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Special Event during the UNCAC Implementation Review Group

Repairing the Damage: Redress for Victims of Corruption

Tuesday 3 September 2019, 17:00 – 18:00, M building, Room M3

Background:
Many countries are stepping up national and transnational law enforcement efforts to bring parties involved in corruption to justice. In both the national and international contexts, the question of victims' redress and the reparation of damages is critical.

While several countries are piloting and developing solutions, no single approach so far has proven to be flawless. Challenges in the reparation process are abundant. There is an increasing need by all parties for an exchange on options and alternatives, and a forum for learning. While the challenges can be very specific to a particular case or jurisdiction, the nature of the problems are similar:

- How to identify the victims?
- How to measure and assess the damage of a corruption case?
- Is it possible to repair the damage caused by corruption?
- How can return mechanisms be designed to ensure that compensation reaches victims?
- How to deal with collective damages?
- How to involve victims in the reparation process?

Objectives:
This meeting seeks to facilitate an expert discussion on approaches and best practices for addressing redress for the damage caused by corruption in line with UNCAC Articles 34 and 35, and with this the identification of different types of victims of corruption and the establishment of mechanisms for compensation and redress.

Panellists:
- Fabiano Angelico, Transparency International Brazil, on options and mechanisms
- Sara Brimbeuf, Transparency International France, on reparations and the reform of the French legal framework
- Felipe Freitas Falconi, Associate Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice Officer at UNODC, with an overview of the implementation of Art. 34 and 35 and experiences on compensation for social damages collected for an upcoming StAR report

Moderator: Juanita Olaya, Chair of the UNCAC Coalition

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