



Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption

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Report of the open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation under the United Nations Convention against Corruption, held in Vienna from 5 to 8 September 2023

I. Introduction

1. In its resolutions 4/2, 5/1, 7/1, 8/1, 8/2, 8/6, 9/1, 9/2, 9/3 and 9/5, the Conference of the States Parties to the United Nations Convention against Corruption convened and directed the work of the open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation under the United Nations Convention against Corruption to advise and assist it with respect to the implementation of chapter IV of the Convention.

II. Organization of the meeting

A. Opening of the meeting

2. The twelfth open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation under the United Nations Convention against Corruption was held in Vienna from 5 to 8 September, in an in-person format with a virtual component.

3. The open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation held eight meetings, which were chaired by Aftab Ahmad Khokher (Pakistan), Vice-President of the Conference at its ninth session. The expert meeting considered items 3 and 4 of its agenda jointly with the Implementation Review Group and the Open-ended Intergovernmental Working Group on Asset Recovery.

B. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work

4. On 5 September 2023, the expert meeting adopted the following agenda and the organization of work for the meeting ([CAC/COSP/EG.1/2023/1](#)):

1. Opening of the meeting.
2. Adoption of the agenda and organization of work.



3. Implementation of chapter IV of the United Nations Convention against Corruption: lessons learned, good practices and challenges:
 - (a) Thematic discussion on promoting the use of information and communications technologies for the implementation of the Convention;
 - (b) Thematic discussion on developing non-binding guidelines for strengthening international and multilateral cooperation to further prevent, identify, investigate and prosecute corruption during times of emergencies and crisis response and recovery;
 - (c) Technical assistance.
4. Follow-up to the special session of the General Assembly on challenges and measures to prevent and combat corruption and strengthen international cooperation.
5. Adoption of the report.

C. Attendance

5. The following States parties to the Convention were represented at the session: Algeria, Angola, Argentina, Armenia, Australia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Bahrain, Belarus, Belgium, Botswana, Brazil, Brunei Darussalam, Burkina Faso, Canada, Chile, China, Colombia, Congo, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Cuba, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Dominican Republic, Ecuador, Egypt, El Salvador, Eswatini, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Ghana, Greece, Guatemala, Guinea, Haiti, Honduras, India, Indonesia, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Iraq, Israel, Italy, Japan, Kazakhstan, Kenya, Kiribati, Kuwait, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Libya, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Malawi, Malaysia, Mali, Malta, Mauritania, Mauritius, Mexico, Morocco, Nepal, Nigeria, Norway, Oman, Pakistan, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Philippines, Poland, Portugal, Qatar, Republic of Korea, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Saudi Arabia, Senegal, Singapore, Slovakia, Slovenia, South Africa, Spain, Sri Lanka, State of Palestine, Sudan, Sweden, Switzerland, Tajikistan, Thailand, Togo, Tunisia, Türkiye, Uganda, Ukraine, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, United Republic of Tanzania, United States of America, Uruguay, Uzbekistan, Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of), Viet Nam, Yemen and Zambia.
6. The European Union, a regional economic integration organization that is a party to the Convention, was represented at the session.
7. The following Secretariat units, United Nations bodies, funds and programmes, specialized agencies and other organizations of the United Nations system and institutes of the United Nations crime prevention and criminal justice programme network were represented by observers: Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs of the Secretariat, Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights, United Nations Development Programme, World Bank, World Health Organization, Basel Institute on Governance and Naif Arab Academy for Security Sciences.
8. The following intergovernmental organizations were represented by observers: Black Sea Economic Cooperation Organization, Commonwealth of Independent States, Cooperation Council of the Arab States of the Gulf, Economic Community of West African States, European Union Agency for Law Enforcement Cooperation, Group of States against Corruption (GRECO), Inter-American Development Bank, International Anti-Corruption Academy, International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), International Development Law Organization, League of Arab States, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development, Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative and Regional Centre

on Small Arms and Light Weapons in the Great Lakes Region, the Horn of Africa and Bordering States.

D. Documentation

9. The expert meeting had before it the following documents:
 - (a) Annotated provisional agenda ([CAC/COSP/EG.1/2023/1](#));
 - (b) Note by the Secretariat on progress in implementing the mandates of the open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation under the United Nations Convention against Corruption ([CAC/COSP/EG.1/2023/2](#));
 - (c) Note by the Secretariat on non-binding guidelines for strengthening international and multilateral cooperation to further prevent, identify, investigate and prosecute corruption during times of emergency and crisis response and recovery ([CAC/COSP/EG.1/2023/3](#)).

III. Adoption of the report

10. The report on the twelfth open-ended intergovernmental expert meeting to enhance international cooperation under the United Nations Convention against Corruption was adopted on 8 September 2023 ([CAC/COSP/EG.1/2023/L.1](#)), as orally amended.
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