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Annotated provisional agenda

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Annotations

1. Organizational matters

(a) Opening of the meeting

The meeting of the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on the Prevention of Corruption will be opened on Monday, 22 August 2016, at 10 a.m.

(b) Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

The provisional agenda for the meeting was prepared in accordance with Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption resolutions 6/1, entitled “Continuation of the review of implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption”, 6/6, entitled “Follow-up to the Marrakech declaration on the prevention of corruption”, and 6/7, entitled “Promoting the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption”, adopted by the Conference at its sixth session, held in St. Petersburg, Russian Federation, from 2 to 6 November 2015.

The proposed organization of work annexed to the present document was prepared in accordance with the above-mentioned resolutions to enable the Working Group to consider the agenda items within the time and according to the conference services available. The resources available to the meeting will permit the holding of a three-day meeting, consisting of two plenary meetings per day with full interpretation in the official languages of the United Nations.

2. Implementation of Conference resolutions 6/6, entitled “Follow-up to the Marrakech declaration on the prevention of corruption”, and 6/7, entitled “Promoting the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption”

In its resolution 3/2, the Conference stressed the importance of implementing articles 5 to 14 of the Convention against Corruption to prevent and fight corruption. In the same resolution, the Conference decided to establish an interim open-ended intergovernmental working group to advise and assist the Conference in the implementation of its mandate on the prevention of corruption and also decided that the working group should perform the following functions:

- (a) Assist the Conference in developing and accumulating knowledge in the area of prevention of corruption;
- (b) Facilitate the exchange of information and experience among States on preventive measures and practices;
- (c) Facilitate the collection, dissemination and promotion of best practices in the prevention of corruption;
- (d) Assist the Conference in encouraging cooperation among all stakeholders and sectors of society in order to prevent corruption.

In its resolution 6/6, the Conference welcomed the work of the Working Group, in particular the substantive discussions in relation to the different provisions of

chapter II of the Convention. The Conference noted with appreciation the achievements of the Working Group in facilitating the sharing of information between States parties on their initiatives and good practices, and encouraged States parties to continue to share with the Secretariat new and updated information and good practices on their implementation of that chapter.

In the same resolution, the Conference welcomed the commitment made and efforts undertaken by States parties to provide information on good practices in preventing corruption that is gathered, systematized and disseminated by the Secretariat in the performance of its functions as an international observatory, and requested States parties to continue sharing information. The Conference also requested the Secretariat, subject to the availability of extrabudgetary resources, to continue its work as an observatory, including by updating the thematic website of the Working Group with relevant information.

In its resolution 6/1, the Conference requested the Secretariat to structure the provisional agendas of the subsidiary bodies established by the Conference in such a way as to avoid the duplication of discussions, while respecting their mandates. Furthermore, in its resolution 6/7, the Conference requested that the relevant subsidiary bodies discuss promoting the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the Convention in order to facilitate public sector transparency and combat corruption and draw up a list of best practices on how to enhance and promote such use.

In its resolution 6/6, the Conference requested the Secretariat to continue, in cooperation with relevant international organizations, partners and donors, to develop studies, training materials, guides and tools for Governments and sports organizations to enable them to further strengthen measures in the area of protecting integrity in sport.

In the light of those resolutions, the topics for discussion at the forthcoming seventh intersessional meeting of the Working Group, to be held in Vienna from 22 to 24 August 2016, will be:

- (a) The use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the Convention in order to facilitate public sector transparency and combat corruption;
- (b) The protection of integrity in sport by promoting good governance in sport and mitigating the risk of corruption that sport faces.

At its meeting held in Vienna from 22 to 24 August 2011, the Working Group recommended that, in advance of each of its future meetings States parties should be invited to share their experiences of implementing the provisions under consideration, preferably by using the self-assessment checklist and including, where possible, successes, challenges, technical assistance needs and lessons learned in implementation. The Working Group requested the Secretariat to prepare background papers synthesizing that information and decided that panel discussions should be held during its meetings, involving experts from countries who had provided written responses on the priority themes under consideration.

(a) Good practices and initiatives in the prevention of corruption

- (i) *Thematic discussion on the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the Convention in order to facilitate public sector transparency and combat corruption*

The consideration of the topic on the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the Convention in order to facilitate public sector transparency and combat corruption will begin with a panel discussion that will include a presentation on the background paper prepared by the Secretariat on that topic, based on input from States parties and the private sector in advance of the meeting.

- (ii) *Thematic discussion on the protection of integrity in sport by promoting good governance in sport and mitigating the risk of corruption that sport faces*

The consideration of the topic on the protection of integrity in sport by promoting good governance in sport and mitigating the risk of corruption that sport faces will begin with a panel discussion that will include a presentation on the background paper prepared by the Secretariat on that topic, based on input from States parties and the private sector in advance of the meeting.

(b) Other recommendations

A discussion will be held on the implementation of Conference resolutions 6/5, 6/6, 6/7 and 6/8.

Documentation

Background paper prepared by the Secretariat on the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (CAC/COSP/WG.4/2016/2)

Background paper prepared by the Secretariat on integrity in sport (CAC/COSP/WG.4/2016/3)

Background paper prepared by the Secretariat on the status of implementation of Conference resolution 6/6, entitled “Follow-up to the Marrakech declaration on the prevention of corruption” (CAC/COSP/WG.4/2016/4)

3. Future priorities

A discussion will be held on the future work of the Working Group in advising and assisting the Conference in the implementation of its mandates on the prevention of corruption, in the light of relevant Conference resolutions, particularly resolution 6/1.

4. Adoption of the report

The Working Group is to adopt a report on its meeting, the draft of which will be prepared by the Secretariat.

Annex

Proposed organization of work

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Title or description</i>
Monday, 22 August	10 a.m.-1 p.m.	1 (a)	Opening of the meeting
		1 (b)	Adoption of the agenda and organization of work
		2 (a)(i)	Good practices and initiatives in the prevention of corruption: thematic discussion on the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the Convention in order to facilitate public sector transparency and combat corruption
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Tuesday, 23 August	10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 3-6 p.m.	2 (a)(ii)	Good practices and initiatives in the prevention of corruption: thematic discussion on the protection of integrity in sport by promoting good governance in sport and mitigating the risk of corruption that sport faces
		2 (b)	Other recommendations
Wednesday, 24 August	10 a.m.-1 p.m. 3-6 p.m.	3	Future priorities
		4	Adoption of the report