Innovating Solutions to Systemic Corruption in Eurasia

Strengthening Ukraine’s Sovereignty Through Sustainable Anti-Corruption

Wednesday, April 21, 2021

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM

Please join Columbia’s Harriman Institute and Center for the Advancement of Public Integrity for a meeting of the Innovating Solutions to Systemic Corruption in Eurasia Forum. The topic of the April 21 session will be Strengthening Ukraine’s Sovereignty Through Sustainable Anti-Corruption.

The Innovating Solutions to Systemic Corruption in Eurasia Forum helps generate solutions to counter systemic corruption in countries in Eurasia and other regions. During interactive sessions, participants incubate solutions that integrate new models and tools from across professional disciplines, including academia, government, civil society, law enforcement, finance, and social media. The objective is to highlight and strengthen emerging best practices in the Eurasia region.

The event will consist of two panels:

- Panel 1: Innovating Solutions – National Security and Anti-Corruption
- Panel 2: Innovating Solutions – Applying Lessons Learned and Building Independent Institutions

Agenda

Session 1  Innovating Solutions – National Security and Anti-Corruption

9:00 am – 9:10 am  Introduction of Forum by Alexander Cooley

Co-chair of Innovating Solutions to Systemic Corruption in Eurasia Forum and Director of the Harriman Institute and the Claire Tow Professor of Political Science at Barnard College

9:10 am – 9:40 am  Assessing the Threat of Corruption Networks to National Security

Lt. Colonel Alexander Vindman (Ret), Fellow, Foreign Policy Research Institute, Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies; Former Director for Eastern Europe, the Caucasus, and Russia, National Security Council

Moderated by Matthew Murray

Co-Chair of Innovating Solutions to Systemic Corruption in Eurasia Forum and Adjunct Professor of International and Public Affairs at Columbia

Session 2  Innovating Solutions – Applying Lessons Learned and Building Independent Institutions
9:40 am – 10:00 am  Report Card on Current Anti-Corruption Reforms  
Daria Kaleniuk, Executive Director, Ukraine Anti-Corruption Action Center

10:00 am – 10:20 am  When Everyone Sees Everything: How Prozorro Reshaped Public Procurement in Ukraine  
Tetiana Lisovska, eProcurement Team Lead for USAID/UK aid’s Transparency and Accountability in Public Administration and Services Activity  
Robert O’Donovan, Vice President, Eurasia Foundation

10:20 am – 10:40 am  Break

10:40 am – 11:10 am  Building Capacity of Anti-Corruption Court  
Andriy Kozlov, Attorney and Former member of the High Qualification Commission of Judges  
Mykhalo Zhernakov, Co-Founder and Chair of Board of Directors, DeJure Foundation; Former judge of the Vinnytsia District Administrative Court, Ukraine  
Judge Mark Wolf, Senior United States District Judge, and the former Chief Judge; and Chair of Integrity Initiatives International

11:10 am – 11:30 am  A Holistic Strategy for Countering a Systemic Challenge  
Eka Tkeshelashvili, Head of Program, European Anti-Corruption Initiative, EU; President of Georgian Institute of Strategic Studies

11:30 am – 11:45 am  New Reform Strategies and Models  
Marc Ellingstad, Director of Office of Democracy and Governance, U.S. Agency for International Development, Ukraine

11:45 am – 12:00 pm  Next Steps in Anti-Corruption Innovation in Ukraine  
Matthew Murray, Columbia University  
Alexander Cooley, Harriman Institute