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A WORLD AGAINST CORRUPTION

DEC 11

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10H00 - 12H00
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The 2023 International Anti-Corruption Day (IACD) seeks to highlight the crucial link between anti-corruption and peace, security, and development. In view thereof, our partners i.e., African Association of Public Administration and Management, Commonwealth Africa Anti-Corruption Centre, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Republic of Kosovo, and Stellenbosch University have pleasure in inviting you to an online Café Conversation to engage with country experts on the SWOT analysis of diverse governments efforts in the fight against corruption.

An important impediment to good governance around the world is the magnitude and manifestations of corruption. This multiplex phenomenon undermines democracy, government, governance, development, rule of law and accountability and fighting corruption is a global concern. The nature, scale and scope of corruption is prevalent in both developed and developing countries, and evidence shows that it robs the poor of an improved quality of life. It contributes to lack of trust and legitimacy in government and the citizenry lose confidence in its mandate to deliver much needed services, especially to poor and marginalised communities. Everyone, including governments, the private sector, non-governmental organisations, the media and citizens have a strategic role to fight this insidious scourge.

According to the UN, International Anti-Corruption Day is a global observance dedicated to raising awareness about the harmful effects of corruption on societies and economies worldwide. It serves as a call to action to combat corruption, promote transparency, and uphold ethical values in both public and private sectors. Corruption undermines development and, in turn, effective anti-corruption efforts accelerate countries' progress towards the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

*“The world will not be destroyed by those who do evil, but
by those who watch them without doing anything”*

Albert Einstein

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| 10H00 | Welcome | Deputy Minister Dobra |
| 10H05 | Opening Remarks | Ms E Ndlovu |
| 10H10 | Speaker 1 | Ms P Morapedi |
| 10H30 | Speaker 2 | Dr B Baliqi |
| 10H50 | Speaker 3 | Dr P Gitonga |
| 11H10 | Speaker 4 | Mr K Pillay |
| 11H30 | Q & A | Prof G Scott |
| 11H55 | Vote of Thanks | Mr M Rantsetse |
| 12H00 | Closure | Mr R Naidu |



Speaker 1 Ms. P Morapedi

Ms. Pusetso Morapedi is the current Platform to Protect Whistleblowers in Africa (PPLAFF) Southern Africa Director (pplaaf.org) which seeks to defend whistleblowers, strategically litigate, and advocate on their behalf where their disclosures speak to the public interest. She is the co-founding Board Secretary of the Botswana Centre for Public Integrity, working towards Botswana Vision 2036 Pillar 4 on Governance, Peace and Security and the attainment of Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) 16. She has spearheaded the establishment of the Southern African Anti-Corruption Network (saacon.org), for a Corruption Free and Prosperous SADC region. She holds a Master's in Politics and International Relations, a Post Graduate Diploma in International Studies and a Bachelor's degree in Humanities from Rhodes University and University of Botswana respectively.

Dr. Purity Gitonga a distinguished governance expert, has an impressive track record as the former Director of the National Integrity Academy (NIA) at the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission of Kenya.

Renowned for her expertise in soft skills training encompassing ethics, integrity, leadership, HR, and personal and professional development, she is passionate about guiding individuals towards personal and collective excellence. Dr. Gitonga is a recipient of the Pan African-CEO Global Award for the Most Influential Women in 2018, a testament to her impactful contributions. Holding a Doctoral degree in Business Administration with a focus on Human Resource Management, Emotional Intelligence, and Leadership, she has received training in Strategic Leadership, Ethics, and Corporate Governance from prestigious institutions worldwide, including Marquette University/Les Aspin Centre (USA), ESAMI, Loughborough University (UK), Egerton University, S.A.L.T Institute, Haggai Institute (Hawaii, USA), Negev Institute (Israel), and the Kenya School of Government.



Speaker 3 Dr P Gitonga



Speaker 2 Dr B Baliqi

Dr Bekim Baliqi studied Political Science (Mag.Phil.) at the University of Vienna and a D. Phil at the Institute of Political Science, University of Vienna (1999-2005) and (2005-2008) resp. He is an Ordinary Professor at the Department of Political Science, University of Prishtina with main research interests in; nationalism studies, memory politics and democratization in postconflict societies with focus in Southeast Europe. He has participated in a number of scientific international symposiums, research projects and has published books; State-Building through United Nations, SVH-Verlag, Saarbrücken 2009 (in German); Introduction into Policy Analysis, Iliria, Pristine 2011 (in Albanian); Public Policy and Governance, Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Pristine, 2021 (2nd edition) and 2017; Nation and State building Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Pristine, 2021. He is fluent in German, English, Serbo-Croatian and understands Turkish.

Mr Koogan Pillay is a seasoned Governance and Development Specialist. He is currently serves as an Independent Project Management Consultant. With a diverse academic background, including a Bachelor of Science degree, a Higher Diploma in Education, and a Masters in Business Administration, Mr Pillay is presently engaged in doctoral research focused on governance and sustainability. His expertise extends across strategic thinking, influencing, and networking, making him adept at thriving in multicultural environments. Pillay's core competencies include strategy development, business and market development, project management, and the convening of multi-stakeholder dialogues. Noteworthy is his extensive experience in roles at PetroSA and SASOL, showcasing achievements in Economic Value Add (EVA), branding, marketing, and performance management. Mr Pillay's intrinsic values of honesty, integrity, and a performance-oriented mindset, coupled with a commitment to best practices, TQM, and EVA, form the bedrock of his success.



Speaker 4 Mr K Pillay