

**Scientific Colloquium**

**TEACHING ORGANIZED CRIME AND  
CORRUPTION COURSES IN SOUTH EAST EUROPE  
In Athens, Greece**

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### General information

The Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime (GI-TOC) and the European Public Law Organization (EPLO) are pleased to welcome you to Athens for the Scientific Colloquium: Teaching organized crime and corruption course in South East Europe, from 21<sup>st</sup> to 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2022.

Organized crime and corruption are ever growing and ever-changing phenomena. Globalization of both has led to the adoption of two mega anti-crime conventions: UNTOC and UNCAC, and the negotiations on a Cybercrime Convention.

Both organized crime and corruption have many manifestations and dimensions. The same can be said for the varying response approaches, which include, the normative, criminal justice and law enforcement, financial and economic, criminological and victimological, etc. Therefore, different legal and social science disciplines as well as research and teaching methodologies are used.

On the international level, GI-TOC launched the first Global Organized Crime Index, UNODC has launched a series of organized crime, corruption and integrity teaching modules and manuals to facilitate academic teaching and professional training. Transparency International is measuring corruption through the Corruption Perception Index (CPI) and other relevant analytical tools.

Universities and research institutions in the SEE region are teaching/training both organized crime and corruption in different formats and levels (undergraduate, legal clinics, masters and PhD).

The main objective of this Scientific Colloquium is to provide a forum for the exchange of views and experiences as well as to present the international instruments, facilitators of teaching and training.

The main expected outcome of the Scientific Colloquium is to enrich the teaching options and methods as well as to provide a platform for the focused exchange of experience, while ultimately striving to improve knowledge so as to capture the ever-changing forms, manifestations and impacts of organized crime and corruption locally, regionally and globally.



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# 'Teaching Organized Crime and Corruption Courses in South East Europe'

in co-operation with the Greek National Transparency Authority, Balkan Criminology Group (BCG) and South East European Anti-Corruption Academic Network (SEE ACAD)

**Athens, Greece**

**21 and 22 October 2022**

## AGENDA

**21 October**

Location: [EPLO Premises in Plaka: Dioskouron 1 Athina 105 55, Greece - Roman Agora Square Entrance](#)

### **Opening and Welcome**

*Representative of Greek Government (TBC)*

*Ambassador Ugljesa Ugi Zvekic, Senior Advisor, European Public Law Organization (EPLO)*

**09:30 – 10:30**

*Dr. John Collins, Director of Academic Engagement, Global Initiative against Transnational Organized Crime (GI-TOC)*

*Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University*

*Prof. Anna-Maria Getoš Kalac, Balkan Criminology Group (BCG)*

*Eduardo Vetere, In Memoriam Dimitri Vlassis*

*Chair: Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University*

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**10:30 – 10:45**

### **Designing a National Anti-Corruption Strategy (2022 – 2025) from A to Z**

*Mr. Ioannis Foustanakis, Director, Directorate of Strategic Planning & Behavioural Analyses, National Transparency Authority (NTA), Greece*

*Chair: Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University*

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**10:45 – 11:00**

### **Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative (RAI)**

**The role of education in enhancing regional cooperation against corruption**

*Ms. Desislava Gotskova, Head of Secretariat, RAI*

*Chair: Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University*

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<b>11:00 - 11:30</b>	<b>Coffee break</b>
<b>11:30 - 11:45</b>	<b>'Enhancing Internal Control and Audit in International Organisations'</b> <i>Mr. Angelos Binis, Head of Internal Audit Capability, Frontex (Online)</i>
<b>11:45 - 12:30</b>	<b>GI-TOC Global Organized Crime Index: Main Features and Key Findings for the SEE Region</b> <i>Dr. John Collins, Director of Academic Engagement, GI-TOC</i> <i>Ambassador Ugljesa Ugi Zvekic, Senior Advisor, EPLO/GI-TOC</i> <i>Chair: Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University</i>
<b>12:30 - 13:15</b>	<b>United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC):</b> <b>Presentation of teaching modules for corruption, integrity and organized crime courses</b> <i>Mr. Constantine Palicarski, Regional Anti-Corruption Advisor, UNODC</i> <i>Mr. Bill Wood, Regional Organized Crime Advisor, UNODC, (Online)</i> <i>Chair: Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University</i>
<b>13:15 - 14:15</b>	<b>Lunch break</b>
<b>14:15 - 14:45</b>	<b>International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA)</b> <b>Presentation of Anti-Corruption Masters courses</b> <i>Mr. Pawan Sinha, Director of Academic Programmes Department, IACA</i> <i>Chair: Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska, Senior Anti-Corruption Advisor, RAI</i>
<b>14:45 - 15:15</b>	<b>Transparency International</b> <b>Presentation on Corruption Perception Index (CPI) and Grand-Corruption Cases for Teaching Purposes</b> <i>Mr. Angelos Kaskanis, Executive Director, Transparency International Greece</i> <i>Chair: Ms. Aneta Arnaudovska, Senior Anti-Corruption Advisor, RAI</i>
<b>15:15 - 16:00</b>	<b>Panel on the Legalisation of Cannabis and the effect on Organized Crime in the Region</b> <i>Dr. John Collins, Director of Academic Engagement, GI-TOC</i> <i>Ms. Fatjona Mejdini, Director of SEE Observatory, GI-TOC, (Online)</i> <i>Dr. Adela Llatja, Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ), Albania</i> <i>Chair: Prof. dr Miloš Vukčević, University Mediterranean, Podgorica</i>
<b>16:00 - 16:30</b>	<b>Panteion University</b> <b>Presentation and Discussion on Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas Book: "Organized Crime"</b> <i>Prof. Dimitris Ziouvas, Panteion University</i> <i>Prof. Vasiliki Artinopoulou, Director of the EPLO Institute on Crime &amp; Criminal Justice, Member of the SPT, United Nations</i> <i>Chair: Prof. dr Miloš Vukčević, University Mediterranean, Podgorica</i>

**22 October**

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**GI-TOC Methodology in Studying Organized Crime and Corruption**

*Prof. Fabian Zhila, Senior Fellow, GI-TOC*

**09:30 – 10:15**

*Prof. Sunčana Roksandic, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb*

*Mr. Ioannis Vlassis, Analyst, GI-TOC*

Chair: *Prof. Anna-Maria Getoš Kalac, University of Zagreb*

**10:15 – 11:15**

**Examples of Organized Crime and Corruption Teaching Formats and Methods**

**Presentation of the University of Milan, PhD on Organized Crime**

*Prof. Nando Dalla Chiessa, University of Milan*

*Prof. Mariele Merlati, University of Milan*

**Presentation on selected organized crime courses**

*Prof. Dragan Simeunovic, Faculty of Political Sciences, University of Belgrade*

Chair: *Prof. Anna-Maria Getoš Kalac, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb*

**11:30 – 12:00**

**Coffee break**

**12:00 – 13:15**

**Examples of Organized Crime and Corruption Teaching Formats and Methods**

**Presentation of selected corruption courses**

*Prof. Alban Koci, Faculty of Law, University of Tirana*

*Prof. Ivana Kristic, Faculty of Law, University of Belgrade*

*Prof. Svetoslav Spassov, Director of Nuclear Security Support Center,*

*University of National and World Economy, Sofia*

**Presentation of combined organized crime, corruption, and economic crime courses**

*Ambassador Ugljesa Ugi Zvekic, Senior Advisor, EPLO/GI-TOC*

*Prof. Sunčana Roskandic, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb*

Chair: *Prof. Gordana Lažetić, Faculty of Law Iustinianus Primus, Skopje*

**13:15 – 14:30**

**Lunch**

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**14:30 – 15:15**

**Discussion on Teaching Needs in the Region**

*Moderators:*

*Prof. Dr. Maria Kapardis, Cyprus University of Technology*

*Prof.Ass.Dr. Xhevdet Halili, Director Kosovo Law Center (KLC)*

Presentation: A Gap Analysis of Research on Illicit Economies in the Western Balkans

Mr. Ioannis Vlassis, Analyst, GI-TOC

**Discussion**

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**15:15 – 16:00**

**Towards a Regional Teaching Organized Crime and Corruption Platform:**

*Moderators:*

*Ambassador Ugljesa Ugi Zvekic, Senior Advisor, EPLO/GI-TOC*

*Prof. Anna-Maria Getoš Kalac, Faculty of Law, University of Zagreb*

**Discussion and Recommendations**

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**16:00 – 16:30**

**Closure of Scientific Colloquium**

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