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International Conference „Time to Act: Reality of Anticorruption Policies“

Sarajevo, November 28, 2019 - Transparency International in Bosnia and Herzegovina (TI BiH), with the support of the Swedish Embassy in Bosnia and Herzegovina, is organizing International Conference "Time to Act: Reality of Anticorruption Policies" which will be held on **November 29, 2019 at the Swissôtel Hotel in Sarajevo, starting at 09:30.**

At the Conference, international experts will discuss the urging challenges in the fight against corruption from the perspective of academics and practitioners. They will address the question of responsibility for the capture of the state by the elite and how to fight corruption in such an environment, and will also offer solutions to lowering society's apathy towards detecting corruption. They will also consider why certain approaches in fight against corruption succeed in some places while in others they do not produce results at all, and will try to resolve the key dilemma: has anti-corruption failed, and whether the approach to the fight against corruption is wrong and if the fight against corruption is a political or technical issue.

Some of the leading anti-corruption experts from the world and the region will try to answer these questions, including:

- **Jose Ugaz**, prosecutor who prosecuted the notorious Peruvian President Fujimori and the secretary of the secret service Montesinos who subsequently led the global front against corruption as chairman of Transparency International.
- **Drago Kos**, chairman of the OECD Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions, as well as one of the chairmen of the MENA-OECD Business Integrity Network, and Defense Corruption Monitoring Committee (NAKO) in Ukraine, and adviser to the Anti-Corruption Agency in Kosovo.
- **Paul M. Heywood**, Professor at the School of Politics and International Relations at the University of Nottingham, and currently works in Washington with Global Integrity, where he is the leader of the Anti-Corruption Evidence Program (GI-ACE)..
- **Jasmin Mujanović**, political scientist with a doctoral degree from York University with a specialization in post-authoritarian regimes and post-conflict democratization and a political science professor at Elon University.
- **Anna Persson** Professor and Lecturer at the Department of Political Science of Gothenburg University, a member of the governing board of the Institute for Government Quality (QoG), as well as the Center for Globalization and Development in Gothenburg (GCGD).

The event will bring together academics and practitioners, representatives of relevant domestic institutions, international organizations, civil society organizations and others.

The media will be addressed by H.E. Johanna Strömquist, Swedish Ambassador to Bosnia and Herzegovina, Srđan Blagovčanin, Chairman of the Board, Transparency International in BiH, Drago Kos, Chairman of the OECD Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions, and Senada Šelo Šabić, Senior Researcher, Department of International Economics and Political Relations at the Institute for Development and International Relations (IRMO) in Zagreb.

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Statements to the media are planned at 9:30 p.m. Detailed information on the agenda can be found below.

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AGENDA

09:30 **Arrival of Participants**

09:30 – 10:00 **Statements to the media**

10:00 – 10:30 **Introductory Remarks**

- *H.E. Johanna Strömquist*, Ambassador of Sweden to Bosnia and Herzegovina
- *Srđan Blagovčanin*, Chair of Board of Directors, Transparency International in BiH

Panel 1

10:30 - 12:30 **Rethinking Anti-corruption Reform: Diagnosis v. Remedy**

- *Paul M. Heywood*, Professor, School of Politics and International Relations at the University of Nottingham
- *Anna Persson*, Associate Professor and Senior lecturer, Department of Political Science, University of Gothenburg
- *Senada Šelo Šabić*, Senior Research Associate, Department for International Economic and Political Relations at the Institute for Development and International Relations (IRMO) in Zagreb
- *Jasmin Mujanović*, Political scientist and analyst, Assistant Professor of Political Science and Policy Studies at Elon University

12:30 - 13:00 *Coffee Break*

Panel 2

13:00 - 15:00 **Effective Institutions in a State of Corruption and Apathy**

- *Jose Ugaz*, Jurist
- *Drago Kos*, Chair of the OECD Working Group on Bribery in International Business Transactions
- *Zoran Stojiljković*, Professor, Faculty of Political Sciences of the University of Belgrade
- *Agnes Czibik*, Project manager and analyst at Government Transparency Institute
- *Dobriša Govedarica*, Director of Open Society Foundations, Bosnia and Herzegovina
- *Uglješa Vuković*, Transparency International in BiH

15:00 - 15:30 **Concluding Remarks**

15:30 *Lunch*

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