

PROTECTING AID FUNDS

DAY I, TUESDAY MAY 18

9:00-9:45 REGISTRATION

9:45 WELCOME TO PARTICIPANTS

Jorge Vala Director of ICS-UL, Portugal

Luis de Sousa Ancorage-Net Director, ICS-UL, Portugal

10:00 OPENING SESSION

Keynote address by Mr. João Titterington Gomes Cravinho

Portuguese Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation (tbc)

Mr. Koos Richelle Europe Aid Director-General, Belgium

Promoting good governance through development aid: the Commissions approach

10:30 Coffee break & Group Photograph (30 minutes)

11:00-12:30 SESSION 1

ASSESSING GOVERNANCE PROBLEMS SOUTH OF THE BORDER

Chair: Alexious Nampota Director of the Malawi Anti-Corruption Bureau, Malawi

Heather Marquette IDD, University of Birmingham, UK

Donors, corruption and State-building in difficult environments

Jean Cartier-Bresson Centre d'Economie et d'Ethique pour l'Environnement et le Développement, France

Endemic corruption, state failure and underdevelopment in sub-Saharan Africa: can Western donor agencies find allies in unstable governance environments?

João Fernandes Director of OIKOS, Portugal

The tension between aid Flows, State Capacity and development needs

Debate (20 minutes)

12:30 Lunch (2 hours)

14:30-18:00 SESSION 2

SETTING GOOD GOVERNANCE STANDARDS IN COUNTRIES UNDERGOING POLITICAL TRANSITION

Chair: Cláudia Caldeirinha Director of Fairconsultancy, Belgium

Caitlin Ryan Program Coordinator Transparent Aid, Transparency International, Georgia

Post-war aid to internally displaced persons in Georgia: a case study of government and donor accountability mechanisms

Philippe Schmitter Emeritus Professor, European University Institute, Italy

Empirical evidence on the impact of EU democracy assistance

IN UNSTABLE GOVERNANCE ENVIRONMENTS

Harald Mathisen Senior Programme Coordinator, U4 Anti-Corruption Resource Centre, Norway

Can aid to anti-corruption work? Lessons in effective aid delivery

Debate (20 minutes)

16:00 Coffee break (20 minutes)

DAY II, WEDNESDAY MAY 19

TOWARDS A MULTI-LEVEL AND MULTI-PLAYER STRATEGY FOR THE PROTECTION OF AID FUNDS

9:30-10:30 SESSION 3

WHAT ROLE FOR NATIONAL AUDIT, PREVENTION AND INVESTIGATION AGENCIES?

Chair: Michel Barrau Director of the French Corruption Prevention Bureau, France

Guilherme d'Oliveira Martins President of the Portuguese Court of Accounts and Corruption Prevention Council, Portugal

Detecting fraudulent opportunity structures in development aid: what role for National Audit offices?

Lionel Benaiche Secretary General of the French Corruption Prevention Bureau, France

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Debate (20 minutes)

10:30 Coffee break (20 minutes)

11:00-13:00 SESSION 4

WHAT ROLE FOR DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES IN THE PROTECTION OF AID FUNDS?

Chair: Reinhard Naumann, Friedrich Ebert Foundation/Lisbon, Portugal

Brian Cooksey Tanzania Development Research Group, Tanzania

Can aid agencies really help combat corruption? An overview of donor policies and practices in East Africa

Joachim Prey Deputy Director, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Technische Zusammenarbeit (GTZ) GmbH, Germany

How are the Paris Declaration and the Millennium Development Goals linked to anti-corruption? GTZ's approach in North Africa/Middle East

Girogio Pasqualucci European Commission Humanitarian Aid & Civil Protection (ECHO), Belgium

ECHO's approach to safeguarding the credibility and transparency of Community humanitarian aid

Debate (20 minutes)

13:00 Lunch (90 minutes)

14:30-16:00 SESSION 5

WHAT ROLE FOR SUPRANATIONAL AND MULTILATERAL AGENCIES IN THE PROTECTION OF AID FUNDS?

Chair: Wolfgang Hetzer, The European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), Belgium

Paul Lachal Roberts The European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF), Belgium

OLAF's approach to the fight against fraud and corruption of aid funds

Ana Gomes MEP Group of the Progressive Alliance of Socialists and Democrats in the European Parliament, Belgium

The Role of the European Parliament in setting governance standards in aid recipient countries

Laurence Whitehead Red Euro-Latinoamericana de Gobernabilidad para el Desarrollo, Nuffield College, University of Oxford

Some comparative observations concerning current multilateral anti-corruption agreements

Debate (20 minutes)

16:00 Coffee break (20 minutes)

16:30-18:00 SESSION 6

WHAT ROLE FOR CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS IN THE PROTECTION OF AID FUNDS?

Chairs: Luís Mah, Coordinator of United Nations Millennium Campaign, Portugal & Cândida Pinto SIC, Portugal

Roslyn G. Hees, Senior Advisor Transparency International, US

Preventing corruption in humanitarian operations: monitoring relief, recovery and reconstruction aid in Haiti

Karin Christiansen Director of Publish What You Fund, UK

Civil society monitoring of the disbursement and implementation of aid programmes

Hermínia Ribeiro IMVF, Plataforma Portuguesa das Organizações Não Governamentais para Desenvolvimento, Portugal

The dialogue between development NGOs and governmental authorities

Debate (20 minutes)

18:00 CONCLUDING REMARKS

NEXT STEPS

Luis de Sousa, Ancorage-Net Director, ICS-UL, Portugal