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Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative

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List of Acronyms

ADA	Austrian Development Agency
AIRE	AIRE - Advice on Individual Rights in Europe Centre
APIK	Agency for Prevention of Corruption and Coordination of the Fight Against Corruption in BiH
BiH	Bosnia and Herzegovina
CEI	Central European Initiative
CEF	Centre for Excellence in Finance
CPL	Corruption Proofing of Legislation
CRA	Corruption Risk Assessment
CSO	Civil Society Organization
EC	European Commission
ECHR	European Convention on Human Rights
ECtHR	European Court on Human Rights
EU	European Union
GRECO	Group of States against Corruption (Council of Europe)
HJPC	High Judicial and Prosecutorial Council, BiH
IACA	International Anti-corruption Academy
IISG	Integrative Internal Security Governance
LEA	Law Enforcement Agencies
MoU	Memorandum of Understanding
NGO	Non-Governmental Organization
NCPA	Network of Corruption Prevention Authorities
OECD	Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development
OECD- ACN	OECD-Anti-Corruption Network
OSCE	Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe
RACVIAC	Regional Arms Control Verification and Implementation Assistance Centre
RAI	Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative
RCC	Regional Cooperation Council
ReSPA	Regional School of Public Administration
RYCO	Regional Youth Cooperation Council
SEE	South Eastern Europe
SELDI	Southeast European Leadership for Development and Integrity
SG	Steering Group
UNDP	United Nations Development Programme
UNODC	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
WB	Western Balkans

Preface

The Workplan 2021-2022 subject of this evaluation report was developed in 2020, the year we will all remember as a period of deep uncertainty and global fear of the future and for the future. We were not sure what tomorrow would bring for our team, our organization, the region.

Looking back to those days I conclude that RAI Secretariat was lucky. We had three large projects already up and running and the team was going strong. In fact, organizationally we were well equipped and agile enough to whether the storm. This was not intentional or planned by any means, but it was just a fact of life that today we recognize and are grateful for.

What has been intentional back in 2020 and today is our strong desire to fortify the organization, to justify its existence by giving it a clear mission and purpose. This beacon flairs with every new milestone, every new project. I believe that this resilience and drive forward is a nature of RAI.

We don't stand alone. We never did, and this is also a nature of RAI. Our friends always without exception welcomed our ideas and projects, joined forces with us on many occasions over the last two years. We must acknowledge our friends in our member countries, peer organizations and institutions across the region, and our donors.

In August 2022, when this Preface is written we ask ourselves what we have learned and what the future holds. Again, we are not sure, and clearly we cannot be hopeful. There is war and pandemic, and there is economic depression looming over the region and the world. Yet we feel energized to press on even stronger thinking of all the new opportunities for corruption that need addressing before poverty line gets pushed even further and margins broth forward.

One thing is certain, whatever the future has in store for all of us, we will look for better solutions together.

Laura Stefan
RAI Chairperson

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Executive Summary

RAI Secretariat stipulates its specific objectives in the Work Plan that is developed every two years and is subject of approval of the RAI Steering Group. The Work Plan represents a compilation of national needs, regional demands and international commitments of RAI member countries. Its intention is to set Secretariats' strategic direction and to inform the wider anti-corruption community and all the stakeholders. The Specific Objectives stipulated in the Work Plan are a product of joint efforts of Secretariat and the representatives of its member countries and observer countries alike.

The Secretariat maintains regular dialogue with the member countries in line with the key strategic goals embedded in their anti-corruption strategies and advocated by the Steering Group members. RAI Secretariat has cultivated a practice of transparent relations with its members, a practice of communicating frequently and sharing all relevant documents related to the work and project processes which fosters good working relations between the member countries.

The Work Plan is a subject of the Evaluation Report is prepared with the intention to encompass the work completed in the past two years, the lessons learned, and to offer recommendations on future paths. The Work Plan as well as this Report heavily focused on 4 key objectives:

1. Strengthening regional cooperation in asset disclosure
2. Strengthening integrity through transparent rules and procedures in the public sector
3. Whistleblowing – raising public awareness & strengthening national capacities
4. Strengthening the capacity of national authorities and enhancing regional cooperation in asset recovery

Bearing in mind the two very turbulent years that are behind us, reaching of said objectives entailed adjustments, redesigning the paths and building of new capacities.

The key takeaways from the evaluation process are that the Secretariat is on a steady course of growth and diversification. The next midterm period will also be dedicated to further growth and diversification of the Secretariat and RAI as of whole. RAI Secretariat's resources, the people and funding need to grow in order to stay on trend with the organization's and regional trends.

The programme objectives will remain as they are with the stronger extension of work into the security sector. This is a global trend that also affected the Southeast Europe. Whilst programme remains strong with several projects and relatively stable funding, promotion and external communications remain a challenge. This is the field that will be in focus in the coming period.

Relationships with member countries, partners and donors remain strong and stable. Further investments will be continued in the next period to grow the membership as well as partnerships and projects portfolio.

Introduction

RAI is a regional inter-governmental organization which in the past decade has become primary regional anti- corruption hub in the SEE region. RAI has built a common regional platform for discussions among the governments and civil society and has efficiently addressed its activities through training, peer-to-peer learning and sharing of good practices in a multidisciplinary setting.

In 2015 Secretariat introduced an evaluation process as a practice for introducing evaluation with the strategic planning as a basis for designing more achievable and measurable objectives and for advancing the organizational transparency and accountability.

The purpose of the Evaluation Report of the Work Plan (2021-2022) is to present the results achieved and challenges during the implementation period which will feed into the preparation of the new Work Plan (2023-2025). Secretariat will also utilise findings and recommendations of the programmatic external evaluations. The involvement of external stakeholders in the process will lead to an independent, objective and multi- approach evaluation of all components of the RAI work and will lead to a more result-oriented programming process.

The COVID-19 pandemic and the war in Ukraine brought new challenges which request for new approaches, strategies and for engagement of broader coalitions of actors, including the CSOs and youth population in the anti-corruption action, this new reality requires adaptation to new work and program modalities. The pandemic outbreak and war in Ukraine have provoked new corruption risks, especially in the public health procurement and in the disposal of the national and international financial aid, demanding for greater mobility of the anti-corruption bodies in connection with the CSOs and independent media. All these challenges will be reflected in the future strategic decisions.

The overall evaluation of the last two years shows a significant increase in targeted actions delivered and results achieved at the regional level as well as at the sub-regional level, number of partnerships established, increase in visibility, as well as improved program management in order to respond efficiently to the members' needs in all areas of RAI actions. Positive achievements in relation to the strategic and organizational capacities should be capitalized in the enhancement of the organization in the international for a through signing a new international agreement between the RAI member countries.

In the 2021-2022 Work Plan, RAI Secretariat consolidated the strategic approach by providing member countries with a more focused and in-depth assistance covered by the strategic objectives. In line with this, the Objectives encompassed by the Work Plan 2021-2022 were:

1. Strengthening regional cooperation in asset disclosure
2. Strengthening integrity through transparent rules and procedures in the public sector
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The Report will also review the three crosscutting themes: digitization of anti-corruption, gender mainstreaming and awareness raising. These are the themes that the Secretariat is gradually strengthening over the last 5 years. The objective for these themes is to streamline and include as many elements as possible in the projects and programmes.

The Report touches upon five identified potential areas of interest. These are niches or sectors that may be future fields where the Secretariat may branch into. These are:

1. Strengthening the individual and institutional integrity in law enforcement agencies
2. Public procurement
3. Promoting transparency in financing political parties and election campaigns
4. Promoting integrity in the private sector
5. Promotion of judicial integrity.

The presentation of the Report is geared towards providing a complete and well-structured information needed for obtaining the comprehensive picture assessing how justified conclusions are based on the linkages among the parts of the report

The Report will provide information on the context for the evaluation by, stakeholder involvement, evaluator or institutional credibility, alignment of evaluators with national institutions, bases for interpretation, budget, timing, national involvement, and alignment). The devised recommendations are designed to be clear and actionable and information on expected plans is provided.

The primary responsibility for preparing the Evaluation Report rests with the Programme Pillar of the Secretariat. Nevertheless, the entire Secretariat is deeply involved in its preparation. Key stakeholders have been involved in reviewing the first draft report to check if there are any relevant points that need further work or omissions that need rectifying. The Secretariat attempted to safeguard the principles of objectivity and impartiality as much as possible in drawing the conclusions from the findings.

Program management and key program objectives

The new reality of the last two years has reshaped the way Secretariat operates. The team shifted from office work to online work and then again in May 2021 returned to office work but in unpredictable conditions. Secretariat now operates via hybrid regional meetings and consultations in combination with the in-person events supporting the regional networking processes among practitioners across the region during the periods of decreased international mobility.

The underlying goal of these meetings is also to discuss the expectations related to the implementation of the RAI project deliverables, as well obtaining feedback and timely addressing the implementation gaps and the possible mitigations measures.

RAI is fully aware of the context, the external and internal factors, risks with an impact on the progress of the projects' implementation such as changes in the governmental structures, overturn of the staff and the COVID restrictions. RAI has put lot of efforts in promoting its visibility and promotion at all relevant online and recently anti-corruption events that resulted in the increased reputation and recognition as the leading platform for connecting the anti-corruption professionals and for sharing the knowledge and good practice in very specific anti-corruption and integrity areas.

Importance of RAI in the regional peer-to-peer cooperation and exchange of practices among the anti-corruption agencies especially in situations where they face similar unprecedented situations and problems is undisputable. Facilitating the effective exchange among the bodies can aid in effective identification of new areas of cooperation, new topics, and emerging objectives to be included in the next Work Plan.

The actions and results achieved in the last two years are a testament to Secretariats agility and adaptability.

PO 1 - Strengthening Regional Cooperation in Asset Disclosure

Asset disclosure is one of the major tools for preventing and detecting illicit enrichment and conflicts of interest among public officials. Therefore, many countries of this world have an asset declaration system in place. Countries usually require public officials to declare not only domestic, but also foreign income and assets. Where this is not the case yet, international monitoring bodies, such as UNCAC Peer Review or GRECO, recommended doing so.

RAI commitment to strengthening regional cooperation on data exchange in asset disclosure and conflict of interest has stretched over last three Work Plans. This is Secretariat's oldest and the most ambitious action. The original Regional Programme was implemented in the period 2015-2020. The Programme was implemented in partnership with UNODC and funded by the Austrian Development Agency.

In early 2020, RAI and UNODC agreed to continuation of the Regional Program. With strong support from the Project titled **"South East Europe – Together Against Corruption (hereinafter: SEE-TAC)"** again funded by the Austrian Development Agency was initiated in November 2020 and is planned to go on by October 2023.

Under the auspices of a new Regional Program, RAI Secretariat organized the Signing Ceremony of the International Treaty on Exchange of Data for the Verification of Asset Declarations, on March 19th, 2021 in Belgrade after the signing ceremony has been postponed in 2020 due to the outbreak of COVID-19. Republic of Serbia, the host of the signing ceremony and designated depository of the Treaty, North Macedonia and Montenegro were the first signatories of the Treaty. RAI Secretariat held a number of working meetings with the representatives from the relevant institutions of the three signatory jurisdictions to discuss the updates on the status of Treaty ratification.

To support the signatory jurisdictions in taking steps towards the implementation of the International Treaty, RAI Secretariat prepared the paper 'International Treaty on Exchange of Data for the Verification of Asset Declarations: Integrating the Treaty into National Laws'. The paper provides guidelines in relation to what extent the domestic legislation needs to be amended beyond the approval of the Treaty by Parliaments. Unofficial translations of the Paper on integrating the Treaty into national legal order were sent to relevant institutions in the initial three signatory states.

RAI Secretariat organized Regional Meeting on the International Treaty on Exchange of Data for the Verification of Asset Declarations on December 20, 2022 in Podgorica Montenegro. Regional Meetingbrought together the practitioners and experts from the Southeast Europe who manage and are involved in the processes of reception and verification of the asset declarations. Meeting provided the opportunity to take stock of the current state of affairs in all jurisdictions, exchange good practices from Croatia, Moldova and Ukraine, and to discuss future steps regarding the International Treaty implementation.

During the Regional Meeting, Secretariat introduced the Treaty preliminary blueprint for the way forward in 2023 and beyond. The blueprint entails complying with how to further work on strengthening legal and institutional capacities and expertise for the operationalization of the International Treaty. It also entails a common understanding of the communication and advocacy approach for the promotion of cooperation in asset disclosure at the regional level, as well as future activities on promoting cooperation among the future focal points and other parties in charge of the asset declarations management.

Throughout the Report period Secretariat held several in-person high-level meetings with representatives of relevant institutions in the accession countries to discuss the plan for the accession of these jurisdictions to the International Treaty. In parallel, RAI Secretariat held numerous meetings with the representatives from the RAI EU Member and Observer states (Bulgaria, Croatia, Romania, Slovenia) as well as with Austria as the facilitator of the Treaty negotiation to discuss their possible accession to the Treaty and their support to the process of accession of other EU Member states and the states in the region. Constant consultations with the Ambassadors and other representatives of the EU Delegations in the RAI Member countries were held to gain the EU support to this international legal instrument. RAI Secretariat has intensively worked on promoting the Treaty at numerous conferences organized by regional and international organizations, CSOs and their organizations and networks.

RAI delegation participated the 9th session of the Conference of States Parties (CoSP) to the United Nations Convention against Corruption. Implementing partners (RAI & UNODC) have taken an active role and organized Special side event "Southeast Europe together against corruption". Moreover, RAI Secretariat has submitted a Conference room paper: The International Treaty for the Verification of Asset Declarations.

Further work on the promotion and implementation of the Treaty will be realized through the implementation of the Goal 2 - Further strengthening conflict of interest and asset declaration systems,

of the Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap for Western Balkans (hereinafter ACIF Roadmap) Secretariat started implementing in partnership with UNODC as a lead partner.

The Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap for Western Balkans is implemented under the UNODC Regional Programme for SEE 2020-2023, where RAI is the main implementing partner based on the Project Cooperation Agreement. RAI contribution l entails providing an expert advice and ensuring further regional ownership.

The International Treaty for Verification of the Asset Declarations remains Secretariat's key process and region's important platform for dialogue on exchange in the field of Asset Disclosure.

PO 2 - Strengthening Integrity Through Transparent Rules and Procedures in the Public Sector

During the evaluation period RAI Secretariat focused its efforts on promotion of transparency and quality of the legislative process through enhancing the capacities of the legislative bodies and the CSOs to implement the corruption proofing legislation (CPL) mechanism in the areas mostly affected by corruption, thus strengthening the implementation of the mechanism for detection and minimization of risk of future corruption in the legislation drafting. In parallel, RAI worked on strengthening the implementation of the corruption risk assessment (CRA) mechanism through a set of measures aimed at enticing and supporting the relevant government officials and appropriate governmental bodies to move away from discretionary decision-making to rule-based political and administrative decision-making, by way of implementing the corruption risk assessment mechanisms.

Same as with the Program Objective 1, general support in the implementation of these mechanisms began under the auspices of the Regional Program implemented in the period 2015-2020. The second phase of the aforementioned project SEE-TAC was initiated in November 2020 and is planned to go on by October 2023. The second stage of the Program brought a more sectoral approach to the implementation of CRA and CPL mechanisms. The sectoral approach is expected to complement both the previous support and to provide the national focal institutions the options for a 'deep dive' into the sectors where tailor-made approach can make the greatest effect.

The sectors were identified through a dialogue with the beneficiaries from the region, allowing them to pinpoint the gaps and decide which sectors would benefit the most.

Research was undertaken for the purpose of identifying sectors that project activities will focus on. The process was completed at the regional meeting took place on July 9, 2021. The consensus was reached on the higher education and public enterprises sector as two sectors where project interventions would have the highest impact.

With an aim to assist national jurisdictions in identifying and decreasing corruption risks, corruption risk factors, as well as regulatory corruption risk factors in RAI Secretariat developed Corruption Risk Assessment and Corruption Proofing of Legislation Guidance with Checklists for Higher Education and Public Enterprises.

Series of tailor-made capacity-building exercises accompanied the development of the publications. Overall objective of these training is to develop the capacity of participants from relevant public

authorities to apply CRA and CPL guidelines for Higher Education and Public Enterprises sector in their everyday work.

First training for higher education and public enterprises representatives RAI Secretariat organized in Tirana, Albania on May 12th and 13th. The training proved to be very practical as the participants had the opportunity to participate in brainstorming and constructive discussions. Sarajevo, Podgorica and other locations followed.

CRA and CPL Guidance and Checklist and accompanying capacity-building exercises proved as innovative for participants in their everyday issues when dealing with corruption.

RAI Secretariat also developed CRA and CPL monitoring and evaluation methodologies with an aim to strengthen beneficiary capacities for monitoring and impact assessment of the CRA and CPL mechanisms. The methodologies are intended to be used by practitioners in the public sector as well as by targeted CSOs dealing with anti-corruption.

To alleviate the consequences of the changing environment Secretariat has worked to establish the online education platform to support and boost the process of learning, networking, exchange of information and connectivity in the field of anti-corruption. One of the courses is dedicated to CRA as preventive mechanism and tool to strengthen a culture of integrity and prevent corruption drawing on both national

and international experiences. This course will equip target professionals with knowledge and help them advance implementation of CRA mechanism and use gained knowledge in their daily work.

Corruption Risk Assessment and Corruption Proofing of Legislation work implemented in the region continues to be well received and requested by the member countries and respective practitioners. The surveys indicate that the trainings and capacity building events the Secretariat is delivering are seen as strong learning opportunities by the participates.

PO 3 - Whistleblowing – Raising Public Awareness & Strengthening National Capacities

The Strategic Objective on Whistleblowing is strongly aligned with the national priorities and beneficiaries' needs as well with the other regional and international organizations action in this field. The Work Plan followed the latest GRECO practice for enhancing the sectoral whistleblowing policies and the whistleblowers protection in the LEA under the Fifth Round Evaluation[1], and uses as benchmark for its activities the EU Directive on Whistleblower Protection[2].

During the Evaluation period, Secretariat focused on strengthening the capacities of targeted public institutions regarding the safe disclosure channels and protection of whistleblowers, promotion and support to the civil society in advocacy and promotion of whistleblowing. The actions and deliverables were all implemented under the auspices of the EU-funded Regional Project for WB and Moldova. Key highlights of the project were publishing and promoting the adoption and implementation of recommendations of Gap Analysis of Whistleblower Protection Laws in the Western Balkans and Moldova, development of model Provisions for Whistleblower Protection Laws direct engagement with representatives of public institutions (to facilitate the process of implementation of recommendations of Gap Analysis) and provision of training to public institutions and CSOs, as well as opportunities for peer-to-peer and cross-sectoral exchanges between public institutions and CSOs.

Secretariat is particularly proud of regional public information and education campaign to promote the use of whistleblower protection laws, and promote whistleblowing through direct engagement with youth at national level. Implementation of the multiyear Regional Information and Education Campaign activities included: 1. Guerrilla Campaign, 2. Social Media Campaign and 3. Social Experiment

The regional peer-to-peer meeting of public institutions, delivered on November 16, 2021, in Sarajevo, BiH online, the First Annual Multi-Beneficiary Training on Whistleblower Protection, delivered on February 9 and 11, 2021 took place online. The Secretariat also used the opportunity to organize the annual meeting of the SEE Coalition on Whistleblower Protection at the same venue. Supported and co-organized five events to promote whistleblowing and whistleblower protection among youth, one in each Sarajevo (August 2021), Tirana (December 2021), Budva (March 2022), Skopje (May 2022) and Nis (July 2022)

Development of the whistleblowing learning platform on RAI website will ensure part of the project sustainability.

During the reporting period Project was communicated and promoted at different regional and international events and platforms (e.g. organized by OSCE, EPAC, NCPA, UNODC, DCAF).

Secretariat won the EPAC/EACN 2021 Award for the most innovative and successful anticorruption project - Whistle for the End Guerrilla Campaign at the 20th EPAC/EACN Annual Professional Conference and General Assembly, held in Vilnius, Lithuania (December 1 -2, 2021).

Continued work on promotion and support to the whistleblowing national agendas and respective CSOs should remain at the forefront of the Work Plan. The work implemented thus far with the national institutions and civil society sector positioned the Secretariat as an expert organization committed to the cause.

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[1] GRECO Fifth Round Evaluation https://www.coe.int/en/web/greco/evaluations/round-5-new
[2] https://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32019L1937

PO 4 - Strengthening Capacities of Authorities and Enhancing Reg Cooperation in AR

During the evaluation period, Secretariat continued its work on strengthening the capacities of law enforcement and judiciaries and promoting regional cooperation in the field of asset recovery. Most of the actions implemented in cooperation with the AIRE Centre in a joint regional project titled "Strengthening anti-corruption in South East Europe through improving asset seizure measures" which started in 2018 was finalized in March 2021.

In finalizing the first project, the 2nd edition of the Report on asset recovery and international cooperation in the Western Balkans was issued. The Project closing conference was held on 9 March 2021 in a hybrid format. Nearly 100 participants joined from a central studio in Sarajevo, six hubs based in the regional capitals, and from their offices.

The second phase of the project titled "Combating corruption and organized crime in the Western Balkans through strengthening regional cooperation in asset recovery" commenced in September 2021 and is planned to go on by March 2024.

Asset recovery was also an integral part of the 16th (Online) edition of RAI Summer School which was dedicated to specific topics including anti-money laundering, asset tracing, and evidence collection.

The first major event under the new project was the Regional Conference on Effective Asset Recovery in Compliance with European Standards organized in cooperation with the Ministry of Justice of North Macedonia in Skopje on November 3 and 4, 2021. Responding to the need for effective coordination among the technical assistance providers in the field of asset recovery in the Western Balkans, RAI and AIRE Centre have initiated the coordination process involving all major regional stakeholders active in this field, through a series of two online and one in-person meeting, held on September 27, 2021, January 21, 2022 and June 29, 2022 in Belgrade. This process and asset recovery capacity building in the region is documented in the report "Mapping Current Asset Recovery Technical Assistance Projects in the Western Balkans", which is periodically updated and distributed among the donors and technical assistance providers. The regular Technical Assistance Providers coordination meetings have been organized and highly appreciated and considered a good practice by the donor community.

Another milestone event under the project was the Annual Alumni Conference "Strengthening Regional Cooperation in Asset Recovery to Combat Corruption and Organized Crime", which gathered around 70 asset recovery practitioners from the SEE in Tirana on March 16.

The outcomes of this event were essential for the formulation and establishing of the Regional Asset Recovery Network (AR Network) and the supporting online AR Platform (arrplatform.org), which were launched in June 2022. The platform is available in English, as well as in languages spoken in the SEE region.

In addition to several in-person capacity-building events, the practice of regional online seminars on various topics concerning asset recovery was introduced, with seminars attracting over 100 participants per event. The combination of in-person and online capacity-building events was found to be effective in terms of reaching practitioners in the region, as well as providing room for peer-to-peer discussions and regional networking.

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Cross cutting topics

Digitization of anti-corruption

The concept of digitization of anti-corruption has been recognized by the Secretariat back in 2019 as a emerging topic in the region and globally. The trends were visible that the governments are looking at the digitalisation reform as the way to simplification of administrative processes and the rationalisation of regulatory policy.

Due to COVID-19, digital technology has been transforming people's lives, societies, and economies with unprecedented speed and scale, delivering immense opportunities as well as daunting challenges.

There are also more subtle integrity benefits of said digitalization efforts. This is the field that the Secretariat is attempting to focus on. Digitalization of anti-corruption from Secretariat's perspective allows for more effective oversight by public institutions and enables for more transparency and accountability by the institutions and public sector in general.

Secretariat's concrete implementation efforts in this field are limited because digitalization of member countries require a thorough, systematic and strategic preparation and planning of the human, financial and technical resources and investing greater time and effort in developing detailed and end-user-focused solutions to meet emerging needs.

Nevertheless, in switching into a digital environment, RAI has introduced an online platform and applied Learning Management System platform (LMS) content and on-line educational tools. The Platform provides training modules and tools for Self-assessment Tool for Whistleblower Protection Systems, Public Legal Education on Whistleblowing and Corruption Risk Assessment

Building on this path, Secretariat also developed and promoted the online Platform for professionals - The Regional Asset Recovery Network (AR Network). This Platform is a space for committed professionals and experts in the field to strengthen links and collaboration. The goal is to advance partnerships and encourage a regional approach to asset recovery. The Platform creates a setting in which dialogue and cooperation in the region can continue to grow, helping to implement and embed relevant international standards throughout the region. More information about the platform, you may find at: https://arrplatform.org/.

In terms of future endeavours, Secretariat is also pursuing a project proposal with Centre of Security and Crime Sciences - University of Trento, University of Verona, ANAC Italy, CACIAF and CSD Bulgaria and ANI Romania with the general objective to strengthen EU member states and candidate states corruption prevention institutions and stakeholders by intensifying cooperation and building knowledge about asset and interest disclosure systems. The project will focus on developing digital solutions and tools for monitoring and tracking data.

Digitalization will remain a cross cutting topic in the Secretariat since it is a matter that is present and will grow in the future. Secretariat wishes to be current with the global trends and technology capacities are one of the fastest growing in the good governance.

Gender mainstreaming

The Secretariat continuously works on strengthening the principle of equal opportunity in segments of internal processes and all projects and programmes integrate gender mainstreaming approach in the Project Cycle Management. Corruption-prevention tools and mechanisms developed during projects are gender mainstreamed, while the beneficiaries are encouraged to assume a gender aware approach in the implementation of projects activities and beyond.

RAI entered more in-depth in the field of gender and corruption through the participation and active contribution to different conferences and events organized by third parties.
In March 2022, RAI Secretariat had a meeting with the OSCE Gender Issue Department in Vienna and discussed the possible cooperation and the OSCE support to the RAI regarding building internal capacities through training, utilization of the OSCE online tools and handbook and will continue exploring ideas for a joint project at a regional level. Following the RAI endeavors towards more systematic approach in the field of gender equality, RAI will continue the consultations with other possible partners such as RACVIAC and MARRI who have developed a sound expertise and consider the topic from a regional perspective.

Secretariat staff is also engaged in raising awareness about the need and importance of gender mainstreaming, including the formal communication to beneficiaries, by using gender sensitive language, ensuring all documents are gender mainstreamed, etc.

The Chief Program and Communications Officer acts as a gender focal point for the Secretariat ensuring that the new capacity remains sustained and embedded into organizational structures, as well as the Programme.

Secretariat has entered a phase of gender awareness that evident in all aspects of its work. The team will continue to pursue opportunities for a stand-alone project that would focus on corruption and gender.

Awareness raising

Public anti-corruption education and awareness, through producing of accessible materials has been in the focus of the Secretariat in the last two years. This was supplemented by implementation of the regional public awareness campaign to sensitize public and public authorities about whistleblowing, targeting more specifically the youth and scholars. In parallel, under the SEE-TAC project, Secretariat worked on increasing the public awareness on the preventive of corruption measures undertaken through targeted advocacy actions.

Promotion of RAI and its values was in the focus of participation at different regional and national event as well as in the international fora. The regular working meetings and field missions in the region represented valuable resources for gathering information aimed at identifying the current and future needs of the beneficiaries that provided inputs for our future strategic goals and objectives which will be stipulated in the next Work Plan.

In 2021 facilitation of the COVID restrictions opened the door for RAI's intensive activities and for organizing bilateral meetings in all member countries. The presence at the RAI and other organizations' events were utilized as an opportunity for consultation and working meetings with the high-level officials from all three branches of the governments, the anti-corruption agencies, and other representatives from the public sector, CSOs, representatives from the Delegations to the European Union and other embassies and projects.

This cross-cutting topic is visible in all Secretariat's projects and it provided RAI Secretariat with the opportunity to directly engage in dialogue with the youth, general public, media, CSOs and public institutions.

Human Rights Based Approach

RAI incorporated a human rights-based approach in its internal policies in 2016. Ever since, RAI Secretariat promotes anti-discrimination by promoting that the impact of corruption is looked at from all perspectives, including gender, disability and poverty. The Secretariat strengthened the principle of equal opportunity in all segments of internal processes, starting from the selection procedures, providing for achieving workforce diversity in terms of gender, nationality and culture.

Potential sectors and topics of interest

In the Work Plan 2021-2022 there were five identified areas of interest. Bearing in mind the difficult context that the Region and a world was under, the Secretariat focused all its efforts of retaining and implementing the key strategic (primary) objectives. Minimal actions were conducted into looking the potential areas.

Strengthening the individual and institutional integrity in law enforcement agencies and their regional cooperation

RAI entered into this specific topic and will further work on strengthening the capacities of the LEA through the implementation of all three goals of the AC and IF Roadmap project Goal 1: Preventing and countering corruption in public procurement, including in times of crises (1.8- By 2024, jurisdictions have improved capacity to investigate, prosecute and adjudicate corruption offences related to public procurement fraud; Goal 2: Further strengthening conflict of interest and asset declaration systems 2.3. Further develop an asset declaration system for key targeted public administrations'/institutions' employee groups- possibly for LEA in line with the GRECO 5 Round Evaluation recommendations and more specifically under the Goal 3: Enhancing criminal justice responses to corruption and economic crime through the creation of a regional network of specialized prosecutors, law enforcement and financial intelligence units in the Western Balkans Jurisdiction.

Towards the involvement in the field of corruption as a threat to the national, regional and international security, RAI has continued the regular cooperation with RACVIAC, OSCE and EPAC/EACN and has become a member of the IISG and NCPA. RAI Secretariat will continue seeking for partners and with the beneficiaries to identify the possible project ideas for supporting the units for professional standards and internal control and for developing sectoral corruption risk management.

Furthermore, RAI is in the process of negotiation of a Memorandum of Understanding with the Migration Asylum Refugee Regional Initiative (MAARI) and MAARI Member countries representatives to discuss the possible joint project on introducing and promoting integrity policies and anti-corruption measures in the border police.

Further actions could be conducted in partnering with OLAF and MONEYVAL for enhancing the capacities of the LEAs for more efficient financial investigation, application of the asset recovery legislation and improving the regional and international cooperation in asset recovery cases.

RAI Secretariat will pursue the work in the security sector with its partners and stakeholders. In the light of the current global circumstances

Public procurement

Considering the new realities of pandemic and increased vulnerability of the health sector that requires a concerted response, RAI has entered in the development of the mechanism for prevention and suppression of corruption and solving conflict of interest in the public procurement process. The implementation of this potential area is partly addressed under the Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap for Western Balkans or ACIF Roadmap, particularly its goal 1: Preventing and countering corruption in public procurement, including in times of crises in line with the UNCAC and relevant EU Directives to establish public procurement systems based on the fundamental principles of transparency, competition and objective decision-making by implementing effective measures.

Regarding the public procurement in the health sector as envisaged in the Work Plan 2021-2022, under the Primary Objectives 1 and 3 the Secretariat has made an effort to enter into the sectoral risk assessment and developing whistleblowing policies in the health sector, but based on the regional dialogue, the beneficiaries found that the health sector institutions have become overwhelmed as an inevitable consequence of the covid 19 and not well prepared for additional obligations deriving from possible project activities.

Continued cooperation is developed with CEF and CIPFA in the area of knowledge sharing and learning in the area of effective financial and public asset management control as key elements to ensure good governance and transparency and integrity in public spending.

Promoting transparency in financing political parties and election campaigns

Due to the fact that this area is specific and requires a specialized knowledge and partnerships RAI has not entered into this field. This topic is still very relevant in the region given the fact that the member countries have included it as a vulnerable to corruption area and due to the frequent elections, dangers of corruption risks in the legislation covering this sensitive area and the turbulence these elections cause in the field of good governance and anti-corruption (party funding, bribing the electoral body etc. are significant. Because of this and the fact that there are other international organizations already operating in this field for a considerable amount of time, Secretariat will not pursue this topic in the next Work Plan.

Integrity in Private Sector

The objective has been partly addressed under the SEE-TAC project as a continuation of the collaboration with the private sector that was started with the first ADA Regional Programme. Namely, Secretariat has enhanced cooperation among the CSOs with the private sector and with the Chambers of Commerce and business associations for more effective contribution to the UNCAC Reviewing process and enhancing their knowledge and cooperation in corruption prevention.

RAI will continue its efforts to strengthen the cooperation with the private sector as relevant partner to the CSO in their corrective and monitoring role on the transparency and accountability of the public sector and enhancing their internal capacities for promoting effective corruption risk management and conflict of interest policies.

Promotion of judicial integrity

Towards promoting the integrity of judges and prosecutors as guarantors for protecting human rights RAI has partnered with the UNODC Judicial Integrity Network in the organization of the 17 Edition of the Summer School 2022 dedicated to the judicial integrity. RAI promoted the UNODC publications and online education tools and UNODC training sites in the SEE judiciaries. Possible cooperation has been discussed with the RCC for a regional conference on selected topics in the area of judicial integrity in 2023. RAI Secretariat actively participates with the in-house expertise in the EC Expert Group on EU Judicial Training.

Summer School for Junior Anti-corruption practitioners from the SEE

In the period of 5-7 July 2021, RAI Secretariat organized the 16th Edition of the Summer School for Junior Anti-corruption practitioners from the SEE (online), bringing together the representatives from the anti-corruption bodies, investigators and prosecutors and distinguished experts/trainers in the fields of asset recovery, intelligence development, mutual legal assistance, anti-corruption, and money laundering in online format.

In the period of 4-7 July 2022, RAI Secretariat organized the 17th Edition of the Summer School, co-hosted by the National Institute of Justice of Bulgaria and co-funded by Central European Initiative The 17th Edition of the Summer School enabled junior practitioners to learn about the latest developments and practices in the field of judicial integrity and guide them in identifying the mechanisms for the prevention of corruption and promoting transparent and reasoned decision-making processes.

The RAI primary asset are the member countries and the key beneficiaries. The RAI key priority was promoting the constant and continuous dialogue and partnership with the national beneficiaries for further strengthen their anti-corruption efforts that fit into the new economic, political and social environment imposed by the lockdown and post covid era.

Regional and international cooperation

The RAI Work Plan 2021-2022 objectives were aligned with the national strategies and key conclusions taken from the Berlin process summits conclusions for strengthening the WB systems of preventing corruption and boosting regional cooperation in this area.

Participation at numerous conferences at the national, regional and international level had a two-fold impact: presentation of RAI activities in the targeted fields and acquiring information on the current and planned needs and expectations of our existing and possibly new beneficiaries, such as business community, youth, all in line with their strategic documents and policies.

Key partners on this path were:

UNODC

The long-standing strategic partnership established in 2015 with the effective implementation of the first ADA funded Regional Programme, (2015-2020) brought together the two organizations in a cooperation in translating institutional and legal progress in anti-corruption into meaningful implementation, a project

with highly positive feedback from the beneficiaries about the deliverables produced. The cooperation continued with the sequel SEE-TAC project. Secretariat and UNODC have organized crossover activities to capitalize on RAI's strong network and UNODC's civil society focus and introduced a practice of more profiling of the partnership and visibility at each other events.

The SEE-TAC programme will also undergo a Independent Evaluation of Global Programme "Partnership and Engagement with Non-Governmental Stakeholders on Anti-Corruption, Drugs, and Crime Prevention" (GLOU68), in the period from October 2022- October 2023.

The Work Plan period was marked with RAI participation and organization of the special event in the partnership with the UNODC Civil Society Unit during the 9th Session of the CoSP to the UNCAC, on December 16 in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt that placed the organization at the global anti-corruption scene. The special event 'Southeast Europe TOGETHER Against Corruption' emphasized the importance of working together in the fight against corruption and was organized under the SEE-TAC project. At this occasion, RAI Secretariat has submitted a Conference room paper: The International Treaty for the Verification of Asset Declarations. RAI Secretariat had a consultation meeting regarding the draft adopted Resolution on Strengthening the implementation of UNCAC at regional levels. On the margins of the event, RAI Delegation had a number of bilateral side meetings with partners and relevant stakeholders.

Further to this and following the proposal at the 37th Steering Group meeting by the Romanian representative in the RAI SG, Romania has formalized its leadership role through facilitating the process of application preparation and submission of the application for RAI becoming an Observer to COSP.

The relationship with UNODC has developed in yet another direction. The ACIF Roadmap project is a result of a two-years intensive negotiation and development of the regional anti-corruption and illicit finance roadmap, adopted at the ministerial conference in Ohrid in June 2021 Regional Forum in Ohrid. Secretariat participated in the development of the document and in the preparation and technical support of the Conference.

ACIF Roadmap is implemented under the UNODC Regional Programme for SEE 2020-2023, where RAI is the main implementing partner based on the Project Cooperation Agreement with the UNODC as the lead project partner.

AIRE Center

The RAI Secretariat and AIRE Center cooperation continues through the implementation of the new AR Asset Recovery Project II "Combating corruption and Organized Crime in the Western Balkans through strengthening regional cooperation in asset recovery" 2021-2024 supported by the UK government. Based on the lessons learned and past experiences, the work is focused in further enhancing the capacities of the asset recovery practitioners, development of online platform that serves as a ground that enables exchange of good practice, case-law and experiences, and publishing of the knowledge resources, and further operationalization of the established Alumni Network. Through the KAS support RAI Secretariat enabled the participation of Bulgaria, Croatia, Moldova and Romania in project activities in 2022.

Regional Cooperation Council (RCC)

In 2021 RAI contributed to the SEE 2030 Strategy Annual Monitoring Cycle as the Regional coordinator in anti-corruption. Secretariat continued with its contribution to the RCC Balkan Barometer 2021 and participated at its presentation. With the establishment of the new IISG Secretariat under the umbrella of RCC, RAI Secretariat in cooperation with different regional organizations participated in the development of the SecuriMeter, the first-ever public opinion survey on security issues conducted among the citizens of the Western Balkans, inclusive the anti-corruption issues in the context of national and regional security.

Since 2021, RAI together with the RCC have actively cooperated with the SELDI in the implementation of the project: Established Regional Good Governance Public-Private Partnership Platform (R2G4P).

Integrative Internal Security Governance (IISG)

Further building on the cooperation with RCC is the partnership with IISG. Since establishment of the new IISG Secretariat under the auspice of the RCC, RAI established the intensive dialogue with the IISG and RCC leadership in the negotiations for the IPA 2020-2024 Multi-action Plan in line with the work plans of the both organizations. In 2021, RAI Secretariat held several managerial and technical level meetings with the IISG, in view of preparing the proposal for membership in the IISG At the 6th IISG Board meeting in June 2022, RAI became the IISG member and has been highly considered for its contribution to the IISG process.

The benefits of combining efforts and the membership in the IISG for RAI and its members are in the following: membership does not include any financial implications, members are expected to provide input for the IISG mapping, data collection and analytical processes, while in turn they obtain access to IISG needs and gap mapping products, as well as internal databases entailing needs mapping, response mapping, mapping support, analyses and reports aimed at improving the efficiency and governance of internal security. Complementarity of activities undertaken by both RAI and IISG as the coordination partner bringing together the WB partners and the benefits of combining efforts, in particular under the WB Counter-Serious Crime initiative is important especially in the light of RAI's extensive expertise on fighting corruption and secures enhancing of the RAI visibility in front of the IISG member states and the European Commission.

CEF and CIPFA

RAI Secretariat held a working meeting with the CEF Director in July 2021 to discuss avenues for establishing cooperation in the akin areas of the organizations' work plans, exchange of know-how and experts in the specific areas, as well as mutual promotion of both organizations' knowledge resource. Following the visit both organizations staff discussed the possibilities for cooperation in 2022 under the new CEF Work Plan and in October participated at the Exchange of experience and know-how session on institutional development and development of online training platform.

In parallel, RAI Secretariat participated at the 2021 and 2022 CEF and CIPFA regional conferences (Skopje and Tirana) and presented the RAI activities and with the representatives from the audit institutions considered the possibilities to expend the anti-corruption and integrity portfolio in the area of public financial management.

NCPA

The NCPA's focus is on the joint efforts to globally improve collection and dissemination of best practice and experiences in prevention of corruption and networking among the anticorruption authorities. RAI commenced the cooperation with the NCPA under the 2021 Presidency of the Agency for Prevention of Corruption of Republic of Serbia (ACA). RAI Secretariat become a partner to the Network and participated at the NCPA Plenary Session on September 16 and December 10 participated at the NCPA Plenary Sessions. Under the current Presidency (2022) of the Network by the Hellenic National Transparency Authority, RAI actively participated with its in-house expert at the Plenary meetings, thematic webinars, provided comments to the NCPA Annual Work Plan 2022, guides and contributed to the NCPA newsletter with the projects' updates. The benefits of the NCPA-RAI partnership are substantiated on the complementarity in the goals and endeavors, which focus on strengthening the integrity, while taking into account the composition, the Network events grants an opportunity for increasing the RAI visibility at the global level.

Regional Youth Cooperation Office (RYCO)

Following the successful cooperation in 2021, through the organization of the survey on the youth knowledge on whistleblowing under the EU funded WB project, RAI Secretariat undertook necessary steps for formalizing the cooperation. The meeting in December 2021 resulted in preparation and approval of the MoU by the RYCO and RAI SG. On 11 May in Tirana Albania, Head of RAI Secretariat and the Secretary General of the RYCO, Mr. Albert Hani signed the Memorandum of Understanding setting out general principles of cooperation. The MoU
Is in line with the conclusions of the Berlin Process Summits on the importance of the young people for the future of the region, and for encouraging their social and economic inclusion and involvement as promoters of a new culture of and integrity through tailored raising awareness regional exercises.

IACA

In August 2021 RAI team had a working meeting with the Dean of the IACA Mr. Tomas Stelzer to discuss potential areas for cooperation. Following SG approval, the MoU with the IACA has been signed on September 27, 2021.

IACA-RAI partnership has a substantive potential in terms of making a sustainable impact on prevention and fight against corruption in the region and in generating the capacity-building program for anti-corruption practitioners from the region. IACA is looking for funding opportunities for IACA-RAI joint endeavors.

RACVIAC

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RAI and RACVIAC have permanently promoted each other visibility through the RAI presentation of the activities at the 46 and 47 MAG Steering Body (2021 and 2022) which gathers representatives of Members, Associate Members, Observers, participants, and partners. On these occasions RAI confirmed its commitment to participate in the joint organization of the 2022 and 2023 Regional Workshop on Strengthening Integrity in the Security Sector. RAI and RACVIAC jointly organized and successfully held the online Regional Workshop Strengthening Integrity in the Security Sector on May 6-7 2021. In November 2021, RAI Secretariat lead by the Head, met with the RACVIAC Director, the discussion was focused on the topics for the joint regional workshop in May 2022 and towards the promoting the cooperation in the field of corruption and security.

On 18-19 May, Rakitje, 2022 Croatia, RAI Secretariat and RACVIAC delivered a two-day regional workshop on whistleblowing and whistleblower protection to representatives of ministries of defense, ministries of justice, anti-corruption and law enforcement agencies.

Building on the bilateral consultations, in the period to come RAI will explore the channels for promoting the cooperation in the field of fight against organized crime and corruption as a threat to the security and its negative implications on the national security in the SEE (November 2022, Security Challenge Conference).

OECD

RAI Secretariat participated as a member of the OECD-ACN Monitoring Team in process of preparation of the Pilot Monitoring Evaluation for Moldova and in the process of revision of the performance indicators "Independence of Judiciary" following the 5 Pilot monitoring process in 5 ACN members.

The cooperation with the OECD also continued within the SEE Academic Anti-Corruption Group in the framework of the project "Fair Market Conditions for Competitiveness in the Adriatic Region regarding developing anti-corruption curricula and introducing anti-corruption legal clinics at the tertiary education, inclusive the topics under the RAI in-house and external expertise.

Both organizations intensively work on promoting each other visibility and in this regard, RAI presented the current and planned RAI programmatic activities at the at the OECD 2021 Global Anti-Corruption and Integrity Forum, at the 21st OECD-ACN Plenary Steering Group Meeting on October 2021 as well as at the SEE OECD 2nd Academic Roundtable in May 2022. OECD was one of the RAI partners at the 17th Edition of the Summer School where the OECD representative presented the learning knowledge products in the field of integrity of the public officials.

CEI

In the reporting period RAI continued with the implementation of the MoU with the CEI signed in 2019 in Rome to the best extent possible, having in mind the circumstances brought upon by the COVID-19 pandemic. A new MoU is finalized and approved by the RAI and CEI leadership, and the signing ceremony is planned by the end of 2022.

CEI financially supported the RAI project "Development of course(s) for the SEE Regional Anticorruption Education Platform". The contribution covers development and implementation of one online course on corruption risk assessment mechanism which process is undergoing by the assigned experts in the field. In February 2022, RAI Secretariat submitted the application for CEI Cooperation Fund for contribution for the organization of the 17th Edition of the RAI Summer School under the 2022 CEI Presidency of Bulgaria, the application was awarded a grant from the CEI Cooperation Fund. The new MoU will open the room for new cooperation opportunities.

EPAC/EACN

Starting from 2021, RAI Secretariat has intensified the relations with the EPAC, prepared a video contribution for marking the 20th Anniversary of the EPAC and regularly sent contributions to the EPAC newsletter, thus promoting the most recent RAI activities. RAI Secretariat participated in 20th EPAC/EACN Annual Professional Conference and General Assembly in Vilnius on December 1 and 2, with the presentation of RAI objectives and activities alongside the RAI's candidacy for the annual innovation award. RAI Secretariat won the 2021 EPAC/EACN Award for the most innovative and successful anticorruption project for the Whistle for the end Guerilla Campaign.

GRECO

Following the meeting with the President of the GRECO in July 2021, the Council of Europe's support to the RAI and to the International Treaty, has been channeled through the presentation of RAI strategic direction and endeavors with the special focus on the benefits of the International Treaty and the importance of inviting more states to became signatories at the online GRECO Plenary Session in December 2021.

GI-TOC

In 2021 RAI Secretariat started a cooperation with the GI-TOC through participation as panelist at the presentations of the publications (Infrastructure of Integrity) and at the Round Table organized by GI-TOC: Enhancing cooperation between civil society and government to strengthen resilience against organized crime and in the webinar on illicit financial flows in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia. In November 2021 RAI Secretariat met the GI-TOC representatives in Sarajevo and discussed the possible cooperation in organizing a regional event with the MoJ of Croatia and the corruption prevention bodies on culture of integrity. In May 2022, RAI Head of Secretariat and Senior Anti-corruption Advisor took part as a moderator and a panelist at the International Conference "A culture of integrity – Enhancing prevention of corruption" organized by the Ministry of Justice and Public Administration of Croatia and the GI-TOC. The importance of RAI in strengthening the regional cooperation in the UNCAC implementation has been highlighted in the conclusions of the conference. On the margins of the Conference, RAI held bilateral meetings with the respective ministers of justice from the WB region, representatives from the beneficiaries and international organizations.

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CSD and SELDI Network

RAI Secretariat actively cooperated with SELDI Network in the implementation of the Norway-funded project "Implementing shared anti-corruption and good governance solutions in Southeast Europe: innovative practices and under public-private partnerships" with the focus on the pillar: Established Regional Good Governance Public-Private Partnership Platform (R2G4P).

RAI took active participation in regular monthly partner coordination and beneficiaries' meetings, provided expert contribution and quality control over deliverables, concepts, TORs and drafts. Having into account its excellent relations with the public sector institutions in the member countries, RAI offered its platform for easier communication and networking and assisted in nominating the representatives in the Regional Good Governance Public-Private Partnership Platform (R2G4P). The project represented a forum for more significant promotion of RAI activities at the conferences, trainings and meetings organized by the Project as well widely promoted the project deliverables and publications on its website and the social media Three publications issued under the Project were promoted and published on the RAI website.

The Secretariat

Operations

Last two years have brought different challenges to the Secretariat. Many of these challenges directly affected Secretariat's operations being at the core of the organization. Secretariat changed the Head of Secretariat, welcomed new staff members and staff members leave. All of these changes have affected the overall flow and overall policy dialogue and delivery capacities.

In the light of growth and challenges that every organization needs to face at some point, organization's functions and the way the functions jointly implement the mandate of the organization need to further evolve to reflect the current and future challenges. A need for Secretariat's growth, including strengthening organizational effectiveness, transformation and restructuring has been recognized in the previous evaluation reports and Work Plans in order to ensure more value is delivered to RAI member countries. Therefore, this is only a continuation of the overall growth and evolution process.

The upgraded Secretariat's internal regulations are a part of the organizational development and strengthening the professionalism, responsibility and inclusive approach to delivery of RAI' s mandate. New policies introduced in 2018 and 2019 enabled expansion of the staff, more transparent, open, competitive and merit-based recruitment procedures for the core/ project local and international staff, improvement of remuneration and performance management processes, staff training, disciplinary management and other HR issues.

In the last two years process has continued by development of templates for all the internal procedures as a part of the quality management system and standardization of all internal procedures. And also by recognizing other opportunities and gaps that could be addressed in order to allow Secretariat's full performance.

Communications

COVID-19 pandemic and disruption in regular human and professional communications globally created a necessity for development of new IT and communication tools. One of the biggest challenges for the Secretariat was understanding how the new post-covid reality will affect the internal and external communication as well as the practice of regular relations and communication among the beneficiaries, and the cooperation with the other partners and stakeholders. Most of the relations should have been happening on digital channels which served as a tool for being learned, informed and connected.

RAI redesigned the official website with a revised content, structure and visuals which enabled more regular update, better search and social web reach, increased the RAI visitors and helped in RAI rebranding. The new version of the Mapping on Anti-Corruption Section and the active involvement of the SG members in the process of the update, have secured access to the timely and most relevant information. In parallel, RAI intensified its presence at the social media which generated the online traffic, significantly increased its visibility and reach of larger audience, not only among the anti-corruption professionals, but as well the general public.

In parallel with the constraints imposed by the new reality, particular attention has been paid on constant coordination and consultation to reduce the overlapping with the other anti-corruption projects present in the SEE region, while ensuring good synergy and cooperation. For these reasons, RAI Secretariat, together with AIRE Center initiated the practice of co-organizing regional donor coordination meetings in order to follow the parallel project activities and donor support in the area of asset recovery projects and beneficiaries in the SEE.

Funding and Donors Management

In line with the fundraising strategy laid out in the RAI Work Plan 2021-2022, RAI Secretariat has managed to maintain the influx of project-based funds in the evaluation period through large regional programmes and medium-sized projects.

Key inhouse contracts are with the European Commission for the Regional Project titled *"Breaking the Silence: Enhancing the whistleblowing policies and culture in Western Balkans and Moldova"*. The project is worth 1 million EUR, with the implementation period of 3 years with the commencement in April 2020.

And with Austrian Development Agency for the SEE-TAC Regional Programme. RAI Secretariat and UNODC CSO Unit have managed to have the funds for the follow-up phase of the Regional Programme earmarked. The project started on November 1, 2020 and will last for 3 years.

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Following completion of the short-term project *"Combating corruption in the Western Balkans and strengthening regional cooperation in the field of asset recovery"* (October 2017-February 2018) in partnership with the AIRE Centre RAI Secretariat has implemented two regional projects, funded by the UK government.

The first follow-up project *"Strengthening anti-corruption work in Western Balkans through improving asset seizure measures"* was completed in March 2021. Due to the donor's geographic funding restrictions, additional funds were sought with the intention of including Moldova as the additional project beneficiary. To that end, RAI partnered with Konrad Adenauer Foundation who supported the participation of representatives from Moldova and additional representatives from BiH in the project.

Currently, RAI Secretariat and AIRE Center are implementing a second regional asset recovery project "Combating corruption and organised crime in the Western Balkans through strengthening regional cooperation in asset recovery" (September 2021 – March 2024)

As a part of the consortium led by the SELDI Network, together with the RCC and several other regional partners, in the role of an expertise partner, RAI Secretariat applied for the project *"Implementing shared anti-corruption and good governance solutions in Southeast Europe: innovative practices and public private partnerships"* to the EEA and Norway Grants Fund for Regional Cooperation. Following the general approval of the project, its finalisation and contracting are underway. The projected start of the project is January 1, 2021 with the three-year timeframe. While RAI Secretariat's share in the project value is rather low (EUR 9.000), the main value of this project for RAI is in its approach and regional networking.

The Central European Initiative - Executive Secretariat (CEI-ES) supported the online edition of RAI 16th Summer School with a grant of EUR 2.000, RAI 17th Summer School with EUR 10.000,00 and 9.000,00 for online education platform.

Donors

Our partnership with the EU continued successfully with the realization of the EU funded project: 'Breaking the Silence: Enhancing Whistleblowing policies and culture in Western Balkans and Moldova. In parallel, the facilitation of the covid restrictions enabled RAI' s intensive activities in the region, meetings with the representatives from the EUD to present the RAI mission and projects, but as well to discuss the future more systematic and sustainable support of the EU institutions to the RAI. RAI Secretariat had regular meetings with the Sector Western Balkans Regional Cooperation and Programmes - Security/Rule of Law and Reconciliation at DG NEAR to discuss the ongoing cooperation and avenues for future collaboration.
Partnership with Austrian Development Cooperation remained successful during the reporting period. RAI is currently implementing ADC-funded project South East Europe – Together Against Corruption (SEE-TAC). RAI organized several meetings with ADC representatives, including the meeting with the Managing Director.

With support from the UK government, the AIRE Centre in cooperation with RAI launched the Regional Asset Recovery Network (AR Network) of asset recovery professionals, facilitates exchange of good practice, dialogue and cooperation in the region.

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Financial Outlook

The budgeting of the 2021-2022 Workplan was done in line with the programming of its implementation pace. The four programmatic Objectives identified in the Workplan as well as Other & Cross Cutting Objectives were funded through a multitude of sources:

- Core RAI Budget;
- Donor funding: Austrian Development Cooperation, European Commission and Central European Initiative, Konrad Adenauer Foundation;
- Participations in projects: SELDI, Asset Recovery, ACIF Roadmap;
- Partnerships with other organizations: OECD, RACVIAC, GI-TOC etc.

The Secretariat organizes its activities in accordance with the principles of sound financial and technical management and good practice to provide for an efficient control system of the entire Secretariat, taking into account the importance, magnitude and complexity of activities managed under its authority. Regional dialogue, knowledge exchange and peer learning actions were supported through other funding sources available to the Secretariat wherever possible.

Secretariat is responsible for preparation of all financial statements and ensuring effective financial accounting, reporting, and transparency of the financial actions undertaken within the approved RAI and donor budgets. In accordance with the MoU, and its Article 3 – Financial reports and audit, RAI Secretariat provides the Steering Group annually with reports describing programme implementation and all budgetary expenditures involved. Secretariat also prepares financial reports to all donors in accordance with their financial requirements.

During the 2021-2022 period, RAI total core budget/country contributions was f €546,965 (€266,000 for 2021, and €280,965 for 2022). Budget execution was 70,08% in 2021 (€186,42240) while it is expected that budget execution in 2022 will be up to 80%. There will be underspending on several budget items which will be shifted in budget planned for 2023.

The below table represents the overall utilization of financial resources during the reporting period:

Item	€ amount
RAI MEMBER COUNTRIES' FUNDS 2021-2022*	**416,296.70**
Other sources:	
Other donor funds in 2021	397,473.18
Other donor funds in 2022*	560,031.00
TOTAL OTHER SOURCES	**957,504.18**
TOTAL IN 2021-2022	**1.373,800.88**

*projection for 2022

Lessons Learned and Recommendations for the Next Work Plan

The lessons learned and gained experience in the reporting period can be grouped under two categories. First one, related to circumstances surrounding the beneficiaries and the external RAI environment. This includes, but is not limited to, the political and socioeconomic context, operations of other regional/national organizations, and health or security threats. The latter one is related to state of affairs within RAI, or internal factors that affect performance.

In the period of 2021-2022, many of the states in the SEE underwent through regular or early elections, dysfunction of the national anti-corruption bodies, amendments in the composition and in election of the members of the anti-corruption bodies, turnover of the staff, etc. EC Progress Reports continue to portray the region as lacking meaningful implementation in the areas of the rule of law and anti-corruption.

RAI has developed a respectable thematic expertise and has engaged in new field of prevention and repression. Given the different needs of the beneficiaries, their capacities and context they are operating in, it has become evident that all anti-corruption tools developed by RAI Secretariat need to be adjusted to specific national needs. Therefore, RAI Secretariat has embraced the top-down approach to implementation of actions. Although this approach demands more resources to be allocated, it has proved as more efficient, effective, and giving more value to the beneficiaries. On the same note, some actions cannot be implemented across different sectors, and hence have to be adjusted to a sector-specific conditions. This is another reason to be looking into sectoral approach to implementation of activities in the future, when applicable.

Another risk is the overlapping of the projects and interventions in the SEE. Although RAI Secretariat observes a trend of consolidation of anti-corruption efforts, the overlaps in implementing of projects with the same beneficiaries and same or similar objectives are still present. RAI Secretariat attempts to mitigate such circumstances by partnering with regional and sub-regional projects wherever possible by proactively creating synergies and sharing of resources. Inputs from the SG members could be a more effective way to proactively map any other relevant projects or programs implemented in the respective countries.

The COVID-19 pandemic has revealed that IT technology can play the most significant role in keeping the activities and communication going. Secretariat staff continue to be leaned on digital communication platforms for work and events. Having online events presents a novelty and has been challenging for RAI Secretariat from the technological and content aspect. RAI website could play a greater role in future by

having the closed-group sections for formats such as forums, exchange of information, webinars, etc. On a positive note, online events can gather much larger number of participants and experts from all over the world and can be implemented on a faster pace.

When it comes to lessons learned from the internal RAI environment, throughout the years, it has become evident that a continuous investment into staff development is a key for keeping pace with novelties brought upon by the donors, challenges of coordination and building partnerships. The evaluation period was used for coordination with the other organizations in order to reduce overlapping and duplications. RAI Secretariat will continue investing into the internal capacities, with primary focus on a successful IPA programming and utilization of EU funds.

Secretariat also developed a regular coordination and consultation process with the SG members which resulted in a more structured monthly reporting. The communication could be further enhanced through holding regular bilateral meetings and a two-way dialogue to better target and more eagerly react to the beneficiaries' needs and priorities.

This document will be used as basis for preparation of the subsequent Work Plan for 2023-2025 as well as let Member Countries, partners and stakeholders know how the Secretariat evaluates its work against the set objectives. While most of the recommendations were emphasized in elaborating the particular section of the document, the following recommendations related to the internal organizational, program and communication capacities are suggested for the next planning period:

- Strengthening and enhancing the expert capacity of the Secretariat by engaging anti-corruption experts from the region through projects and/or secondment;

- Focusing on enhancing the capacities of the beneficiaries through train-the-trainer sessions, analysis of the impact of the trainings (post-training evaluation) and evaluation of the impact of the written deliverables;

- Investing in internal capacities of RAI Secretariat by enhancing its capacities in project management with a focus on monitoring and evaluation;

- Strengthening the dialogue with the SG members to better target and address beneficiaries' needs, priorities and grasp other ongoing projects;

- Upgrading RAI website with a view to support more online interventions that might be necessary in the future;

- Enhancing the PR, external communication and advocacy policy, including the existing social media outreach, strengthening social accountability mechanisms and moving away from passive provision of information to active citizen engagement;

- Further designing the RAI activities built in a certain degree of flexibility to allow for adaptation to changing circumstances and to include unforeseen institutions as beneficiaries.

RAI Secretariat team addresses all lessons learnt and mitigates identified risks by ensuring ample communication with and presence in the respective institutions. This strategy has had limited success but paired with more effective, horizontal approaches towards stakeholders and peers, has proven efficient to ensure safe implementation.

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Annex 1 – Logical Framework

Objective 1: STRENGTHENING REGIONAL COOPERATION IN CONFLICT OF INTEREST & ASSET DISCLOSURE					
Objectives	**Implemented Activities**	**Achieved Results**	**Partners**	**Key Beneficiaries**	**Executed Budget**
1.1 Enhancing regional cooperation on data exchange in asset disclosure and conflict of interest (International Treaty on Data Exchange in Asset Disclosure and Conflict of Interest hereafter referred to as International Treaty)	- Organizing and facilitating negotiations on the Treaty - Finalizing the text of the Treaty - Organizing the Signing ceremony of the International Treaty - Promotion of the International Treaty	- Treaty is negotiated and finalised - Three signatories to the International Treaty completed steps for accession to the Treaty - Awareness raised about the benefits of the International Treaty - Regional cooperation of integrity experts strengthened	UNODC National governments Austrian Ministry of European and International relations Relevant national public institutions	National Oversight Bodies Ministries of Justice	230,750.00 EUR + programmatic costs UNODC ACIF Roadmap (ADA, UNODC ACIF Roadmap, RAI)
1.2 Strengthening the capacities of the national oversight bodies are enhanced	- Regional meeting for the development of next steps	Due to postponed signing of the International Treaty, activities related to 1.2 will be intensified in the next WP			

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Objective 2: STRENGTHENING INTEGRITY THROUGH TRANSPARENT RULES AND PROCEDURES					
Objectives	**Implemented Activities**	**Achieved Results**	**Partners**	**Key Beneficiaries**	**Executed Budget €**
2.1 Strengthening National Capacities in Anti-corruption Assessment of Legislation (CPL)	- Continued support to member countries developing and strengthening national methodology based on Regional Methodology - Continued training for respective government officials - Strengthening regional cooperation and exchange	- National officials trained in conducting CPL - Regional cooperation and peer to peer exchange fostered		National AC Bodies	178,260.00 EUR (ADA, SELDI, RAI)
2.2 Strengthening National Capacities in Corruption Risk Assessment in Public Administration (CRA)	- Continued support to member countries in strengthening legal framework - Continued training for respective government officials in selected sectors - Continued training of CRA practitioners - Strengthening regional cooperation and exchange	- National legal frameworks on CRA strengthened - Capacities of national institutions in selected sectors strengthened - Regional cooperation and peer to peer exchange fostered		National AC Bodies Judicial bodies	

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Objective 3: WHISTLEBLOWING – RAISING PUBLIC AWARENESS & STRENGTHENING NATIONAL CAPACITIES					
Objectives	**Implemented Activities**	**Achieved Results**	**Partners**	**Key Beneficiaries**	**Executed Budget**
3.1 Disclosure channels and protection mechanisms for whistle-blowers in public institutions improved and civil society capacity strengthened	- Mapping of public institutions the project could partner with. - Strengthening partners internal reporting mechanisms or their capacity to act as external reporting authority. - Development of methodology, performing the needs assessment, and formulation of the organisational development plan - Delivery of national Master classes	- Needs assessment and organisational development plan for improvement of capacities of the national institutions for implementing their mandate in the field of whistleblowing developed		National institutions with competence in WB	673,380.00 EUR (EU, RAI)
3.2 General public, professional community and public institutions more sensitized and informed about whistleblowing	- Organisation of two multi stakeholder regional workshops - Development of public awareness and information campaign - Production and promotion of the Social Experiment - Production and delivery of the Guerrilla Campaign	- Regional cooperation in the field of WB fostered - Improved perception about whistleblowing	SEE Whistleblowing Coalition Media	Regional CSO Networks National CSOs	

	- Awareness-raising materials developed and distributed in the SEE jurisdiction - Production of four Human Interest Stories			

Objective 4: STRENGTHENING NATIONAL CAPACITIES THROUGH COOPERATION IN ASSET RECOVERY					
Objectives	**Implemented Activities**	**Achieved Results**	**Partners**	**Key Beneficiaries**	**Executed Budget**
4.1 Strengthening regional cooperation between asset recovery bodies	- Fostering regional exchange of best practices with peer-to-peer exchange and expert missions, national and regional events - Assisting the institutions with implementation of relevant international instruments and standards - Online platform for AR practitioners and experts established.	- Platform for implementation of the long-term capacity building efforts in the field of asset recovery established - Regional cooperation strengthened.	AIRE Centre KAS	National Asset Recovery Bodies Judiciary	160,620.00 EUR + Programmatic costs (UK Government - through AIRE centre), UNODC ACIF Roadmap, RAI
4.2 Strengthening national capacities in asset recovery	- Identifying national needs - Addressing the specific national needs through technical assistance	- Strengthening capacity of all institutions involved in asset confiscation - Implementation of the Asset Recovery competences improved	AIRE Centre KAS	National Asset Recovery Bodies Judiciary	

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Annex 2 – List of Events Organized or Co-organized by RAI Secretariat (2021-2022)

NO	Title/Date/Location	Objective(s) addressed
1.	Working meeting with Ms. Tanja Miscevic, Deputy Secretary General of RCC, January 14, 2021	Regional coordination
2.	Head of RAI Secretariat, the Project Manager and AIRE Center WB Programme Manager vs. Ms. Virginia De Abajo Marques – UNODC Anti-corruption and Asset Recovery Advisor, Belgrade, January 20, 2021	Project coordination
3.	Meeting of the Head of RAI Secretariat and the Minister of Justice of Serbia, Ms. Maja Popovic, January 22, 2021	Regional dialogue
4.	Kick-off Meeting of the new joint Regional Programme "Southeast Europe – Together Against Corruption" – SEE-TAC, Sarajevo, Vienna, January 27, 2021	Project implementation
5.	Online Expert Working Meeting between Albania and Kosovo* to discuss how to improve international cooperation and MLA in asset tracing, seizure and confiscation with a special focus on asset sharing (link), online, February 3rd	Project implementation
6.	Webinar "Effective Asset Recovery – Legal Standards, Challenges and Good Practices" (link), online, February 3rd, 2021	Project implementation
7.	RAI Secretariat held a meeting with Mr. Eric Larsen, INL Senior Justice Advisor at US Embassy in Sarajevo, Sarajevo, February 4th 2021	Donor meeting
8.	Online meeting with the UNODC and International Chamber of Commerce of Albania, February 8th, 2021	Project implementation
9.	First Annual Multi-Beneficiary Training on Whistleblower Protection-Webinar 'Building Effective Whistleblower Protections for the Benefit of Citizens in line with the EU Whistleblowing Directive' online, February 9th 2021	Project implementation
10.	First Annual Multi-Beneficiary Training on Whistleblower Protection-Webinar 'Experiences of Public Institutions and Civil Society in Handling Whistleblower Reports: How to Enhance Mutual Cooperation and Coordination?' online, February 11th 2021	Project implementation
11.	Online meeting with the CEI to discuss the CEI financial support for establishing the RAI e-learning platform, online, February 18th 2022	Donor meeting
12.	Meetings with EU Delegations to Albania, Kosovo* and North Macedonia to discuss challenges and opportunities of the implementation of project activities in each of the beneficiary	Regional dialogue

	jurisdictions, as well as coordinate with other EU anti-corruption efforts, February 2022	
13.	RAI Secretariat participated in the consultation meeting with Serbian authorities – 23rd February 2021	Regional dialogue
14.	RAI Secretariat participated in the online consultation meeting with Macedonian authorities, 5th March 2021	Regional dialogue
15.	Final Conference of the Regional Project "Strengthening anti-corruption in the South East Europe through improving asset seizure measures", (link) hybrid, March 9th 2021	Project implementation
16.	Signing Ceremony of the International Treaty on Exchange of Data for the Verification of Asset Declarations (link), Belgrade, March 19th, 2021	Project implementation
17.	The 33rd RAI Steering Group meeting (link), online, March 16th and March 22nd, 2021	SG Meeting
18.	Meeting with the UNODC Project Manager in order to agree on ways forward and resolve open issues, Belgrade, March 19th, 2021	Project implementation
19.	Online coordination meeting with RCC, March 24th 2021	Regional Coordination
20.	Working meeting with the President and the members of the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption of North Macedonia, April 7th, 2021	Regional dialogue
21.	Coordination meeting between the UNODC project management team, RAI Secretariat and the donor (Home Office, UK), online, April 16th 2021	Project implementation
22.	The 34rd RAI Steering Group meeting, online, April 28th, 2021	SG Meeting
23.	Regional Workshop on "Strengthening Integrity in the Security Sector" (link), online, May 5th, 2021 - May 6th, 2021	Partnership building
24.	Beginning of "The whistle for the end!" campaign (link) – Sarajevo, May 19th, 2021	Project implementation
25.	The first round of seven bilateral meetings with the representatives of all beneficiary jurisdictions and SG members were held, May 2021	Project implementation
26.	Meeting with the General Police Inspectorate of Moldova, May 31st, 2021	Regional dialogue
27.	Working meeting with Mr. Luan Marko Gashi, ROM Expert in INTEGRATION, Core Office in Brussels, June 2021	Project implementation
28.	"Whistle for the End" Podgorica Guerrilla Event (link), Podgorica, June 2nd 2021	Project implementation

29.	Meeting with the Director, Deputy Director and President of the Council of the Agency for the Prevention of Corruption, Podgorica, June 2nd 2021	
30.	Introduction meeting with the RAI's new Head of Secretariat and the Team Leader of the UNODC CSU, Ms. Mirella Dummar, implementing partner of the SEE-TAC project, June 7th 2022	Project implementation
31.	Meetings with representatives of: the Ministry of Justice, High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets and Conflicts of Interest, Ministry of Education, Science and Youth, EU Delegation to Albania and the Coordinator of the Southeast Europe Coalition for Whistleblower Protection, Tirana, June 8th-10th 2021	Project implementation
32.	"Whistle for the End" Tirana Guerrilla Event (link) Tirana, June 10th, 2021	Project implementation
33.	"Whistle for the end" Pristina Guerrilla Event (link), Pristina, June 16th 2021	Project implementation
34.	Meetings with the Director of the Anti-corruption Agency and representatives of: the Ministry of Justice, EU Delegation to Kosovo*, CoE/EU Project against Economic Crime III and UNDP, Pristina, June 15th- 17th, 2021	Regional dialogue
35.	Bilateral meetings held with the relevant representatives of the primary targeted jurisdictions for CPL mechanisms: Albania (June 18th, 2021), Bosnia and Herzegovina (June 11th, 2021), Kosovo* (June 17th, 2021), Moldova (June 17th, 2021), Montenegro (June 14th, 2021), North Macedonia (June 11th, 2021) and Serbia (June 18th, 2021)	Regional dialogue
36.	"Whistle for the End" Skopje Guerrilla Event (link), Skopje, June 23rd, 2021	Project implementation
37.	Working meeting Ms. Biljana Ivanovska, President and the members of the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption of North Macedonia, June 24th, 2021	Regional dialogue
38.	Meeting with Mr. Aleksandar Krzalovski, the Executive Director of the MCIC - the SELDI Executive Secretariat, June 24th, 2021	Regional dialogue
39.	Official meetings with the high-level authorities of North Macedonia, (Mr. Ljupco Nikolovski), Deputy Prime Minister for the Fight against Corruption and crime, Sustainable Development, and Human Resources, Mr. Bojan Maricic, Minister of Justice of North Macedonia, June 24th-25th 2021	Regional dialogue
40.	Meetings with the National Anti-corruption Centre and the Ministry of Justice (link), Chisinau, Moldova, 28-30th June, 2021	Regional dialogue

41.	"Whistle for the End" Chișinău Guerrilla Event, (link), Chișinău, June 30th, 2021	Project implementation
42.	Series of meetings in Serbia: the Ministry of Justice, Anti-corruption Agency and the EU Delegation to Serbia, July 2021	Regional dialogue
43.	16th Summer School for Junior Anti-corruption Practitioners from South-East Europe, (link) online, July 5th- July 7th, 2021	Summer School
44.	"Whistle for the End" Belgrade Guerrilla Event (link), Belgrade, July 8th, 2021	Project implementation
45.	Working visit to Zagreb, Croatia: Meetings with the Minister of Justice and Public Administration of Croatia, Mr. Ivan Malenica, and Ms. Natasa Novakovic, the President of the Commission for the Resolution of Conflicts of interest of Croatia, Zagreb (link), July 15th, 2021	Regional dialogue
46.	Meeting with the President of Supreme Court of Croatia, Mr. Djuro Sessa and Mr. Marin Mrcela, Vice President of the Supreme Court and President of the GRECO (link), Zagreb, July 16th 2021	Regional dialogue
47.	Working visit to Ljubljana, Slovenia: Meeting with the Chief Commissioner of the Commission for the Prevention of Corruption of Slovenia, Mr. Robert Sumi, and the Senior European and International Relations Advisor for the Prevention of Corruption at the Commission and the contact point for RAI, Mr. Gregor Pirjevec, Ljubljana, Slovenia (link), July 16th, 2021	Regional dialogue
48.	Meeting with Ms. Jana Repansek, Director of the Center of Excellence in Finance (CEF), Slovenia (link)- Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 16th 2021	Regional dialogue
49.	Online working meeting with Ms. Marina Kovacic, Regional coordinator for Western Balkans, Global Program „Combatting Illicit Financial Flows" Governance and Human Rights and disucssed the concrete possibilites for cooperation in the area of asset recovery, online, July 23rd, 2021	Project implementation
50.	Regional Meeting on Mapping Sectors Most Vulnerable to Corruption, online (link), July 29th 2021	Project implementation
51.	Working meeting with the Integrative Internal Security Governance (IISG) Secretariat, online, July 30th, 2021	Regional coordination
52.	36th Regional Session of the European Youth Parliament BiH – Metamorphosis (link), Sarajevo, July 29th- August 1st, 2021	Project implementation
53.	Working meeting with the Dean of the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) Mr. Tomas Stelzer, August 12th 2021	Regional coordination
54.	Meeting with Mr. Eric Larson, Special Anti-Corruption Advisor at the US Embassy in BiH, September 7th, 2021	Donor meeting

55.	Virtual meeting with the representatives of the UK Home Office, the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office and the UNODC, online, September 10th, 2021	
56.	Meeting the Minister of Justice of the Republic of Bulgaria, Prof. Yanaki Stoilov (link), Sofia, September 14th 2021	Regional dialogue
57.	Technical level meeting with the Deputy Head of IISG, Ms. Maja Pinjo-Talevska, September 15th, 2021	Regional dialogue
58.	Coordination meeting with EU Delegation to BiH, September 20th 2021	Regional dialogue
59.	Visit to the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Serbia and the Agency for Prevention of Corruption of the Republic of Serbia (APC), Belgrade (link), September 22nd 2021	Regional dialogue
60.	Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) and its Review Mechanism (link), Belgrade, September 20th - September 22nd, 2021	Project implementation
61.	The MoU with the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) has been signed on September 27th 2021	Regional dialogue
62.	Online Regional Donor Coordination Meeting on mapping the current asset recovery technical assistance projects in the Western Balkans (link), online, September 27th, 2021	Project implementation
63.	Consultation meetings with representatives of Moldova (September 28th 2021) Albania (September 29th 2021)	Regional dialogue
64.	Meeting with Ms. Jutta Pomoell-Segurola, Head of sector Western Balkans Regional Cooperation and Programmes - Security/Rule of Law and Reconciliation at DG NEAR, September 30th 2021	Project implementation
65.	Online meeting with the International Anti-corruption Academy (IACA), online, October 5th 2021	Regional dialogue
66.	Meeting with the Deputy Minister of Justice of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mr. Nezir Pivic, Sarajevo, October 5th 2021	Regional dialogue
67.	Online meeting with the Center of Excellence in Finance (CEF) Programme Officer, October 8th 2021	Regional dialogue
68.	Meeting with Ms. Benjamina Karic, Major of City of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, October 14th, 2021	Regional dialogue
69.	Visit to the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Justice, Agency for Prevention of Corruption and the Delegation of the European Union to Montenegro (link), Podgorica, October 18th- October 19th 2021	Regional dialogue
70.	35th RAI Steering Group Meeting, online, October 22nd 2021	SG Meeting
71.	Online meeting with the SOCJA, UK FCDO&HO research team, online, October 25th 2021	Donor Coordination

72.	Meeting with Mr. Jeronim Bazo, the Director of the RACVIAC (link), November 2nd 2021	Regional coordination
73.	36th RAI Steering Group Meeting, Zagreb, November 2nd - November 3rd, 2021	SG Meeting
74.	Regional Conference on Effective Asset Recovery in Compliance with European Standards (link), hybrid format, November 3rd and 4th 2021	Project implementation
75.	Regional Conference on Effective Recovery of the Proceeds of Crime (link), Skopje, November 9th 2021	Project implementation
76.	Meeting with the representatives from the Global Initiative for Transnational Organized Crime, Sarajevo, November 15th and 16th, 2021	Regional coordination
77.	Meeting with the RCC, Sarajevo, November 17th 2021	Regional coordination
78.	Online meeting with the OECD Project Staff, November 18th 2021	Regional coordination
79.	Meeting with Ms. Frederique Dubost, judge attached to the Embassy of France in Belgrade in charge with the regional cooperation on rule-of-law, Belgrade, November 19th	Donor coordination
80.	Second Annual Regional Multistakeholder Training on Whistleblower Protection (link), Sarajevo, November 16th- November 19th 2021	Project implementation
81.	Anti-corruption Forum (link), Tirana, Albania, December 6th- December 9th 2021	Regional dialogue
82.	Visit to Tirana, Albania and consultative meetings with representatives of the EU Delegation to Albania, Ministry of Justice, High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets and Conflicts of Interest, Regional Youth Cooperation Office and International Chamber of Commerce, Tirana, December 6th- December 10th 2021	Regional dialogue
83.	AIRE Centre in cooperation with the Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative (RAI) organized National Coordinators meeting held December 13th 2021	Project implementation
84.	Southeast Europe together against corruption – Special event at UNCAC COSP9 (link), Sharm el Sheikh, December 16th, 2021	Regional dialogue
85.	The joint data collection coordination meeting among the UNODC, AIRE, RAI and the UK authorities, December 21st 2021	Regional Coordination
86.	Meeting with the Migration Asylum Refugee Regional Initiative (MARRI) Regional Centre (link), Skopje, December 22nd 2021	Regional Coordination
87.	Meeting with Ms. Frederique Dubost, Liaison magistrate from France for the WB (including Bulgaria and Cyprus), January 10th 2022	Regional Coordination
88.	Meeting with RCC Political Department, online, January 20th, 2022	Regional Coordination

89.	2nd Regional Coordination Meeting on Asset Recovery (link), online, January 21st, 2022	Project implementation
90.	Meeting with RACVIAC to initially discuss the joint Regional Workshop in Strengthening Integrity in the Security Sector, January 26th 2022	Regional Coordination
91.	Series of meetings and consultations with local youth organizations (European Youth Parliament Kosovo*[3], European Youth Parliament North Macedonia, Youth Network Montenegro), January 2022	Regional Coordination
92.	Online working meeting with the RCC Political Department, online, February 7th 2022	Regional Coordination
93.	Online Seminar on Standards and Practice in Asset Recovery (link), online, February 7th 2022	Project implementation
94.	Online meeting with OECD to discuss the 2022 cooperation in the field of anti-corruption education, online, February 14th 2022	Regional Coordination
95.	Meeting with the IISG and RCC, February 16th 2022	Regional Coordination
96.	The Seminar on asset recovery organized by AIRE Centre and RAI in cooperation with the RS Judicial and Prosecutorial Training Centre (link), Banja Luka, February 18th 2022	Project implementation
97.	Series of meetings with EU DG NEAR Results-Oriented Monitoring Review expert, Ms. Ornela Xhera, February 2022	Project implementation
98.	Launch of the Social Experiment Video 'Whistle for the Brave' on the RAI YouTube channel, February 2022	Project implementation
99.	RAI Secretariat in partnership with civil society organizations in Kosovo* (KLI and EYP) conducted a youth survey on whistleblowing, February 2022	Project implementation
100	Regional Meeting on achieving accurate, comprehensive and standard recording of asset recovery statistics (link), Pristina, March 1st 2022	Project implementation
101	Training on "Effective Asset Recovery: Judicial Perspective" (link), Tirana, Albania, March 15th 2022	Project implementation
102	The Annual Alumni Conference "Strengthening Regional Cooperation in Asset Recovery to Combat Corruption and Organised Crime" (link), Tirana, Albania, March 16th 2022	Project implementation
103	The Multidisciplinary Training on Confiscation of Assets acquired from Criminal Activity (link) Budva, Montenegro, March 18th and 19th 2022	Project implementation
104	Meeting with the Chair of the Anti-corruption Parliament Committee, Sofia, March 25th 2022	Regional dialogue

[3] This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

105	Working meeting with MARRI to discuss the possible cooperation in the field of integrity, March 29th 2022	Regional Coordination
106	Meeting with the Agency for Prevention of Corruption and Ministry of Justice, Podgorica, Montenegro, 31st March- 1st April 2022	Regional dialogue
107	Two-day youth event to promote whistleblowing, Podgorica, Montenegro, 31st March- 1st April 2022	Project implementation
108	Meetings with the Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Austrian Development Cooperation, project partner UNODC, OSCE, and IACA, Vienna, Austria, March 2022	Regional Coordination
109	Meeting with the UNODC SEE Programme team, Vienna, Austria, March 2022	Project implementation
110	37th RAI Steering Group Meeting (link), Sofia, Bulgaria, April 7th-8th 2022	SG Meeting
111	Head of RAI Secretariat and the Secretary General of the RYCO, Mr. Albert Hani signed the Memorandum of Understanding (link), Tirana, Albania, 11th May 2022	Regional Coordination
112	Follow-up meeting with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina regarding the RAI registered office in BiH, Sarajevo, April 13th	Regional dialogue
113	Working meetings with the Minister of Justice, Mr. Nikola Tupanceski, the EU Ambassador Mr. David Geer, with the French Delegation from the Ministry of Justice of France, with the Director of the Academy for Judges and Public Prosecutors Ms. Natasa Gaber, the Director of the MAARI, Mr. Sasko Kocev, Skopje, North Macedonia, 11th- 13th May 2022	Regional dialogue
114	Meeting with the OSCE Ambassador Mr. Igli Hasani, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Sarajevo, BiH, May 17th 2022	Regional dialogue
115	Two-day regional workshop on whistleblowing and whistleblower protection to representatives of MoDs, MoJs, AC Agencies and law enforcement agencies (link) in Rakitje, Croatia, 18th- 19th May 2022	Project implementation
116	Working meeting with the CSD to discuss furthering the cooperation under the current project activities, April 28th 2022	Regional Coordination
117	Training on CRA and CPL for Higher Education and Public Enterprises, Tirana, Albania (link), May 12-13th 2022	Project implementation
118	Whistleblower Celebration event (link), Skopje, North Macedonia, May 12-13th 2022	Project implementation
119	Bilateral meetings with the respective Minister of Justice of BiH, Mr. Josip Grubesa, Minister of Justice and Public Administration of Croatia, Mr. Ivan Malenica, Minister of Justice of North Macedonia, Mr. Nikola Tupanceski, Deputy Minister of Justice of Albania, Ms. Adea Pirdeni and	Regional dialogue

	the State Secretary at the Ministry of Justice of Serbia, Ms. Bojana Scepanovic (link), Sibenik, Croatia, May 22-24th 2022	
120	Training on CRA and CPL for Higher Education and Public Enterprises (link), Sarajevo, BiH, May 26-27th 2022	Project implementation
121	RAI-UNODC Coordination Workshop, Sarajevo, BiH, May 31st 2022	Project implementation
122	Panel on Asset Recovery took place at the 20th Counselling on Criminal Law (link), Neum, BiH, June 3rd 2022	Project implementation
123	RAI Secretariat kicked-off a series of Masterclasses "From silence to action", on successful public awareness campaigns. The first Masterclass took place in Sarajevo on June 7th, and was followed by the second one in Belgrade, held on June 9th 2022	Project implementation
124	Webinar "European Court for Human Rights Jurisprudence in Matters of Property Acquired by Criminal Activity"(link), online, June 9th 2022	Project implementation
125	Meeting on Achieving Accurate, Comprehensive and Standard Recording of Asset Recovery Statistics (link), Sarajevo, BiH, June 13-14th 2022	Project implementation
126	Meeting with Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, new Director of ADA as well as OSCE and IACA, Vienna, Austria, June 14-17th 2022	Donor Coordination
127	Meeting with Mr Danilo Rizzi, the Regional Representative for the UNODC Regional Office for South-Eastern Europe (ROSEE), Vienna, June 15, 2022	Project Coodination
128	CRA and CPL trainings for Higher Education and Public Enterprises, Podgorica, Montenegro, June 23rd and 24th 2022	Project implementation
129	3rd Asset Recovery Technical Assistance Providers Coordination Meeting, Belgrade, Serbia, June 29th 2022	Project implementation
130	Online AR Platform (arrplatform.org) was launched on June 29th 2022	Project implementation
131	Meeting with UNODC, Belgrade, Serbia, June 29th 2022	Project implementation
132	RCC in cooperation with different regional organizations including RAI published the SecuriMeter, the first-ever public opinion survey on security issues, June 2022	Project implementation
133	17th Summer School on Judicial Integrity for Junior Anti-Corruption Practitioners from South-East Europe was organized in Sofia, Bulgaria, July 4-8th 2022, link	Summer School
134	The 15th National Selection Conference of the European Youth Parliament of Serbia, Nis, July 13-17, 2022	Project implementation

135	Meeting with APIK representatives with aim to provide support to the working group in developing a Methodology for asset declarations of civil servants that would be disseminated to all the state institutions, July 2022	Regional Dialogue
136	Secretariat published CRA and CPL Guidance with Checklists for Higher Education and Public Enterprises. Guidance with Checklists are available at the link. August, 2022	Project implementation
137	Secretariat finalized the self-assessment tool now available in English and languages of Project beneficiary jurisdictions. The self- assessment tool will enable an organization to assess whether it fulfils human resource and organizational requirements to enable an effective and efficient response to a whistleblower report. August, 2022, Link	Project implementation
138	In partnership with the European Youth Parliament (EYP) Kosovo* local youth event in Prizren has been delivered. August, 2nd 2022, link	Project implementation
139	Working meeting with Mr. Ruslan Stefanov, Program Director, Center for the Study of Democracy to discuss the cooperation under the existing project, but as well as the channels for a future more intensified cooperation. August, 2022	Project implementation
140	Working coordination meeting with Mr. Constantine Palicarsky, UNODC Regional Adviser for Anti-Corruption and Illicit Financial Flows and his team, August 2022	Project implementation
141	Working meeting with non-governmental organization Center for the Promotion of Civil Society (CPCD), Sarajevo which implements the project Combating Illegal Financial Flows in the Western Balkans, August 2022	Regional Coordination
142	Coordination meeting with the representatives from the MARRI to discuss the concrete steps in establishing a cooperation, both teams are working on developing the MoU, online, September 20th 2022	Regional Coordination
143	Regional workshop "Towards implementation of the Ohrid Roadmap: Strengthening regional cooperation through the Camden Asset Recovery Inter-Agency Network (CARIN) and UNODC GlobE operational network" Split, Croatia, September 20-22, 2022.	Project implementation
144	Meeting with representatives of the Agency for Prevention of Corruption in Montenegro and participation in the Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on UNCAC and its Review Mechanisms in Kumbor, MNE, September 26 – 29th 2022. link	Project implementation
145	Secretariat delivered a series of 'Masterclasses: From Silence to Action', as part of the regional public campaign. The Masterclasses were held in Podgorica (September 26th, 2022), Tirana (September 28th 2022) and Skopje (September 30th 2022).	Project implementation

146	RAI Secretariat established a cooperation with the Agency for Youth and Sport from North Macedonia for assisting in conducting surveys for examining the public opinion among youth in beneficiary jurisdictions, September 2022	Project implementation
147	Regional meeting on Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance (ACIF) Roadmap for Western Balkans jurisdictions has been organised in Dubrovnik, Croatia. October 11-13th, link	Project implementation
148	Roadmap Technical Meeting, Dubrovnik Croatia, October 10-14th 2022	Project implementation
149	Conference on Effective Asset Recovery in accordance with European Standards, Podgorica, MNE. October 14th 2022, LINK	Project implementation
150	CRA/CPL Training has been organised and delivered in Skopje, North Macedonia, October 17-18th 2022. LINK	Project implementation
151	CPL Training delivered in Pristina, Kosovo*. October 18-19th 2022 (link)	Project implementation
152	RAI Secretariat meeting with the National Transparency Authority (NTA), Athens, Greece. October 24th 2022 (link)	Regional Dialogue
153	Regional seminar: "Case study, practice and implementation issues of the legislation on confiscation of assets resulting from criminal activity", online, October 26th 2022	Project implementation
154	EU WB Project - Steering Committee Meeting, October 25-27th 2022	Project implementation
155	Programme Coordination Meeting with ADA and UNODC Vienna Austria, November 07-08th 2022	Project implementation
156	First Regional technical level meeting on an overview of the implementation at the regional level of the ACIF Roadmap, Vienna, November 7-8, 2022	Project implementation
157	Regional Webinar on Asset Recovery by AIRE&RAI, November 10th 2022	Project implementation
158	High Level Meeting and 27th Steering Group, Paris France, November 16-17th 2022	Regional cooperation
159	RAI Steering Group Meeting, Bucharest Romania, November 21-22nd 2022	SG Meeting
160	Masterclass and Youth Event, Chisinau Moldova by RAI, ViaMedia and Youth Partner, November 23-25th 2022	Project implementation

161	Second regional technical level meeting on Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap for Western Balkans jurisdictions, Ljubljana, SLO, November 29-30, 2022	Project implementation
162	Meetign with CEI: Head of RAI Secretariat and the CEI Secretary General, Mr. Roberto Antonione, signed the Memorandum of Understanding in Trieste, Italy 1 December 2022	Regional Dialogue
163	RAI & AIRE Regional Event: Presentation of statistical sheets, December 15th 2022	Project implementation
164	Regional Online Meeting: Draft texts of the regional and bilateral asset-sharing agreements – organized by RAI & AIRE, December 20th 2022	Project implementation
165	Regional High-Level Anti-Corruption Conference, Skopje, North Macedonia, December 14th, 2022	Project implementation
166	Regional Meeting on the International Treaty, Podgorica Montenegro, December 20th, 2022	Project implementation
167	Regional ONLINE seminar on cryptocurrency assets, by AIRE&RAI, December 21st 2022	Project implementation

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Annex 3 – RAI participation and promotion in Regional and International Events (2021-2022)

In the evaluation period, RAI Secretariat has promoted the project and programme activities at number of conferences and workshops that did not directly, but indirectly impact the anti-corruption agendas on national level. They in return provide and promote the visibility for RAI and even these interventions are not country specific, they need to be given adequate strategic context and to demonstrate their value and importance for RAI and its member countries. For these reasons, given the number of these events, the importance of the communication, outreach and advocacy policy for the organizational profile, all the RAI promotion activities, presentations and interventions through participation at numerous regional and international events in the period of 2018-2020 are shown below.

No	Title/Location/Date
1.	RAI Secretariat participated at the OECD-ACN Meeting with the Monitoring Experts for the Pilot to the 5th Round of Monitoring under the IAP, February, 5th 2021
2.	RAI Secretariat participated in the OECD online meeting of the Academic Expert Group, February 25th 2021
3.	RAI Secretariat participated at the "IPA Coordination Meeting on synergies and complementarities IPA EUOK Projects and IPA Regional Projects, March 19th 2021
4.	RAI representatives participated at the OECD 2021 Global Anti-Corruption and Integrity Forum - Reporting after the crisis: What has changed, what remains the same, and what should be improved, March 23rd 2021
5.	RAI Secretariat participated at the preparatory meeting for panel briefing with non-state-actors in Southeast Europe ([see more](#)), March 26th 2021
6.	RAI Secretariat participated at the International Anti-Corruption Conference, marking the 15th Anniversary of the CAB (Central Anti-Corruption Bureau) of Poland, April, 23rd 2021
7.	RAI representatives participated at the preparatory meeting to discuss the organization of the CIPFA-CEF regional conference in Skopje, April 2021
8.	RAI Secretariat representative Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska participated at the presentation of the Global Initiative Against Transnational Organized Crime publications (Infrastructure of Integrity) as a panelist, May 6th 2021
9.	Head of Secretariat took part in the Berlin Process Security Commitments Steering Group Meeting that took place virtually, May 19th 2021
10.	RAI Secretariat's Ms. Anja Suvalija partook at the CSD - Training Academy on 'Innovative Methods for State Capture and Corruption Assessment, May 21st 2021
11.	Head of Secretariat, Ms. Desislava Gotskova gave an introductory speech at the Opening conference "Implementing Shared Anti-Corruption and Good Governance Solutions in SEE", where she participated together with Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska, May 26th 2021

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12.	RAI Team participated on the UNGASS Side event titled „Civil Society Engagement in UNCAC and future steps" June 4th, 2021
13.	Head of RAI Secretariat participated online at the RCC Annual Meeting, June, 16th 2021
14.	The Secretariat representative Ms. Dejana Grbic-Velagic participated in the Balkan Barometer 2021 presentation, June, 24th 2021
15.	The Head of RAI Secretariat participated in the High Level Ceremony for the Adoption of the Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap June, 25th 2021
16.	Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska-RAI Senior Anticorruption Advisor participated as a member of the evaluation team and supported OECD-ACN pilot monitoring with the developed performance anti-corruption indicators for Moldova, online, June 4th and 28th 2021
17.	RAI Secretariat represented by Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska, participated at the conference ''Supporting accounting and audit developments and synergies '', organized by the international institute CIPFA (UK) and the international Center for Finance Excellence (CEF), Skopje, June 29th-30th 2021
18.	The Head of RAI Secretariat Ms. Desislava Gotskova, participated online as one of the keynote speakers at the second panel in the High-Level Conference on "Challenges and opportunities in fighting corruption and fostering integrity" (link), online, July 5th 2021
19.	The Head of RAI Secretariat participated online at the Second Meeting of the G20 Anti-Corruption Working Group, July 6th -8th 2021
20.	RAI Secretariat attended the Press conference for launching the public awareness campaign on promoting the integrity organized by the State Commission for the Prevention of Corruption of North Macedonia, July 13th 2021
21.	Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska represented RAI Secretariat in capacity of a member of the OECD-ACN Expert team for pilot evaluation of Moldova in relation to the performance indicator 5 - independence of the judiciary and participated in finalization of the Draft Evaluation Report for Moldova, to be adopted at the OECD-ACN Plenary Meeting planned for 25-29 October; July-August 2021
22.	Head of Secretariat participated at the Opening Ceremony of the Konrad Adenauer Stiftung (KAS) – Rule of Law Program South East Europe 14th International Summer School edition, Sarajevo, August 4th 2021
23.	Senior Anti-corruption Advisor, Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska partook in the 46th MAG RACVIAC Steering Body, which gathers representatives of Members, Associate Members, Observers, participants, and partners (link) October 12th 2021
24.	RAI Secretariat participated as an expert partner in the regular monthly partners' Steering Committee meeting and in the Summer School organised under the R2G4P project auspices (link), October 12th 2021
25.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated as a member of the OECD-ACN Monitoring Team in process of preparation of the Pilot Monitoring Evaluation for Moldova in relation to the PI 5 Independence of Judiciary, October 22nd and 25th , 26th -29th 2021

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26.	Senior AC Advisor participated at the R2G4P anti-corruption Platform's first inauguration meeting, November 5th and 9th 2021
27.	Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated online and presented the RAI core activities at the EUD BiH International Community Coordination Meeting, November 9th 2021
28.	RAI took participation at the 22nd PCC SEE Committee of Ministers through the Senior Representative in the SG on behalf of NM, Mr. Ivan Todorovski, held on Skopje, North Macedonia, November 30th 2021
29.	RAI Secretariat participated in 20th EPAC/EACN Annual Professional Conference and General Assembly (link), Vilnius, December 1st and 2nd 2021
30.	Head of RAI Secretariat participated at the online GRECO Plenary Session, December 2nd 2021
31.	RAI Secretariat participated at the hybrid Conference "Corruption and Anti-Corruption in Europe" organised by the University of Perugia Department of Political Science, December 3rd 2021
32.	Head of RAI Secretariat represented RAI at the Sixth Regional (Jumbo) Security Coordination Conference: "Enhancing regional security cooperation: a pillar of the Western Balkans European path" organized by the Regional Cooperation Council (link), Paris, France, December 6th 2021
33.	RAI Secretariat participated at the online presentation of the document "Sextortion – corruption disguised – Case study of Bosnia and Herzegovina" organised by the Transparency International BiH, December 7th 2021
34.	RAI Secretariat took active participation in the high-level event "Raising Awareness on Gender Inequalities & Corruption" organised by the OSCE presence in Albania, December 10th 2021
35.	RAI Secretariat participated at the second R2G4P anti-corruption Platform's meeting, including both government and civil society representatives and project's partners on December 22 and at the meeting "Joining forces against corruption" hosted by the Centre for Study of Democracy (CSD), December 13th 2021
36.	RAI delegation, led by the Head of RAI Secretariat attended the 9th session of the Conference of States Parties (CoSP) to the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) in Sharm El-Sheikh (link), Egypt, 13th-17th December 2021
37.	National conference "Standards for preventive anti-corruption bodies, policies and practices" organised by the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption of North Macedonia (link) December 20th 2021
38.	RAI Secretariat attended a training on the new digital reporting system of the EC named OPSYS System, December 2021
39.	RAI Secretariat participated at the R2G4P anti-corruption Platform's meeting, including both government and civil society representatives and project's partners, January, 11th 2022
40.	AI Secretariat participated at brainstorming webinar "Fostering sustainable civil society cooperation for better governance in South East Europe: What is next", organized by CSD, SELDI and MCIC, January 18th 2022

41.	Under the cooperation with the GI-TOC, RAI representative took participation in the webinar on illicit financial flows in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro and Serbia, online, January 25th 2022
42.	AI Secretariat participated at the R2G4P Anti-Corruption Platform meeting and continues to provide an expert contribution to the project deliverables and undertaking activities for promoting partners' and project visibility, February 6th 2022
43.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated at the 1st NCPA online Plenary Meeting, February 8th 2022
44.	RAI Secretariat, represented by the Senior AC Advisor participated at the conference on Initial Training of justice professionals serving the rule of law, organized by the European Commission together with the Présidence Française du Conseil de l'Union Européenne and the Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature (link), Bordeaux, France, February 21-22nd 2022
45.	RAI Chairperson, Ms. Laura Stefan participated online at the Roundtable with International Partners in the framework of the Crosscutting Anti-Corruption Portfolio, organized by the Ministry of Justice of Albania, February 22nd 2022
46.	RAI Secretariat delivered a lecture on best practices in 'Building Effective Whistleblowing Systems' to representatives of the Ministry of Interior of North Macedonia, at a workshop organized by DCAF, Skopje, 22nd February 2022
47.	RAI Secretariat attended the online presentation of the 'Mapping the State of Play of Digitalization of Justice in the Western Balkans, in the organization of the RCC, March 3rd 2022
48.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated and presented the project activities at the Transparency International BiH event for presentation of the publication on beneficial ownership in BiH – legal framework and implementation, March 3rd 2022
49.	RAI Secretariat participated at the 1st NCPA Webinar on lobbying, March 15th 2022
50.	RAI Secretariat participated online in the hybrid conference The Fight against Corruption Western Balkans in focus, organized by the Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" Skopje, and the MCMC on behalf of the SELDI (link), online, April 7th 2022
51.	RAI Secretariat participated in the RACVIAC 47 MAG online meeting, online, April 13th 2022
52.	RAI Secretariat participated at the International Anti-Corruption Conference, marking the 15th Anniversary of the CAB (Central Anti-Corruption Bureau) of Poland, April, 23th 2022
53.	RAI representatives participated at the preparatory meeting to discuss the organization of the CIPFA-CEF regional conference in Skopje, April 2022
54.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated at the Network of Corruption Prevention Authorities (NCPA) 2nd Plenary Meeting and presented the RAI incentives and activities, online, May 10th 2022
55.	RAI team attended the workshop on Implementing the UNCAC in South East Europe with focus on private sector, Tirana, Albania, May 10th 2022

56.	RAI Secretariat participated in the 3-day specialized training for the members of the project on the topic of the use of statistical and big data for assessing corruption, Budapest, Hungary, 18th-20th May 2022
57.	Asset recovery project presented by the B&H National Coordinator at the Regional Conference "Culture of Integrity - Improving Corruption Prevention", organized by the Ministry of Justice and Administration of the Republic of Croatia and the Global, Sibenik, Croatia, May 21st-24th 2022
58.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor presented RAI activities partnering the youth and youth organizations at the SEE OECD 2nd Academic Roundtable, online, May 30th 2022
59.	Secretariat participated in the youth event titled 'Speak Up Against Corruption!, June 2nd 2022
60.	Participation at the Speak Up Against Corruption! The role of youth in the fight against corruption (KULT), Sarajevo, June 6, 2022
61.	Head of Secretariat moderated the session on Anti-corruption at the Policy Forum" Towards Shared Anti-corruption and Good Governance Solution organized under the R2G4P initiative, June 9th
62.	Secretariat participated at the third edition of the public debate" Right to Justice" organized by the EU in B&H in cooperation with the European Commission's DG NEAR, Sarajevo, June 9th
63.	Project PM presented the RAI work in the field of whistleblowing at the NCPA webinar, June 15th 2022
64.	Secretariat attended Thirteenth meeting of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on the Prevention of Corruption and NGO Briefing event held in Vienna, June 14th-17th 2022
65.	Senior Anti-corruption Advisor presented the Sectoral Guidance for the CRA and CPL in the Higher Education and Public Enterprises Sectors at the joint CEF and CIPFA conference, Tirana, Albania, June 28-29th 2022
66.	RAI Senior AC Advisor participated at the Ceremony marking the 20th Anniversary of the CEST FBiH and CEST RS, July 12th 2022
67.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated at the OECD-ACN virtual consultations on the methodology and scoring for IAP 5 Round of Monitoring, July 18-22nd 2022
68.	RAI delegation led by the Head of Secretariat participated in the opening of UNCAC COSP ISM as well as in a coordination meeting with UNODC, UK Home Office and GI-TOC on synchronizing anti-corruption activities of UNODC/RAI/GI-TOC in relation to the Berlin Process, Ohrid ACIF Roadmap, London Summit (Anti-Corruption Pledges) and Sibenik conference, Vienna September 5-6th;
69.	Mr. Nikola Prokopenko, Senior Representative to RAI and State Counselor at the Ministry of Justice of North Macedonia represented RAI at the Western Balkans Ministerial Conference, organized by ReSPA with the support of OECD/SIGMA. Skopje, North Macedonia, September 15th 2022
70.	RAI Secretariat participated at the 3rd NCPA Webinar on tackling corruption in sports in the 21st century, online, September 15th 2022

71.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated at the State-Owned Enterprise Anti-corruption Day organized by OECD Corporate Governance Division, online, September 20th 2022
72.	RAI Senior Anti-Corruption Advisor participated at the SELDI Regional Policy Forum. Belgrade, September 27-28th 2022
73.	RAI delegation took part in the AC SEE Education Conference in Athens Greece, October 21-22nd 2022
74.	Berlin Process Event, Berlin Germany, November 3rd 2022
75.	RAI Secretariat participated at the UNCAC Resumed 13th Implementation Review Group, 16th Working Group on Asset Recovery, and 11th Expert Meeting to Enhance International Cooperation, which took place in Vienna, Austria, November 7th to 11th 2022
76.	RAI Senior Anti-corruption Advisor participated at the WB SOC (Serious and Organized Crime) Programme Conference, Prizren, November 15th 2022
77.	RAI Secretariat attended the Ceremony on the occasion of the 20th Anniversary of the State Commission for the Prevention of Corruption (SCPC) Skopje, North Macedonia, November 15th 2022
78.	RAI Chairperson and the Head of Secretariat participated at the OECD Anticorruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, High-Level Meeting and 27th Steering Group Meeting, and held side meetings Paris, France 16-17 November 2022
79.	Club de Madrid Hybrid Policy Lab on Protecting Democracies from Corruption (online), November 17th 2022
80.	Regional Workshop on Anti-Corruption, Skopje N. Macedonia, November 9th 2022
81.	7th Regional Jumbo Conference (security cooperation in WB) by RCC, November 17-18th 2022. Rome, Italy
82.	RAI Secretariat participated at the 21st EPAC/EACN Annual Professional Conference and General Assembly 2022, Chisinau Moldova by EPAC, November 23-25th 2022
83.	RAI Secretariat met with the Commission for the Prevention of Conflict of Interests of Slovenia, Ljubljana, November 29th 2022
84.	Promoting Integrity: The Individual, the Organization and Beyond (Participation at the Week of Integrity in Albania), Tirana, December 7, 2022
85.	Anti-corruption training with special focus on international bribery, Hungary, December 7, 2022
86.	UNODC Regional Programme for SEE Steering Committee meeting (online), December 6th
87.	RAI participated at the conference organized by the APIK on the occasion of the International Anti-corruption Day, Sarajevo, BiH, December 8 2022
88.	International Conference "Corruption Risk Assessment" – hybrid by APC Serbia, supported by OSCE Mission to Serbia, December 08th 2022
89.	UNODC international conference "International standards and measures for corruption prevention", delivery of presentation, Online presentation, December 14, 2022

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Annex 4 – List of Actions per jurisdiction[4]

The table below represents instances of actions delivered in RAI member countries, observers and other beneficiary jurisdictions. The listed instances directly impacted the capacity of the targeted beneficiaries in the public administration as well as civil sector. Presented actions were organized by the RAI Secretariat in most instances with some being co-organized with partners and other stakeholders.

It can be evaluated that the actions are relatively spread out over the SEE region, with strong focus on actions that gather representatives from multiple countries. Most of the instances are related to the government beneficiaries, however civil society has been encompassed and participation has raised in comparison to the last evaluation period.

During the Evaluation Period, RAI Secretariat tracked beneficiaries' gender ratio. Collected data indicates that the ratio between women and men varies between 30 to 50 percent. RAI Secretariat collects gender data only as of the beginning of current evaluation period.

The Table below specifies the direct interventions only. It does not account for a range of instances that indirectly impact the anti-corruption agendas on the national level and in the SEE overall. Such instances are sessions of the RAI Steering Group, participation of RAI in the UNCAC Evaluation Cycles, participation of RAI in GRECO evaluation process and OECD evaluations, presence of RAI in implementing of Strategy SEE2020, as well as appearances, presentations, interventions etc.

In the evaluation period, RAI Secretariat has promoted its activities at number of conferences and workshops that did not directly, but indirectly impact the anti-corruption agendas on national levels. They in return provide and promote the visibility for RAI and even these interventions are not country specific, they need to be given adequate strategic context and to demonstrate their value and importance for RAI and its member countries. For these reasons, given the number of these events, the importance of the communication, outreach and advocacy policy for the organizational profile, all the RAI promotion activities, presentations and interventions through participation at numerous regional and international events in the period of 2021-2022 is listed in the separate section of the Annex 2 under the "RAI participation in regional and international events (2021-2022)".
Chart below indicates the disbursement of RAI Secretariat's event instances per member countries.

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[4] Separate sheet is supplied to enable perusal per location

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Action Description / Beneficiary	Albania	B&H	Bulgaria	Croatia	N. Macedonia	Moldova	Montenegro	Romania	Serbia	Kosovo*	Poland	Georgia	Slovenia
Working meeting with Ms. Tanja Miscevic, Deputy Secretary General of RCC, January 14, 2021													
Meeting- Head of RAI Secretariat, the Project Manager and AIRE Center WB Programme Manager vs. Ms. Virginia De Abajo Marques – UNODC Anti-corruption and Asset Recovery Advisor, Belgrade, January 20, 2021													
Meeting of the Head of RAI Secretariat and the Minister of Justice of Serbia, Ms. Maja Popovic, January 22, 2021									X				
Kick-off Meeting of the new joint Regional Programme "Southeast Europe – Together Against Corruption" – SEE-TAC, Sarajevo, Vienna, January 27, 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Online Expert Working Meeting between Albania and Kosovo* to discuss how to improve international cooperation and MLA in asset tracing, seizure and confiscation with a special focus on asset sharing (link), online, February 3rd	X									X			
Webinar "Effective Asset Recovery – Legal Standards, Challenges and Good Practices" (link), online, February 3rd, 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
2021 RAI Secretariat held a meeting with Mr. Eric Larsen, INL Senior Justice Advisor at US Embassy in Sarajevo, Sarajevo, February 4th 2021		X											
Online meeting with the UNODC and International Chamber of Commerce of Albania, February 8th, 2021	X												

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First Annual Multi-Beneficiary Training on Whistleblower Protection- Webinar 'Building Effective Whistleblower Protections for the Benefit of Citizens in line with the EU Whistleblowing Directive' online, February 9th 2021	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
First Annual Multi-Beneficiary Training on Whistleblower Protection- Webinar 'Experiences of Public Institutions and Civil Society in Handling Whistleblower Reports: How to Enhance Mutual Cooperation and Coordination?' online, February 11th 2021	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
Online meeting with the CEI to discuss the CEI financial support for establishing the RAI e-learning platform, online, February 18th 2022													
Meetings with EU Delegations to Albania, Kosovo* and North Macedonia to discuss challenges and opportunities of the implementation of project activities in each of the beneficiary jurisdictions, as well as coordinate with other EU anti-corruption efforts, February 2022	X				X					X			
RAI Secretariat participated in the consultation meeting with Serbian authorities – 23rd February 2021									X				
RAI Secretariat participated in the online consultation meeting with Macedonian authorities, 5th March 2021					X								
Final Conference of the Regional Project "Strengthening anti-corruption in the South East Europe through improving asset seizure measures", (link) hybrid, March 9th 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			

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Signing Ceremony of the International Treaty on Exchange of Data for the Verification of Asset Declarations (link), Belgrade, March 19th, 2021					X		X		X				
The 33rd RAI Steering Group meeting (link), online, March 16th and March 22nd, 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Meeting with the UNODC Project Manager in order to agree on ways forward and resolve open issues, Belgrade, March 19th, 2021													
Online coordination meeting with RCC, March 24th 2021													
Working meeting with the President and the members of the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption of North Macedonia, April 7th, 2021					X								
Coordination meeting between the UNODC project management team, RAI Secretariat and the donor (Home Office, UK), online, April 16th 2021													
The 34rd RAI Steering Group meeting, online, April 28th, 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Regional Workshop on "Strengthening Integrity in the Security Sector" (link), online, May 5th, 2021 - May 6th, 2021				X					X				
Beginning of "The whistle for the end!" campaign (link) – Sarajevo, May 19th, 2021		X											
Bilateral meetings held with the relevant representatives of the primary targeted jurisdictions for CRA mechanisms and SG members: Albania (May 20th, 2021), Bosnia and Herzegovina (May 18th, 2021), Kosovo* (May 26th, 2021),	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			

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Moldova (May 28th, 2021), Montenegro (May 25th, 2021), North Macedonia (May 25th, 2021) and Serbia (May 31st, 2021)													
Meeting with the General Police Inspectorate of Moldova, May 31st, 2021						X							
Working meeting with Mr. Luan Marko Gashi, ROM Expert in INTEGRATION, Core Office in Brussels, June 2021													
"Whistle for the End" Podgorica Guerrilla Event (link), Podgorica, June 2nd 2021							X						
Meeting with the Director, Deputy Director and President of the Council of the Agency for the Prevention of Corruption, Podgorica, June 2nd 2021							X						
Introduction meeting with the RAI's new Head of Secretariat and the Team Leader of the UNODC CSU, Ms. Mirella Dummar, implementing partner of the SEE-TAC project, June 7th 2022													
Meetings with representatives of: the Ministry of Justice, High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets and Conflicts of Interest, Ministry of Education, Science and Youth, EU Delegation to Albania and the Coordinator of the Southeast Europe Coalition for Whistleblower Protection, Tirana, June 8th-10th 2021	X												
"Whistle for the End" Tirana Guerrilla Event (link) Tirana, June 10th, 2021	X												
"Whistle for the end" Pristina Guerrilla Event (link), Pristina, June 16th 2021										X			

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Meetings with the Director of the Anti-corruption Agency and representatives of: the Ministry of Justice, EU Delegation to Kosovo*, CoE/EU Project against Economic Crime III and UNDP, Pristina, June 15th- 17th, 2021										X			
Bilateral meetings held with the relevant representatives of the primary targeted jurisdictions for CPL mechanisms: Albania (June 18th, 2021), Bosnia and Herzegovina (June 11th, 2021), Kosovo* (June 17th, 2021), Moldova (June 17th, 2021), Montenegro (June 14th, 2021), North Macedonia (June 11th, 2021) and Serbia (June 18th, 2021)	X	X			X	X	X		X	X	X		
"Whistle for the End" Skopje Guerrilla Event (link), Skopje, June 23rd, 2021					X								
Working meeting Ms. Biljana Ivanovska, President and the members of the State Commission for Prevention of Corruption of North Macedonia, June 24th, 2021					X								
Meeting with Mr. Aleksandar Krzalovski, the Executive Director of the MCIC - the SELDI Executive Secretariat, June 24th, 2021													
Official meetings with the high-level authorities of North Macedonia, (Mr. Ljupco Nikolovski), Deputy Prime Minister for the Fight against Corruption and crime, Sustainable Development, and Human Resources, Mr. Bojan Maricic, Minister of Justice of North Macedonia, June 24th-25th 2021					X								
Meetings with the National Anti-corruption Centre and the Ministry of Justice (link), Chisinau, Moldova, 28-30th June, 2021						X							
"Whistle for the End" Chișinău Guerrilla Event, (link), Chișinău, June 30th, 2021						X							

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Series of meetings in Serbia: the Ministry of Justice, Anti-corruption Agency and the EU Delegation to Serbia, July 2021									X				
16th Summer School for Junior Anti-corruption Practitioners from South-East Europe, (link) online, July 5th- July 7th, 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
"Whistle for the End" Belgrade Guerrilla Event (link), Belgrade, July 8th, 2021									X				
Regional Meeting on Mapping Sectors Most Vulnerable to Corruption, online (link), July 9th 2021	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
Working visit to Zagreb, Croatia: Meetings with the Minister of Justice and Public Administration of Croatia, Mr. Ivan Malenica, and Ms. Natasa Novakovic, the President of the Commission for the Resolution of Conflicts of interest of Croatia, Zagreb (link), July 15th, 2021				X									

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Meeting with the President of Supreme Court of Croatia, Mr. Djuro Sessa and Mr. Marin Mrcela, Vice President of the Supreme Court and President of the GRECO (link), Zagreb, July 16th 2021				X									
Working visit to Ljubljana, Slovenia: Meeting with the Chief Commissioner of the Commission for the Prevention of Corruption of Slovenia, Mr. Robert Sumi, and the Senior European and International Relations Advisor for the Prevention of Corruption at the Commission and the contact point for RAI, Mr. Gregor Pirjevec, Ljubljana, Slovenia (link), July 16th, 2021													X
Meeting with Ms. Jana Repansek, Director of the Center of Excellence in Finance (CEF), Slovenia (link)- Ljubljana, Slovenia, July 16th 2021													X
Online working meeting with Ms. Marina Kovacic, Regional coordinator for Western Balkans, Global Program „Combatting Illicit Financial Flows" Governance and Human Rights and disucssed the concrete possibilites for cooperation in the area of asset recovery, online, July 23rd, 2021													
Working meeting with the Integrative Internal Security Governance (IISG) Secretariat, online, July 30th, 2021													
36th Regional Session of the European Youth Parliament BiH – Metamorphosis (link), Sarajevo, July 29th- August 1st, 2021		X											
Working meeting with the Dean of the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) Mr. Tomas Stelzer, August 12th 2021													

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Meeting with Mr. Eric Larson, Special Anti-Corruption Advisor at the US Embassy in BiH, September 7th, 2021		X											
Virtual meeting with the representatives of the UK Home Office, the Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office and the UNODC, online, September 10th, 2021													
Meeting the Minister of Justice of the Republic of Bulgaria, Prof. Yanaki Stoilov (link), Sofia, September 14th 2021			X										
Technical level meeting with the Deputy Head of IISG, Ms. Maja Pinjo-Talevska, September 15th, 2021													
Coordination meeting with EU Delegation to BiH, September 20th 2021		X											
Visit to the Ministry of Justice of the Republic of Serbia and the Agency for Prevention of Corruption of the Republic of Serbia (APC), Belgrade (link), September 22nd 2021									X				
Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC) and its Review Mechanism (link), Belgrade, September 20th - September 22nd, 2021	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
The MoU with the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) has been signed on September 27th 2021													

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Online Regional Donor Coordination Meeting on mapping the current asset recovery technical assistance projects in the Western Balkans (link), online, September 27th, 2021	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Consultation meetings with representatives of Moldova (September 28th 2021) Albania (September 29th 2021)	X					X							
Meeting with Ms. Jutta Pomoell-Segurola, Head of sector Western Balkans Regional Cooperation and Programmes - Security/Rule of Law and Reconciliation at DG NEAR, September 30th 2021	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
Online meeting with the International Anti-corruption Academy (IACA), online, October 5th 2021													
Meeting with the Deputy Minister of Justice of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Mr. Nezir Pivic, Sarajevo, October 5th 2021		X											
Online meeting with the Center of Excellence in Finance (CEF) Programme Officer, October 8th 2021													
Meeting with Ms. Benjamina Karic, Major of City of Sarajevo, Sarajevo, October 14th, 2021		X											
Visit to the Ministry of Interior, Ministry of Justice, Agency for Prevention of Corruption and the Delegation of the European Union to Montenegro (link), Podgorica, October 18th- October 19th 2021							X						
35th RAI Steering Group Meeting, online, October 22nd 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				

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Online meeting with the SOCJA, UK FCDO&HO research team, online, October 25th 2021													
Meeting with Mr. Jeronim Bazo, the Director of the RACVIAC (link), November 2nd 2021													
36th RAI Steering Group Meeting, Zagreb, November 2nd - November 3rd, 2021	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X				
Regional Conference on Effective Asset Recovery in Compliance with European Standards (link), hybrid format, November 3rd and 4th 2021													
Regional Conference on Effective Recovery of the Proceeds of Crime (link), Skopje, November 9th 2021					X								
Meeting with the representatives from the Global Initiative for Transnational Organized Crime, Sarajevo, November 15th and 16th, 2021													
Meeting with the RCC, Sarajevo, November 17th 2021													
Online meeting with the OECD Project Staff, November 18th 2021													
Meeting with Ms. Frederique Dubost, judge attached to the Embassy of France in Belgrade in charge with the regional cooperation on rule-of-law, Belgrade, November 19th													
Second Annual Regional Multistakeholder Training on Whistleblower Protection (link), Sarajevo, November 16th- November 19th 2021	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Anti-corruption Forum (link), Tirana, Albania, December 6th- December 9th 2021	X												

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Visit to Tirana, Albania and consultative meetings with representatives of the EU Delegation to Albania, Ministry of Justice, High Inspectorate of Declaration and Audit of Assets and Conflicts of Interest, Regional Youth Cooperation Office and International Chamber of Commerce, Tirana, December 6th- December 10th 2021	X												
AIRE Centre in cooperation with the Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative (RAI) organized National Coordinators meeting held December 13th 2021	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Southeast Europe together against corruption – Special event at UNCAC COSP9 (link), Sharm el Sheikh, December 16th, 2021					X		X						
The joint data collection coordination meeting among the UNODC, AIRE, RAI and the UK authorities, December 21st 2021													
Meeting with the Migration Asylum Refugee Regional Initiative (MARRI) Regional Centre (link), Skopje, December 22nd 2021													
Meeting with Ms. Frederique Dubost, Liaison magistrate from France for the WB (including Bulgaria and Cyprus), January 10th 2022													
Meeting with RCC Political Department, online, January 20th, 2022													
2nd Regional Coordination Meeting on Asset Recovery (link), online, January 21st, 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Meeting with RACVIAC to initially discuss the joint Regional Workshop in Strengthening Integrity in the Security Sector, January 26th 2022													

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Series of meetings and consultations with local youth organizations (European Youth Parliament Kosovo*[5], European Youth Parliament North Macedonia, Youth Network Montenegro), January 2022					X		X			X			
Online working meeting with the RCC Political Department, online, February 7th 2022													
Online Seminar on Standards and Practice in Asset Recovery (link), online, February 7th 2022		X					X		X				
Online meeting with OECD to discuss the 2022 cooperation in the field of anti-corruption education, online, February 14th 2022													
Meeting with the IISG and RCC, February 16th 2022													
The Seminar on asset recovery organized by AIRE Centre and RAI in cooperation with the RS Judicial and Prosecutorial Training Centre (link), Banja Luka, February 18th 2022		X											
Series of meetings with EU DG NEAR Results-Oriented Monitoring Review expert, Ms. Ornela Xhera, February 2022	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
Launch of the Social Experiment Video 'Whistle for the Brave' on the RAI YouTube channel, February 2022	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			

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[5] This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSCR 1244/1999 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo declaration of independence.

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RAI Secretariat in partnership with civil society organizations in Kosovo* (KLI and EYP) conducted a youth survey on whistleblowing, February 2022										X			
Regional Meeting on achieving accurate, comprehensive and standard recording of asset recovery statistics (link), Pristina, March 1st 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Training on "Effective Asset Recovery: Judicial Perspective" (link), Tirana, Albania, March 15th 2022	X												
The Annual Alumni Conference "Strengthening Regional Cooperation in Asset Recovery to Combat Corruption and Organised Crime" (link), Tirana, Albania, March 16th 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			
The Multidisciplinary Training on Confiscation of Assets acquired from Criminal Activity (link) Budva, Montenegro, March 18th and 19th 2022		X			X		X		X				
Meeting with the Chair of the Anti-corruption Parliament Committee, Sofia, March 25th 2022			X										
Working meeting with MARRI to discuss the possible cooperation in the field of integrity, March 29th 2022													
Meeting with the Agency for Prevention of Corruption and Ministry of Justice, Podgorica, Montenegro, 31st March- 1st April 2022							X						
Two-day youth event to promote whistleblowing, Podgorica, Montenegro, 31st March- 1st April 2022							X						

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Meetings with the Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, the Austrian Development Cooperation, project partner UNODC, OSCE, and IACA, Vienna, Austria, March 2022													
Meeting with the UNODC SEE Programme team, Vienna, Austria, March 2022													
37th RAI Steering Group Meeting (link), Sofia, Bulgaria, April 7th-8th 2022	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Head of RAI Secretariat and the Secretary General of the RYCO, Mr. Albert Hani signed the Memorandum of Understanding (link), Tirana, Albania, 11th May 2022													
Follow-up meeting with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Bosnia and Herzegovina regarding the RAI registered office in BiH, Sarajevo, April 13th		X											
Working meetings with the Minister of Justice, Mr. Nikola Tupanceski, the EU Ambassador Mr. David Geer, with the French Delegation from the Ministry of Justice of France, with the Director of the Academy for Judges and Public Prosecutors Ms. Natasa Gaber, the Director of the MAARI, Mr. Sasko Kocev, Skopje, North Macedonia, 11th- 13th May 2022					X								
Meeting with the OSCE Ambassador Mr. Igli Hasani, Co-ordinator of OSCE Economic and Environmental Activities, Sarajevo, BiH, May 17th 2022		X											
Two-day regional workshop on whistleblowing and whistleblower protection to representatives of MoDs, MoJs, AC Agencies and law enforcement agencies (link) in Rakitje, Croatia, 18th- 19th May 2022													

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Working meeting with the CSD to discuss furthering the cooperation under the current project activities, April 28th 2022													
Training on CRA and CPL for Higher Education and Public Enterprises, Tirana, Albania (link), May 12-13th 2022	X												
Whistleblower Celebration event (link), Skopje, North Macedonia, May 12-13th 2022					X								
Bilateral meetings with the respective Minister of Justice of BiH, Mr. Josip Grubesa, Minister of Justice and Public Administration of Croatia, Mr. Ivan Malenica, Minister of Justice of North Macedonia, Mr. Nikola Tupanceski, Deputy Minister of Justice of Albania, Ms. Adea Pirdeni and the State Secretary at the Ministry of Justice of Serbia, Ms. Bojana Scepanovic (link), Sibenik, Croatia, May 22-24th 2022	X	X		X	X				X				
Training on CRA and CPL for Higher Education and Public Enterprises (link), Sarajevo, BiH, May 26-27th 2022		X											
RAI-UNODC Coordination Workshop, Sarajevo, BiH, May 31st 2022													
Panel on Asset Recovery took place at the 20th Counselling on Criminal Law (link), Neum, BiH, June 3rd 2022		X											
RAI Secretariat kicked-off a series of Masterclasses "From silence to action", on successful public awareness campaigns. The first Masterclass took place in Sarajevo on June 7th, and was followed by the second one in Belgrade, held on June 9th 2022		X							X				

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Webinar "European Court for Human Rights Jurisprudence in Matters of Property Acquired by Criminal Activity"(link), online, June 9th 2022	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Meeting on Achieving Accurate, Comprehensive and Standard Recording of Asset Recovery Statistics (link), Sarajevo, BiH, June 13-14th 2022		X			X		X		X				
Meeting with Austrian Ministry of Foreign Affairs, new Director of ADA as well as OSCE and IACA, Vienna, Austria, June 14-17th 2022													
CRA and CPL trainings for Higher Education and Public Enterprises, Podgorica, Montenegro, June 23rd and 24th 2022							X						
3rd Asset Recovery Technical Assistance Providers Coordination Meeting, Belgrade, Serbia, June 29th 2022									X				
Online AR Platform (arrplatform.org) was launched on June 29th 2022	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Meeting with UNODC, Belgrade, Serbia, June 29th 2022													
RCC in cooperation with different regional organizations including RAI published the SecuriMeter, the first-ever public opinion survey on security issues, June 2022													
17th Summer School on Judicial Integrity for Junior Anti-Corruption Practitioners from South-East Europe was organized in Sofia, Bulgaria, July 4-8th 2022, link	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
The 15th National Selection Conference of the European Youth Parliament of Serbia, Nis, July 13-17, 2022									X				

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Meeting with APIK representatives with aim to provide support to the working group in developing a Methodology for asset declarations of civil servants that would be disseminated to all the state institutions, July 2022		X											
Secretariat published CRA and CPL Guidance with Checklists for Higher Education and Public Enterprises. Guidance with Checklists are available at the link. August, 2022	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X			
Secretariat finalized the self-assessment tool now available in English and languages of Project beneficiary jurisdictions. The self- assessment tool will enable an organization to assess whether it fulfills human resource and organizational requirements to enable an effective and efficient response to a whistleblower report. August, 2022, Link	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
In partnership with the European Youth Parliament (EYP) Kosovo* a local youth event in Prizren has been delivered. August, 2nd 2022, link										X			
Working meeting with Mr. Ruslan Stefanov, Program Director, Center for the Study of Democracy to discuss the cooperation under the existing project, but as well as the channels for a future more intensified cooperation. August, 2022													
Working coordination meeting with Mr. Constantine Palicarsky, UNODC Regional Adviser for Anti-Corruption and Illicit Financial Flows and his team, August 2022													

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Working meeting with non-governmental organization Center for the Promotion of Civil Society (CPCD), Sarajevo which implements the project Combating Illegal Financial Flows in the Western Balkans, August 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Coordination meeting with the representatives from the MARRI to discuss the concrete steps in establishing a cooperation, both teams are working on developing the MoU, online, September 20th 2022													
Meeting with representatives of the Agency for Prevention of Corruption in Montenegro and participation in the Multi-Stakeholder Workshop on UNCAC and its Review Mechanisms in Kumbor, MNE, September 26 – 29th 2022. link							X						
Secretariat delivered a series of 'Masterclasses: From Silence to Action', as part of the regional public campaign. The Masterclasses were held in Podgorica (September 26th, 2022), Tirana (September 28th 2022) and Skopje (September 30th 2022).	X				X		X						
RAI Secretariat established a cooperation with the Agency for Youth and Sport from North Macedonia for assisting in conducting surveys for examining the public opinion among youth in beneficiary jurisdictions, September 2022					X								
Regional meeting on Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance (ACIF) Roadmap for Western Balkans jurisdictions has been organised in Dubrovnik, Croatia. October 11-13th, link	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Conference on Effective Asset Recovery in accordance with European Standards, Podgorica, MNE. October 14th 2022, LINK	X	X			X		X		X	X			

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CRA/CPL Training has been organised and delivered in Skopje, North Macedonia, October 17-18th 2022. LINK					X								
CPL Training delivered in Pristina, Kosovo*. October 18-19th 2022 (link)										X			
RAI Secretariat meeting with the National Transparency Authority (NTA), Athens, Greece. October 24th 2022 (link)													
Regional seminar: "Case study, practice and implementation issues of the legislation on confiscation of assets resulting from criminal activity", online, October 26th 2022		X							X				
EU WB Project - Steering Committee Meeting, October 25-27th 2022	X	X			X	X	X		X	X			
Programme Coordination Meeting with ADA and UNODC, Vienna, November 07-08th 2022													
First Regional technical level meeting on an overview of the implementation at the regional level of the ACIF Roadmap, Vienna, November 7-8, 2022	X	X			X		X		X				
Regional Webinar on Asset Recovery by AIRE&RAI, November 10th 2022	X				X		X			X			
High Level Meeting and 27th Steering Group, Paris France, November 16-17th 2022													
Steering Group Meeting, Bucharest Romania, November 21-22nd 2022	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X				
Masterclass and Youth Event, Chisinau Moldova by RAI, ViaMedia and Youth Partner, November 23-25th 2022						X							

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Second regional technical level meeting on Regional Anti-corruption and Illicit Finance Roadmap for Western Balkans jurisdictions, Ljubljana, SLO, November 29-30, 2022	X	X			X		X		X				
RAI & AIRE Regional Event: Presentation of statistical sheets, December 15th 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Regional Online Meeting: Draft texts of the regional and bilateral asset-sharing agreements – organized by RAI & AIRE, December 20th 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			
Regional High-Level Anti-Corruption Conference, Skopje, North Macedonia, December 14th, 2022	X	X			X		X		X				
Regional Meeting on the International Treaty, Podgorica Montenegro, December 20th, 2022	X	X		X	X	X	X		X				
Regional ONLINE seminar on cryptocurrency assets, by AIRE&RAI, December 21st 2022	X	X			X		X		X	X			