		
13:00 – 14:00	Lunch		
	** CSO only sessions **		
14:00 – 15:30	Seventh session - Engaging in the UNCAC Review Mechanism Session Objective: To highlight the benefits of engaging in the UNCAC review mechanism and how civil society organizations can use the review mechanism for advocacy, and discuss the support the Coalition offers.		
	Speakers: UNCAC Coalition		
15:30 – 15:45	Break		
15:45 – 17:00	Eight session - Sharing advocacy experiences on UNCAC and anti-corruption Session Objective: Civil society representatives share their experiences, success stories and challenges in advocating for stronger transparency and anti-corruption efforts in their countries. Participants share and learn about relevant tools and approaches, and identify what the priority issues in the region are. Speakers: Participants, UNCAC Coalition		
17:00 – 17:10	Break		
17:10 – 18:00	Ninth session - Wrap-up and next steps Session Objective: To discuss any remaining questions that came up in the previous sessions; to explore how the challenges and developments around anti-corruption in the region connect to global developments under the UNCAC, and how the UNCAC Coalition and participants can work together to jointly make a difference. Speakers: Participants, UNCAC Coalition		