



ST. PETERSBURG STRATEGIC FRAMEWORK FOR THE G20 ANTI-CORRUPTION WORKING GROUP

G20 leaders are committed to rid their economies of the corrosive effects of corruption. Corruption remains a serious challenge, impeding economic growth and development, threatening the integrity of markets, undermining fair competition, distorting resource allocation and undermining public trust and the rule of law. Since its launch in 2010 at the Toronto G20 Summit, the Anti-Corruption Working Group has become a prominent means for G20 countries to cooperate in raising the standards of transparency and accountability across the G20 and to contribute to the global fight against corruption.

The G20 Leaders hereby agree to further strengthen our fight against corruption by agreeing that the Anti-Corruption Working Group will have the same status of other G20 working groups.

It is therefore agreed that:

1. The work of the Anti-corruption Working Group will be based on G20 Anti-corruption Action Plans, updated periodically, of fixed duration and approved by leaders, which will identify priorities for action focused on practical and valuable contributions to international efforts to combat corruption and which demonstrate leadership by example by the G20 countries.
2. The G20 Anti-corruption Action Plan will address at a minimum, the following action areas:
 - encourage ratification and implementation of UNCAC and other relevant anti-corruption conventions, and encourage engagement with the OECD Working Group on Bribery,
 - enhance international cooperation in the fight against corruption,
 - develop and promote the implementation of preventive measures, including transparency, codes of conduct, educational programs, and other tools as deemed necessary,
 - develop, promote and support rigorous standards in anti-corruption legislation, regulation and policy and continue to focus on closing the implementation and enforcement gap, including for high-risk sectors,

- cooperate with the business community and civil society to promote transparency, integrity, and other anti-corruption measures, and
 - encourage implementation of relevant anti-money laundering and asset recovery measures to combat corruption.
3. The Anti-Corruption Working Group should:
- Cooperate closely with and support the work of relevant international organizations, including the Organization of Economic Cooperation and Development, the United Nations Office on Drugs & Crime, the World Bank, and the Financial Action Task Force;
 - Facilitate collaboration with other G20 tracks that consider issues closely related to the G20 anti-corruption agenda;
 - Regularly monitor individual and collective progress in implementation of the G20 anti-corruption agenda, including by preparation of an annual report;
 - Participate in the development of guides, best practices and principles on topics of mutual concern and on the laws, policies, and procedures of the G20 countries relevant to preventing and combating corruption.
 - Cooperate closely with business community and civil society keeping an open dialogue with the Business 20 and the Civil 20.
4. Each G20 presidency shall maintain and publish on the official g20.org-website all the endorsed documents prepared by the Anti-Corruption Working Group, and encourage broader distribution of these documents.
5. At the discretion of the G20 Presidency, non G-20 members may be invited as observers on an ad-hoc basis to individual meetings of the Anti-Corruption Working Group.