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**“Raiding the Coffers, Violating Rights”**

**A Conference on Corruption and its Impact on Human Rights in the Post-Soviet World:**

**A Challenge of Domestic and International Proportions**

Bern, Switzerland, 26-27 November 2014

Venue: Holiday Inn hotel, Riedbachstrasse 96, 3027 Bern, Switzerland

**CONFERENCE AGENDA**

**Wednesday 26 November 2014**

# 9.00 – 9.15 Opening remarks

Patrick Mutzenberg, Centre for Civil and Political Rights (Switzerland)

Scott Horton, Columbia University (USA)

# 9.15 – 10.45 Session 1: Administration of Justice, Fighting Corruption and Protecting Human Rights: The Eurasian Context

*Moderator:* Andrea Meraz, Centre for Civil and Political Rights (Switzerland)

*Panellists:* Patrick Mutzenberg, Centre for Civil and Political Rights (Switzerland)

Gretta Fenner, International Centre for Asset Recovery, Basel Institute on Governance (Switzerland)

Ken Hurwitz, Open Society Justice Initiative (USA)

**10.45 – 11:00 Coffee break**

# 11.00 – 12.30 Session 2: Overcoming the Yanukovych Legacy: The Struggle for Justice and Anti-Corruption Reforms in Ukraine

*Moderator:* Gretta Fenner, International Centre for Asset Recovery, Basel Institute on Governance (Switzerland)

*Panellists:* Daria Kalenyuk, Anticorruption Action Centre (Ukraine) (by skype)

Oleksiy Khmara, Transparency International – Ukraine

Vlad Lavrov, *Kyiv Post* (Ukraine)

# 12.30 – 13.30 Lunch break

# 13.30 – 15.00 Session 3: Tackling Corruption in “Transitional” and Closed Societies: Institutional Gaps

*Moderator:* Ken Hurwitz, Open Society Justice Initiative (USA)

*Panellists:* David Lewis, University of Exeter (UK)

Farhod Inogambayev, investments analyst (USA)

Lilia Carasciuc, Transparency International – Moldova

Scott Horton, Columbia University (USA)

# 15.00 – 15.15 Coffee break

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# 15.15 – 17.00 Session 4: Corruption Intermingled with Human Rights Abuses: Administering Justice in Uzbekistan

*Moderator:* Patrick Mutzenberg, Centre for Civil and Political Rights (Switzerland)

*Panellists:* Mirakmal Niyazmatov, NGO Tashabbus (USA) (by skype)

Allison Gill, freelance researcher (USA)

Umida Niyazova, Uzbek-German Forum for Human Rights (Germany)

Nadejda Atayeva, Association for Human Rights in Central Asia (France)

Farkhodkhon Mukhtarov, Human Rights Alliance of Uzbekistan (Netherlands)

Sanjar Umarov, Sun Shine Coalition (Uzbekistan - USA) (by skype)

# Thursday 27 November 2014

# 9.00 – 11.00 Session 5: Cross-National Money Laundering Schemes Investigated: The cases of Uzbekistan, Russia and Moldova

*Moderator:*  Olivier Longchamp, Déclaration de Berne (Switzerland)

*Panellists:* Miranda Patrucic, Organized Crime and Corruption Reporting Project (Bosnia and Herzegovina) – Presentation of the results of journalist investigation

Roman Anin, *Novaya Gazeta* (Russia)

Joachim Dyfvermark, investigative reporter, SVT (Sweden)

Inga Springe, investigative journalist (Latvia)

# 11.00 – 11.15 Coffee break

# 11.15 – 12.45 Session 6: Aspiring to Justice for Eurasia: International Legal Mechanisms Explored

*Moderator:* Scott Horton, Columbia University (USA)

*Panellists:* Sophie Lemaître, Sherpa Association (France) (by video connection)

Oscar Solorzano, Basel Institute on Governance (Switzerland)

James Maton, Edwards Wildman (UK) (by skype)

# 12.45 – 14.00 Brown Bag session: Implications for International Stakeholders – European Perspective

*Moderator:* David Lewis, University of Exeter (UK)

*Panellists:* Alan Deletroz, Fundación para las Relaciones Internacionales y el Diálogo Exterior (Belgium)

Olivier Longchamp, Déclaration de Berne (Switzerland)