MACS
Master in Anti-Corruption Studies
As corruption knows no borders, affects all countries and sectors of society and cannot be remedied with traditional educational methods alone, the Academy tackles this global phenomenon with a new, holistic approach.

This **approach** is in fact:

- **International**, as it observes regional diversity and aims at servicing all corners of the world, foreseeing the broadest possible outreach.

- **Inter-disciplinary**, providing know-how and expertise from various academic and non-academic fields.

- **Inter-sectoral**, catering all sectors of society.

- **Integrative**, in aiming to bridge the gap between theory and practice by offering theoretical and practical knowledge and tools.

- **Sustainable**, striving towards long-term and long-lasting solutions and services.
Reflecting IACA’s vision, mission and values, the Academy is the first institution of higher education worldwide to offer an international and interdisciplinary Master programme in anti-corruption studies.

The Academy’s unique approach lies in offering a diverse curriculum reflecting the different academic disciplines necessary for providing comprehensive insight into the corruption phenomenon, while offering know-how and expertise from non-academic fields and catering to all sectors of society.

Courses will be taught by renowned academics and top executive practitioners from the respective fields. The Academic Programme Consortium will be responsible for the academic oversight of the programme.

Working professionals from all over the world with a minimum of three years of working experience in, amongst others, the private and public sector, international, non-governmental and civil society organizations, as well as the media and academia.

7 modules, each lasting approx. 12 days, over a period of two years. The MACS will be a part-time programme designed for working professionals who wish to remain fully employed while pursuing their degree.

Upon successful completion, participants will receive a Master of Arts Degree (M.A.) in Anti-Corruption Studies, accredited under the European Bologna Process, which includes 120 ECTS credits (European Credit Transfer System), and enables enrolment into Ph.D. programmes.
The MACS will enable anti-corruption practitioners and executives to familiarize themselves with the intertwined manner in which corruption manifests itself, and the social complexities surrounding it.

Participants will be provided with:

- A critical and *theoretical understanding* of the corruption phenomenon, equipping them with a comprehensive perspective in anti-corruption studies.

- Exchange of *best practices* as well as the necessary *skills and tools* so as to contribute to the fight against corruption and take preventive measures to this effect into their own environment.

- A platform for *dialogue and networking* which allow for the development of grounded and sustainable strategies in the fight against corruption.
This structure enables participants to study while working full-time. Language of instructions will be English.
Recent & upcoming steps

- Start of application period on 16 July ’12
- Stakeholders meetings on 8 (constituency) and 9 (AC community) August ’12
- End of application period on 26 October ’12

Costs, time frame, subsidies

Costs:
- Programme fee: 24,700 EUR
- Overall expenses: 50,000 to 60,000 EUR - rough estimation, depending on country of origin

Time Frame:
- 7 modules, each consisting of approximately 12 days, over a period of 24 months
- 6 modules in Europe, one in Asia

Subsidies:
- IACA calls upon developed countries to support the participation of qualified students from developing countries (“capacity building & technical assistance through scholarships”)
- IACA calls upon interested individuals from developing countries to seek subsidies for participation on their own
- IACA seeks to offer a limited amount of scholarships in cooperation with donors in order to support the participation of students from LDCs