



News

Arrests highlight Montenegro's efforts against corruption

The recent arrests of high-ranking officials in Budva are positive signals that Montenegro is making a concerted effort to prosecute corruption cases, experts said. Montenegrin police arrested Budva Mayor Lazar Radjenovic last month on suspicion of abuse of office.

SETimes, 1st April, 2014.

Bulgaria's Custom Agency builds new anti-corruption structure

Bulgaria's Customs Agency formed a new directorate for corruption prevention and counteraction, Wednesday. The Professional Standards and Control structure is the result of changes in the Customs Agency regulations adopted by the government in mid-March, Dnevnik reports.

Novinite.com - Sofia News Agency, 2nd April, 2014.

In Macedonia, an effort to stop corrupt police

The arrests of three police officers, including the deputy head of internal affairs in Ohrid, is part of a no-tolerance policy that Macedonia has instituted against corruption in the police force.

SETimes, 2nd April, 2014.

Corruption cases increase, 128 indictments against senior officials in Kosovo

Agency Against Corruption (AAK) has filed 128 criminal indictments in 2013 for cases suspected of corruption. Among those who have been investigated are also deputy prime ministers, ministers, MPs, prosecutors and judges.

Independent Balkan News Agency, 2nd April, 2014.

Government corruption is the cause of the deterioration of the Albanian economy, says leader of opposition

Leader of the Albanian opposition, Lulzim Basha received in special meetings the representatives of the World Bank in Albania, Mrs. Tahseen Sayed and the representative of the International Monetary Fund, Mr. Nadeem Iilahi. Basha expressed the concern of the opposition about what he considered to be the wrong path where the government has led the Albanian economy.

Independent Balkan News Agency, 30th April, 2014.

Perception on the main corrupted domains in FYR Macedonia

In the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, citizens believe that political parties and courts are the most corrupted ones.

Independent Balkan News Agency, 6th May, 2014.

Corruption Hampers Bulgaria's Economic Growth – IMF

Economic growth in Greece, Bulgaria, Romania and Hungary are hampered by corruption, according to Aasim Husain, Deputy Director in the European Department of the IMF.

Novinite.com - Sofia News Agency, 21st May, 2014.

Upcoming Events



SEMINAR ON ANTI-FRAUD AND
ANTI-CORRUPTION MEASURES
IN EUROPEAN STRUCTURAL
AND INVESTMENT FUNDS



Seminar on Anti-fraud and Anti-corruption Measures in European Structural and Investment Funds

The European Commission in cooperation with Transparency International, 25th June, Naples, Italy

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Collective Action: Going Further Together to Counter Corruption, B20 Collective Action Hub, 26th-27th June, 2014, Basel, Switzerland

Anti-corruption in Local Governance Training, IACA, 14th-18th July, 2014, Laxenburg, Austria

Reports and Analyses

Public Perceptions of Standards in Public Life in the UK and Europe

Research by the Committee for Standards in Public Life (CSPL) has measured a decline in perceptions of standards in public life amongst the British public, alongside a decreasing level of trust in many public institutions, since its first survey into public attitudes to standards in public life in 2004.

Committee on Standards in Public Life, UK, March 2014

EU Integrity System: the Report

Can we be sure that the EU institutions are free of the corruption risks present at the national level? Public trust in the EU institutions is low, and recent scandals have called into question EU integrity. The Transparency International EU office presents the first ever comprehensive review of corruption and integrity risks in the EU institutions – the EU Integrity System report – to separate myth from reality and put forward recommendations for reform.

Transparency International EU, 24th April, 2014

Bulgarian Anti-Corruption Reforms: A Lost Decade?

The Worldwide Governance Indicators show that Bulgaria has made significant progress in the area of "control of corruption" since 1996. This finding contrasts with the general opinion of the Bulgarian population who perceive Bulgarian institutions as corrupt, and contradicts the decision of the European Commission to continue monitoring Bulgaria's progress in fighting corruption and organised crime.

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