

FIGHTING CORRUPTION: FROM HEADLINES TO REAL IMPACT

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A **global** NGO coalition fighting corruption:

- more than 100 National Chapters worldwide
- **25 Chapters** in 28 EU Member States
- International Secretariat in Berlin
- EU Office in Brussels



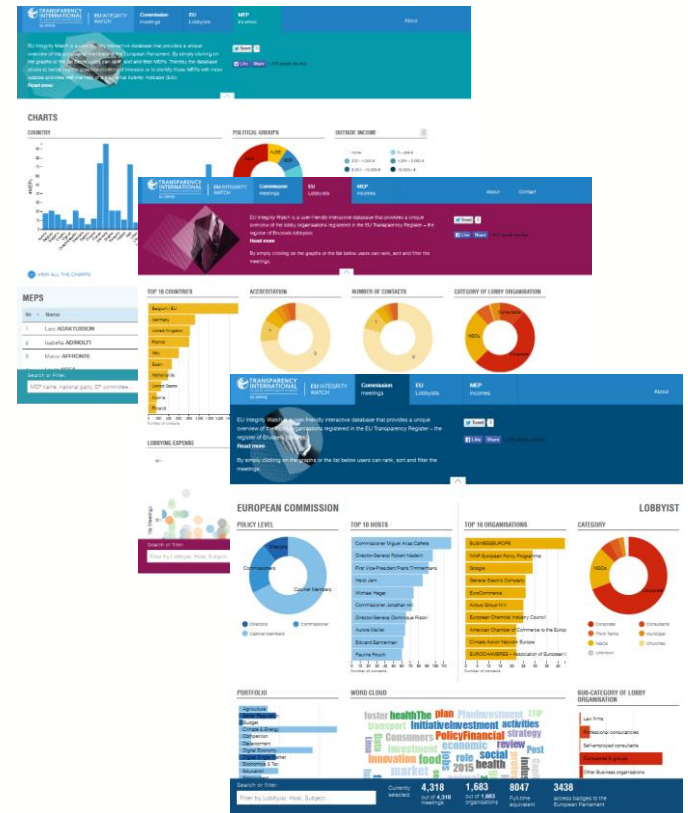
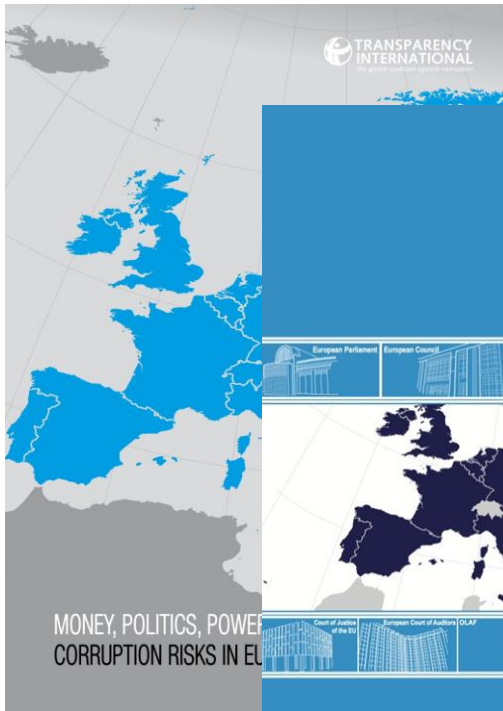
■ Countries and territories with a Transparency International chapter

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WHAT WE DO



INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORKS



Corruption: a transnational problem needs a transnational response

- 1997 OECD Anti-Bribery Convention.
- 1999 Council of Europe Conventions
- 2003 United Nations Convention against Corruption

EU LEGAL FRAMEWORK



EU's foundational legal instruments/texts in fight against corruption are:

- 1995 Convention on Protection of EC Financial Interests
- 1997 European Union Convention on the fight against corruption involving officials of EU and its member states;
- Article 83(1) of TFEU which provides a mandate for EU to address serious crime (mentioning corruption, among others) with a European or cross-border dimension;
- Article 325(4) of TFEU which provides a legal basis for all necessary measures to fight against fraud affecting the financial interests of EU;

TYOLOGY OF EU INSTRUMENTS



Conditionality

- **EU accession process**
- **Structural and Investment Funds**

Detection

- **European Anti-Fraud Office**
- **European Public Prosecutor**

Legislation

- **EU Anti-corruption legislation**
- **EU Transparency legislation**

Monitoring

- **Cooperation and Verification Mechanism**
- **Anti-Corruption Report**
- **European Semester**

CONDITIONALITY



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EU Accession Process

- Chapter 23 on Judiciary and Fundamental Rights & Chapter 24 on Justice, Freedom and Security ([Enlargement Strategy 2011-2012](#))
- Focus on legislation and institutions

EU Structural Funds

- Formal aspects
- Performance and participation?

DETECTION

Conditionality

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- **OLAF**
- **European Public Prosecutor Office**

LEGAL INSTRUMENTS



Accession
Process

Detection

Legislation

Monitoring

- **EU Anti-corruption legislation**
 - Private sector-to-private sector bribery (2003)
 - Anti-Money Laundering (since 2003)
 - Confiscation of criminal assets (2013)
- **EU Transparency legislation**
 - Oil, gas, mining transparency
 - Corporate transparency
 - Public procurement
 - Beneficial ownership (2015)

MONITORING



Accession
Process

Detection

Legislation

Monitoring

- **EU Monitoring**
 - Post-accession special monitoring ('Cooperation and Verification Mechanism')
 - 2014 Anti-Corruption Report
 - European Semester

WHAT NEXT?



- Recognition that this is core to the EU's mission
- A comprehensive EU anti-corruption strategy
- Policy coherence
 - Trade secrets
 - Freedom of information

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