

14th Steering Group Meeting  
Manila, Philippines, 8 September 2009

## StG14-1

### Draft Agenda

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#### ■ Meeting objectives

The objectives of the 14th Steering Group meeting of the ADB/OECD Anti-Corruption Initiative for Asia and the Pacific are to:

- 1) Hear and discuss substantive presentations from country delegations on specific issues and/or activities;
- 2) Prepare for the 3rd Conference of States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption;
- 3) Discuss proposals to improve the format of oral and written reports on Action Plan implementation;
- 4) Discuss a procedure for inviting observer countries and organisations to meetings and events of the Initiative; and
- 5) Discuss a draft report of the Independent Review of the Initiative.

#### ■ Background documents

StG14-1: Draft agenda of the 14th Steering Group meeting (this document)

StG14-2: Preliminary list of participants of the 14th Steering Group meeting

StG14-3: Draft report of the Independent Review of the Initiative

StG14-4: Draft formal statement by the Initiative and proposals for its presentation at the 3rd Conference of States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption

StG14-5: Proposals to improve the format of oral and written reports on Action Plan implementation

Logistical information for participants of the 14th Steering Group meeting and the Regional Seminar on Political Economy of Corruption (separate document)

#### ■ Venue

ADB Headquarters, Manila, Philippines

#### ■ To Advisory Group members:

Advisory Group Meeting: 16h00 on Monday, 7 September 2009, ADB Headquarters, Manila, Philippines (Conference Room 4653 East)

## Tuesday, 8 September 2009

8:30 – 9:00 *Registration of delegates*

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**9:00 – 9:15 1 Opening session**

Introductory remarks by the Secretariat

Kathleen M. Moktan, Public Management, Governance and Participation Division, ADB

William Loo, Anti-Corruption Division, OECD

Brief roundtable introduction of delegates, Advisory Group members and observers

Adoption of the agenda

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9:15 – 9:45 *Group photo and break*

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**9:45 – 11:45 2 Draft report of the Independent Review of the Initiative**

The consultants who conducted the Review will present the draft report (StG14-3) and then chair a discussion of the draft.

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**11:45 – 12:30 3 Preparation for the 3rd Conference of States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption**

Secretariat presentation of background paper and draft formal statement (StG14-4) followed by Steering Group discussion

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12:30 – 1:30 *Lunch*

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**1:30 – 3:30 4 Substantive presentations from Steering Group members on specific issues and/or activities**

Reports by the following countries on specific issues:

- *GNH (Gross National Happiness) and Corruption - A Bhutanese Perspective*: Kezang Jamtsho, Commissioner, Anti-Corruption Commission, Bhutan
- *Assessing Government Administrative Systems - Indonesia's Experience*, Moch JASIN, Commissioner Corruption Eradication Commission (KPK)
- *Development & Implementation of Thailand's National Anti-Corruption Strategy*: Professor Pakdee Pothisiri, Commissioner, National Anti-Corruption Commission

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3:30 – 3:45 *Break*

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**3:45 – 4:45 5 Improving the oral and written reports on Action Plan implementation**

Secretariat presentation of background paper (StG14-6) followed by Steering Group discussion

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**4:45 – 5:15 6 Secretariat report and other business**

The Secretariat will inform the Steering Group of its recent activities and other matters. It will also discuss a proposal on the procedure for inviting observer countries and organisations to the Initiative's future events.

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## Notes to the Agenda

	<b>Annotations</b>	<b>Document</b>
<b>Item 1</b> <i>Opening session</i>	The welcoming and introductory remarks by the host and the Secretariat will be followed by a brief roundtable introduction of delegates, Advisory Group members and observers. The agenda of the meeting will then be proposed to delegates for adoption.	StG14-1 StG14-2
<b>Item 2</b> <i>Draft report on the Independent Review of the Initiative</i>	During its 12th meeting in Singapore, the Steering Group decided to retain two external consultants to conduct an Independent Review of the Initiative. The consultants will present their draft Report and then chair a discussion of the draft.	StG14-3
<b>Item 3</b> <i>Preparation for the 3rd Conference of States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption</i>	During its 13th meeting in Macao, China, the Steering Group agreed that it would consider delivering a one-page formal statement describing the Initiative, including the new voluntary country review mechanism, to the 3rd Conference of States Parties to the UN Convention against Corruption. The Group also asked the Secretariat to prepare a draft statement and proposals on how to deliver the statement for discussion at the 14th Steering Group meeting. During this session, the Steering Group will comment on the draft statement and decide whether and how to deliver the statement.	StG14-4
<b>Item 4</b> <i>Substantive presentations from Steering Group members on specific issues and/or activities</i>	During its 13th meeting in Macao, China, the Steering Group decided that the 14th meeting would not include a traditional roundtable reporting on Action Plan implementation because of the proximity between the 12th, 13th and 14th meetings. Instead, up to three country delegations (Bhutan, Indonesia and Thailand) will make substantive presentations (15-20 minutes) on specific issues and/or activities. The presentations will be followed by a question and discussion session.	
<b>Item 5</b> <i>Improving the format of oral and written reports on Action Plan implementation</i>	During its 13th meeting in Macao, China, the Steering Group requested the Secretariat to examine options to improve the oral and written reports on Action Plan implementation, such as reducing the length of the compilation of written reports that is circulated before each meeting; improving discussions and the level of interaction during oral reporting; and focusing on one specific reform area for an in-depth discussion at each meeting. During this session, the Secretariat will present a short paper proposing options for improving the reporting. The Steering Group will then be invited to discuss the proposals.	StG14-5
<b>Item 6</b> <i>Secretariat report and other business</i>	The Secretariat will inform the Steering Group of its recent activities as well as other items, including preparations for the 15th Steering Group meeting.	