We are pleased to invite you to a zoom meeting of the Business Integrity Group (BIG) of the OECD Anti-Corruption Network for Eastern Europe and Central Asia (ACN). The BIG is a platform for exchange of experiences and mutual learning for the public and private sector practitioners from the ACN countries engaged or interested in business integrity. Registered participants will be able to take part in the discussion by raising hand, taking the floor and sharing information in chat.

The ACN started its business integrity work with the launch of the first study “Business Integrity in Eastern Europe and Central Asia” at the first regional meeting in Kyiv in 2016. At the this second regional meeting on 12 May 2021, BIG participants will learn about the preliminary findings of the second study on Business Integrity that aims to identify improvements or challenges in the region over the past 5 years. They will learn about Business Ombudsman institutions that emerged in the region recently as a non-judiciary mechanism to help companies deal with various integrity related problems they encounter when dealing with state bodies. The participants will also learn about the next steps that will be implemented in the ACN BIG framework, including the second phase of the capacity-building project supported by the EBRD and the use of business integrity performance indicators in the Istanbul monitoring programme. BIG participants will also be able to share their own information and updates in the tour-de-table, they will need to notify the Secretariat if they wish to do so.

Welcoming remarks: Ms. Radica Nusdorfer, EC and Mrs. Lisa Rosen, Chief Compliance Officer, EBRD
Chair: Mrs. Mathilde Mesnard, Deputy Director for Financial and Enterprise Affairs, OECD

Session 1. Business Integrity in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, Trends and Good Practices 60 min

- Mr. Liudas Jurkonis, ACN consultant, preliminary findings of the second regional BI survey
- Mrs. Lana Sinichkina, Partner of Arzinger,
- Mr. Adam Lewis, Principal, Project Integrity, Office of the Chief Compliance Officer, EBRD, Compliance upgrade following integrity concerns raised by a national bank
- Mrs. Ieva Lapeikiene, Head of Clear Wave, Growing community to support business integrity and new issues
- Mrs. Ardita Seknaj, Secretary General of ICC Albania, Week of Integrity in Albania
- Mr. Tayfun Zaman, Integrity Partners Consultancy Group, Turkey, Anti-Corruption Best Practices in Customs Brokerage
- Mrs. Katya Lysova, Center for International Private Enterprise (CIPE), US, Business Integrity Guide and Initiatives for SMEs

**Session 2. Business Ombudsmen in Eastern Europe and Central Asia 40 min**

- Mrs. Tetyana Korotka, Deputy Business Ombudsman of Ukraine, preliminary result of the survey of Business Ombudsman institutions in the ACN region
- Round table discussion for business ombudsmen from ACN countries and for other participants
  - Mr Musuraliev Nurlan and Deputy BO, Kyrgyzstan
  - Mr Ponomarev Sergey Deputy BO, Kyrgyzstan
  - Mr. Eduard Shalsi, Minister of State for the Protection of Entrepreneurship, Albania
  - Mrs. Kestrina Ramallari, Advisor of the Minister, Albania
  - Ms Lamiya Khudoyarova, Head Inspector on International Affairs for the Business Ombudsman, Uzbekistan

**Session 3. Integrity in state-owned enterprises 20 min**

- Ms. Alison McMeekin, OECD Governance and Corporate Finance Division, Guidelines on anti-corruption and integrity for state owned enterprises (SOEs) and their implementation
- Mr. Matthew Hudson, Principal, Project Integrity, Office of the Chief Compliance Officer, EBRD

**Session 4. Promoting business integrity in the region – next steps 30 min**

- Mrs. Olga Savran, OECD/ACN, business integrity performance indicators
- Mr. Chiawen Kiew, Associate Director, Investigations, Office of the Chief Compliance Officer, EBRD, second phase of the joint project with the ACN
- Round table for partner organisations and participants: COE, UNDP, OSCE and other partners