



Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia (ACN)

**12TH MONITORING MEETING OF THE
ISTANBUL ANTI-CORRUPTION ACTION PLAN**

AND

15TH ACN STEERING GROUP MEETING

23 – 25 September 2013

Room CC 7
OECD Conférence Centre
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DRAFT AGENDA



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Monday, 23 September 2013

	First bilateral consultations between the monitoring team, the Secretariat and Azerbaijan and Georgia to discuss the draft third round monitoring report	
9.30 – 10.30	<i>Meeting of the monitoring teams and the Secretariat</i> (Room MB 2122)	
10.30 – 12.30	<i>Meeting of the monitoring teams, the Secretariat and Azerbaijan</i> (Room MB 2122)	<i>Meeting of the monitoring teams, the Secretariat and Georgia</i> (Room MB 3122)
12TH ISTANBUL ANTI-CORRUPTION ACTION PLAN MONITORING MEETING		
Co-chairs: <i>Mr. Daniel Thelesklaf</i> , Head of the Financial Intelligence Unit, Principality of Liechtenstein; <i>Mr. Patrick Moulette</i> , Head of the Anti-Corruption Division, OECD		
14.00	Welcoming remarks by <i>Mr. William C. Danvers</i> , OECD Deputy Secretary-General	
	Adoption of Agenda	
14.15	Progress Updates	
	Progress update by Kazakhstan	
	Progress update by the Kyrgyz Republic	
	Progress update by Mongolia	
	Progress update by Ukraine	
15.45	<i>Family picture</i> <i>Coffee break</i>	
16.15	Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan after 10 years: roundtable on lessons learned and ways ahead Keynote speeches: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Ms. Carolyn Ervin</i>, Director, Directorate for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD ▪ <i>Mr. Yeghishe Kirakosyan</i>, Deputy Minister of Justice of the Republic of Armenia, Istanbul Action Plan National Coordinator in Armenia Round table discussion	
18:00	<i>Cocktail at the occasion of the the 10th anniversary of the Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan: George Marshall Room</i>	

Tuesday, 24 September 2013

	Third Round of Monitoring of Azerbaijan and Georgia
10.00	<u>First reading</u> of the report on Azerbaijan
11.30	<i>Coffee break</i>
12.00	<u>First reading</u> of the report on Azerbaijan (continued)
12.30	<i>Lunch break</i>

14.00	<u>First reading</u> of the report on Georgia	
15.30	<i>Coffee break</i>	
16.00	<u>First reading</u> of the report on Georgia (continued)	
16.30	Progress Updates (continued)	
	Progress update by Armenia	
	Progress update by Tajikistan	
	Progress update by Uzbekistan	
17.30	<u>Second bilateral consultations</u> between the monitoring team, the Secretariat and Azerbaijan and Georgia to discuss the draft third round monitoring report	
	<i>Meeting of the monitoring teams, the Secretariat and <u>Azerbaijan</u></i> (Room MB 2122)	<i>Meeting of the monitoring teams, the Secretariat and <u>Georgia</u></i> (Room MB 3122)

Wednesday, 25 September 2013

	Third Round of Monitoring of Azerbaijan and Georgia (continued)	
10.00	<u>Second reading</u> of the report on Azerbaijan	
11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>	
11.30	<u>Second reading</u> of the report on Georgia	
12.30	<i>Lunch break</i>	
15TH ACN STEERING GROUP MEETING		
Co-chairs: <i>Mr. Daniel Thelesklaf</i> , Head of the Financial Intelligence Unit, Principality of Liechtenstein; <i>Mr. Yerlan Tuyakbayev</i> , Director of Legal Support and International Co-operation Department, Agency on Fighting Economic and Corruption Crime, Kazakhstan		
14.00	Adoption of the Agenda	
	Summary Record of the last ACN Steering Group meeting	
14.15	ACN Work Programme for 2013 – 2015: Update on the Implementation	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Third Round of Monitoring: methodology, schedule, teams ▪ Next meeting of the Law-Enforcement Anti-Corruption Network ▪ Evaluation of the ACN Work Programme implementation 	
	Brief intervention on behalf of GRECO Secretariat	
	Brief intervention on behalf of Principality of Liechtenstein	
	ACN Cross-Country Thematic Studies	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Business Integrity ▪ Criminalisation of Corruption and Law Enforcement ▪ Anti-Corruption Policy and Prevention 	
	Other business	
16.00 – 17.00	Parallel Sessions: Consultations on ACN Cross-Country Thematic Studies	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Criminalisation of Corruption and Law Enforcement (Room CC 7) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Anti-Corruption Policy and Prevention (Room CC 24)

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Context

The meeting is organized in the framework of the *Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia* (ACN), a regional anti-corruption programme established under the OECD Working Group on Bribery. The ACN supports countries in Eastern Europe and Central Asia¹ in their fight against corruption, by providing a regional forum for promotion of anti-corruption activities, exchange of information, elaboration of best practices and donor coordination.

More information is available on the ACN website at www.oecd.org/corruption/acn.

Objectives

The meeting has the following objectives:

- to take stock of the lessons learnt from the implementation of the *Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan* on the occasion of its 10th anniversary;
- to adopt the *Istanbul Action Plan third round of monitoring reports on Azerbaijan and Georgia* and discuss the *progress reports by Armenia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan*;
- to discuss the implementation of the *ACN Work Programme 2013-2015*, in particular the *ACN Cross-Country Thematic Studies*.

Organisational information

Registration. To access the meeting, all delegates are required *to register*. Please contact Mrs. Susanne Kleve Guérinet [susanne.kleveguerinet@oecd.org].

Working languages. The meeting will be conducted in *English* with simultaneous interpretation into *Russian*.

Accommodation. All participants need to make their own *hotel bookings*. The list of recommended hotels can be viewed [here](#).

For **further information** about this meeting please contact Ms. Inese Gaika [Tel: +33 1 45 24 13 19; inese.gaika@oecd.org].

¹ The ACN is open for all countries in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, including Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Estonia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Georgia, Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Latvia, Lithuania, Moldova, Mongolia, Montenegro, Romania, Russia, Serbia, Slovenia, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan

NOTES TO THE AGENDA

Bilateral consultations between the monitoring team, the Secretariat and Azerbaijan and Georgia to discuss the draft third round monitoring report

**** Bilateral consultations are open only to the monitoring teams, the Secretariat and delegations of Azerbaijan and Georgia. Other delegates can participate in these sessions with the agreement of the monitoring team and the monitored country. ****

The *first bilateral consultations* include: presentation of the main conclusions of the draft monitoring team; presentation of the proposed changes by the delegation of the monitored country; discussion of the proposed changes and inclusion of agreed changes in the draft report; and identification of outstanding issues where no agreement was reached for the presentation at the plenary meeting.

The *second bilateral consultations* consist of: discussion of the outstanding issues identified by the plenary with the aim to develop an agreed text of assessment, ratings and new recommendations, and to present them in track changes mode for the plenary; and identification of unresolved issues to be presented for the discussion in the plenary.

Roundtable on the occasion of the Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan 10th Anniversary

At the occasion of its 10th anniversary, the roundtable aims to take stock of the lessons learnt and ways ahead of the Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan.

The keynote speakers will highlight the progress achieved in Eastern Europe and Central Asia and the remaining challenges identified in the new ACN report “*Anti-corruption Reforms in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Progress and Challenges, 2009-2013*”. Also, the role of the Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan in implementing anti-corruption reforms in participating countries and the impact it has helped to achieve will be discussed.

Further, other Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan countries and other delegates are invited to express their views on the following questions: what are the main outcomes of the Istanbul Action Plan in its member countries; what impact it has helped to make; and what are the key remaining challenges that should be the focus of its future activities.

Document for information: OECD (2013), “*Anti-corruption Reforms in Eastern Europe and Central Asia. Progress and Challenges, 2009-2013*” (in English and Russian)

Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan Third Round of Monitoring Reports on Georgia and Azerbaijan

The *first reading* includes: presentation of the draft report by the monitoring experts, including changes that were introduced during the first bi-lateral consultation and any outstanding issues; presentation by the delegation of the monitored country of their views on the draft report, including any areas of disagreement; presentation of views of the civil society and international partners; plenary discussion of the draft report including outstanding issues, ratings and the new recommendations (representatives of countries involved in the second round of monitoring are invited to start the discussion, followed by all other present countries); and identification of outstanding issues for discussion in the second bilateral consultation.

The *second reading* includes: presentation of the changes introduced to the report during the second bi-lateral consultations by the monitoring experts; and plenary discussion of the proposed changes with the view to adopt the final report.

Documents for discussion: draft monitoring reports on Georgia and Azerbaijan (will be sent to registered participants 2 weeks before the meeting, in English and Russian)

Istanbul Anti-Corruption Action Plan: Progress Updates

Armenia, Kyrgyz Republic, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan should provide progress updates at this meeting, including a *brief summary of measures taken to implement the recommendations provided in the previous monitoring report and any other major anti-corruption developments*. During the meeting each country is asked to give a 10 minute presentation of its progress update. Further, experts/countries which participated in the previous monitoring round are invited to ask questions. Finally, civil society groups and other delegates are invited to contribute to the discussion. *Written versions of the progress updates should be sent by 9 September 2013.*

Documents for discussion: progress updates by Armenia, Kyrgyz Republic, Kazakhstan, Mongolia, Tajikistan, Ukraine and Uzbekistan (will be sent to the registered participants before the meeting, in English and Russian)

Update and discussion on the implementation of the ACN Work Programme 2013-2015

This item is to inform the ACN Steering Group on the progress made and next steps in the implementation of the ACN Work Programme 2013 – 2015 and on the role of the Steering Group in its evaluation. The format is a Secretariat presentation followed by questions and answers by the delegates.

Document for information: [ACN Work Programme 2013 – 2015](#)

Discussion of the ACN Cross-Country Thematic Studies

The Secretariat will present the draft terms of references to the Steering Group. The Steering Group members will be invited to provide their general comments and endorse the terms of references.

Document for discussion: draft Terms of References

Other business

Other issues may be discussed by the Steering Group. They will be identified by the Chair with the assistance of the Secretariat, according to the requests received from the delegations, and announced during the meeting.

Consultations on ACN Thematic Studies on Criminalisation and Law Enforcement and on Anti-Corruption Policies and Prevention

Participants will be invited to split in two groups. The Secretariat will in further detail present the two draft terms of references. The Steering group members will be invited to provide their inputs on the scope, the sources of information, questionnaires, timeline, outputs and other methodological aspects of each study.

After that, in a roundtable, the delegates are invited to provide brief information on recent developments (reforms, examples of good practice, programmes, etc.) in their countries or organizations that can be used in the development of the thematic studies.

Documents for discussion and information: draft Terms of References