Meeting of the Global Network of Law Enforcement Practitioners against Transnational Bribery

International Co-operation in Transnational Bribery Cases

AGENDA

13-14 June 2017
OECD Conference Centre, Paris



Background

The Global Network of Law Enforcement Practitioners against Transnational Bribery (Global Network) is a technical network for peer learning and the exchange of experiences and good practices among law enforcement practitioners who focus primarily on fighting transnational bribery. The Network's specific focus on real-life transnational bribery cases and participation limited to law enforcement practitioners ensure candid and practice-centered discussion. In this way, this network complements other important networks such as the informal meeting of law enforcement officials of the OECD Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions (Working Group on Bribery) and the networks coordinated by Interpol, the Stolen Asset Recovery Initiative (StAR), APEC, World Bank, UNODC, and Europol.

By bringing transnational bribery enforcement practitioners together at a global level, the meeting connects members of the various law enforcement networks and other regional activities that are supported by the OECD Secretariat and the Working Group on Bribery: the Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, the ADB/OECD Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia and the Pacific, and regional activities conducted with jurisdictions in Africa, Latin America, and the Middle East.

As it has a technical focus, the network does not produce policy initiatives, political declarations, or any outcome documents.

The first meeting was funded by the United Kingdom and held in December 2015 at the OECD headquarters in Paris. It brought together 104 law enforcement practitioners from 51 countries, comprising Parties and non-parties to the Anti-Bribery Convention. The first meeting focused on corporate liability for corruption offences.

The second meeting is being funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) through Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) and has been organised by the OECD and the Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions.

Objectives of the meeting

The second meeting will focus broadly on international cooperation including mutual legal assistance. International cooperation is a very important issue in the context of law enforcement and regulatory enforcement in transnational corruption cases and was identified as a priority area by practitioners during the December 2015 meeting.

The meeting will provide a unique opportunity for investigators, prosecutors, and other law enforcement practitioners from around the world to share good practices and learn about modern and effective methods and practices regarding international cooperation, including MLA in transnational bribery cases.

Participants

The meeting is open to law enforcement officials in charge of investigating and prosecuting transnational bribery-related crimes. The meeting will be accessible only to duly registered participants to protect the confidentiality of the discussions. Participants may also wish to hold bilateral meetings with their counterparts from other jurisdictions in the margins of the meeting.

Language

The meeting will be conducted in English only.

TUESDAY, 13 JUNE 2017

MEETING OF THE GLOBAL NETWORK OF LAW ENFORCEMENT PRACTITIONERS AGAINST TRANSNATIONAL BRIBERY

09:00-09:15 **Welcome**

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Co-chairs welcome participants and explain the purpose of the meeting.

- Mr Richard Findl, Senior Prosecutor, Prosecutor's office Munich I, Germany
- Ms Anca Jurma, Prosecutor, Councillor to the Chief Prosecutor National Anticorruption Directorate, Romania

09:15-10:45 Case Presentations

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Presentation of cases involving transnational bribery or other corruption related offences. Presentations will be interactive and speakers will seek the Plenary's views on what steps the countries involved could or should have taken at each stage of the investigation. Each presentation will conclude with a Q&A session.

- Mr. Florin Bogdan Munteanu, Chief Prosecutor, National Anti-corruption Directorate, lasi Territorial Office, Romania
- Mr. Richard Barrow, Detective Chief Inspector of Police, Financial Crimes Unit/Intelligence/Drugs & Serious Crimes Task Force, Royal Cayman Islands Police Service
- Mr. Seow Kin Lam, Deputy Head, Financial investigation Branch, Corrupt Practices Investigation Bureau, Singapore
- Ms. Nada El-Asmar, Deputy Prosecutor General, Cassation Public Prosecution, Lebanon

10:45 - 11:15 Coffee Break

11:15–13:00 Working Groups - hypothetical case scenario (supply side)

See separate participant list for room information

In small groups, participants will examine a complex, hypothetical transnational bribery scenario that requires international cooperation. This session will focus on the supply side of bribery. The case will be presented in parts, covering the detection, investigation, prosecution, sanctioning, and recovery of assets. Each group will have a designated convenor to present the scenario and moderate the discussions.

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

14:00–15:00 Speed Networking

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In this structured networking event, practitioners will have the opportunity to meet each other in a series of one-to-one meetings. Each practitioner will meet with 6-7 other practitioners for a period of 7 minutes each. A separate instruction sheet will be provided on the day.

15:00-16:30 Working Groups - hypothetical case scenario (demand side)

See separate participant list for room information

Participants will split into small groups to discuss the same hypothetical transnational bribery scenario, this time focussing on the demand side of the bribe. Each group will have a designated convenor to present the scenario and moderate the discussions.

16:30-16:45 Coffee Break

16:45-17:45 Panel Discussion - sensitive issues related to international cooperation

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Co-chairs will moderate a panel discussion that explores the sensitive issues that can arise when seeking international cooperation in transnational bribery cases.

Speakers

- Mr. Walter Maeder, Federal Prosecutor, responsible for international corruption, Office of the Attorney General of Switzerland
- Mr. Yudi Purnomo, Investigator, Corruption Eradication Commission of the Republic of Indonesia
- Mrs. Hauwa Garba, Senior Detective, Asset Recovery and Forfeiture Management, Economic and Financial Crimes Commission, Nigeria
- Ms. Marianne Djupesland, Senior Public Prosecutor, Norwegian National Authority for Investigation and Prosecution of Economic and Environmental Crime - ØKOKRIM, Norway
- Mr. John Carroll, Head of Strategy and Policy Division, Serious Fraud Office, United Kingdom
- Mr. Wellington Cabral Saraiva, Circuit Federal Prosecutor, International Cooperation Unit, Federal Prosecution Office, Brazil

17:45-18:00 Reflection and Closing Remarks

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Co-chairs will moderate a roundtable discussion allowing participants to reflect on this meeting. What did participants like and dislike about it? Would another meeting of this nature be worthwhile or not? If so, what topic or topics would you like covered and should the structure be similar or different?

Co-chairs offer closing remarks to conclude the meeting.

18:00-19:30 Cocktail Reception

WEDNESDAY, 14 JUNE 2017 TRAINING WORKSHOPS ON MLA

Interested participants from non-Working Group on Bribery countries are invited to a training workshop on mutual legal assistance. Participants will have the opportunity to work directly with peers from different regions in discussing and drafting a hypothetical MLA request.

Note: The Secretariat/moderators will welcome participants at the main entrance at 09:10 and guide them to their respective training rooms.

09:30-09:45	Welcome
See separate participant list for room information	The convenor of each small group welcomes the participants and explains the purpose of the training workshop.
09:45-12:00	Hypothetical MLA request scenario – discussion and drafting
	Participants discuss and draft a hypothetical MLA request. Each group will have a designated convenor to present the scenario and moderate the discussions and drafting exercise.