

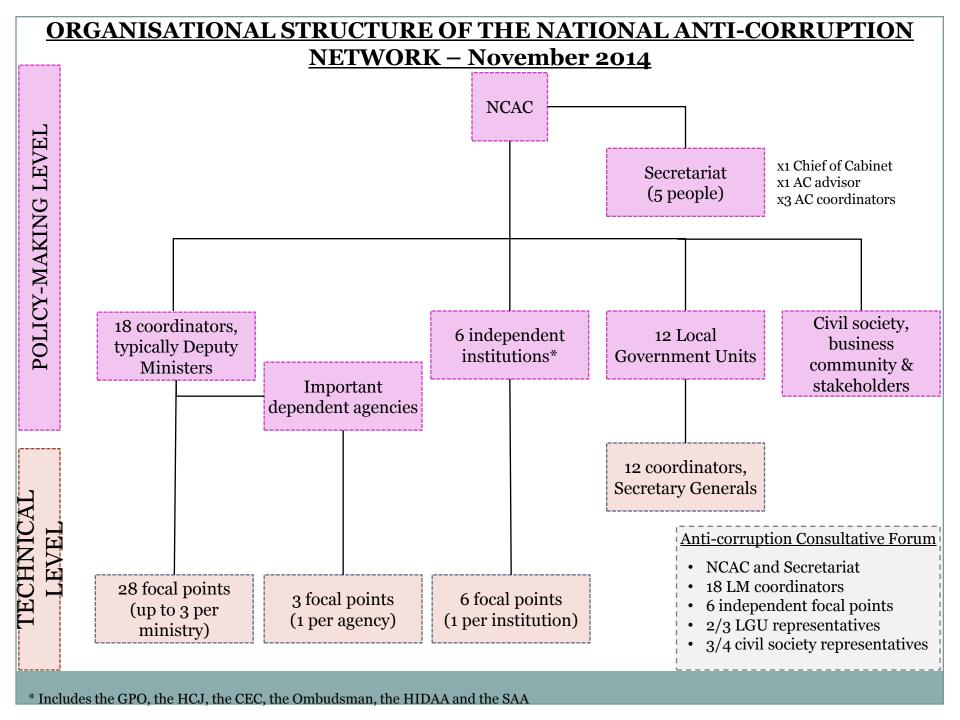
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# **DEVELOPING ANTI-CORRUPTION POLICIES** IN ALBANIA

## Anti-corruption institutional set up

- National Coordinator Against Corruption (NCAC) appointed with the CMD, No. 1012, 22nd November 2013
- Network of Anti-corruption Focal Points established (some 70 officials in line ministries, independent institutions and local government)
- Secretariat of NCAC
- Consultative Forum on Anti-Corruption Policies to be established within 2014 (including representatives from civil society).



# **Policy tools**

- National Strategy against Corruption 2014-2017 completed by end of March 2014
  - three-fold approach: prevention, repression and education
- National Action Plan against Corruption 2014-2017 finalized by October 2014.
- Both, the Strategy and Action Plan will be adopted in December 2014.
- Monitoring on quarterly basis will be performed by NCAC
  Secretariat based on the feedback from CPs network

# Main goals

- Ensuring transparency and accountability through public scrutiny
- Modernization of procedures, with special focus on improving the quality of service delivery
- Strengthening inter-agency cooperation by further enhancing proactive investigation
- Assessing the risks in most vulnerable sectors: health and education
- Enhancing prevention of corruption in public administration

# **Drafting process**

## Review process

- Review of relevant evaluation documents of the previous anti-corruption documents that expired in 2013
- Review of recommendations /findings coming out from assistance projects
- Review of international best practices
- Operational conclusions of national AC conference held on 13 November 2013

#### Internal consultations

- Appointment and training of the contact points on the drafting of the documents and on anticorruption measures
- Creation of working groups within every institution
- Bilateral consultations held between institutions and NCAC Secretariat

### External consultations

- Consultation with all institutions involved
- Consultation with interested parties including here businesses, civil society and international partners

### **Bottlenecks**

- Limited capacities in costing AC measures
- Inter-agency coordination with independent institutions, crucial
- Anti-corruption measures *vs.* service delivery quality *vs.* better regulations
- Effective and relevant implementation indicators
- Limited interest from business sector
- Focusing on measures with economic effects
- Lack of vision on concrete AC measures in long term

## Implementation of commitments

- Demonstration of political will and concrete engagement:
  - Public consultation law
  - Law on the right to information
  - Anti-mafia law provisions extended to high level officials
- Experience with monitoring documents (i.e. EU accession roadmap)
- Readiness of monitoring tools and documents
- Effective indicators and reporting on them

