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TI BiH, ACCOUNT and Public Procurement Agency organize a conference regarding the Amendments to the Law on Public Procurement

Sarajevo, 18th June 2018 -- Transparency International in Bosnia and Herzegovina (TI BiH), Anti-corruption Network ACCOUNT and Public Procurement Agency are organizing a conference entitled „Reform of BiH Public Procurement System“, at which it will present current and planned activities of the institutions and civil society organizations related to the improvements of the Law on Public Procurement, and monitoring of public procurement in BiH.

This will also be the opportunity to present proposals for the amendments to the Law on Public Procurement, including the proposals of the civil society organizations aimed at improving transparency and preventing corruption in public procurement.

In addition to this, the conference will serve to exchange experiences between competent institutions and civil society organizations in regard to monitoring public procurement and current practice in this field used in Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The conference will be attended by the representatives of BiH Public Procurement Agency, BiH Procurement Review Body, institutions that comprised Working Group for Amendments to the Law, civil society organizations which are active in monitoring public procurement process, and relevant experts and representatives of international organizations and institutions. The opening remarks, beside the organizer, will also be given by the US Ambassador to BiH, Her Excellency Maureen Cormack, and Head of EU Delegation to BiH, Lars Gunnar Wigemark.

The conference will be held **on 19th June 2018, starting at 09.00h, at the Hotel Bristol in Sarajevo.** Please find the agenda attached. **Press conference will be held at 09.15h.**

Reform of BiH Public Procurement System / Sarajevo, 19/06/2018, Hotel Bristol

09.00 – 09.15	Arrival and registration of participants
09.15 – 09.30	Press conference
09.30 – 10.00	Opening remarks <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Maureen Cormack</i>, US Ambassador to BiH• <i>Lars Gunnar Wigemark</i>, Head of EU Delegation to BiH• <i>Đenan Salčin</i>, Director of BiH Public Procurement Agency• <i>Srđan Blagovčanin</i>, Chairman of the Board of Directors of TI BiH• <i>Eldin Karić</i>, Director of the Anti-corruption Network ACCOUNT• <i>Mathias Muehle</i>, Program Leader, Strengthening of Public Institutions, GIZ
10.00 – 10.15	Signing memorandum between Public Procurement Agency and Transparency International in BiH
10.15 – 10.30	Coffee break
10.30 – 11.30	Panel I: Amendments to the Law on Public Procurement (moderator: <i>Elvira Mujkić</i> , TI BiH Project Manager) Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Josip Jakovac</i>, President of the Working Group for the Amendments to the Law on Public Procurement, Public Procurement Agency• <i>Nikolina Silak</i>, Vice-President of the Working Group for the Amendments to the Law on Public Procurement, Procurement Review Body BiH• <i>Nermin Lapandić</i>, Member of the Working Group, Ministry of Defence of BiH• <i>Amira Lazović</i>, Member of the Working Group, Directorate for European Integration• <i>Aleksandra Martinović</i>, Member of the Advisory Board of TI BiH
11.30 – 12.00	Discussion
12.00 – 12.15	Presentation: Experience of the Sector for Public Procurement Inspection of Montenegro <i>Hivzo Kajević</i> , Chief Inspector for Public Procurement, Administration for Inspection Affairs of Montenegro
12.15 – 12.30	Coffee break
12.30 – 13.30	Panel II: Monitoring of public procurement procedures (moderator: <i>Elvira Mujkić</i> , TI BiH Project Manager) Panelists: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Sanja Ćubela</i>, Director of Branch Office Mostar, BiH Public Procurement Agency• <i>Milica Pranjić</i>, Legal adviser, Court of BiH• <i>Hrvoje Tvrtković</i>, Head of the Performance Audit Department, Audit Office of the Institutions of BiH• <i>Mervan Miraščija</i>, Law program coordinator, Open Society Fund BiH
13.30 – 14.00	Discussion
14.00 – 14.30	Basic system challenges in the future / Conclusions (moderator: <i>Aleksandra Martinović</i> , Member of the Advisory Board of TI BiH) <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Đenan Salčin</i>, Director of BiH Public Procurement Agency• <i>Eldin Karić</i>, Director of the Anti-corruption Network ACCOUNT
	14.30 Lunch