

# Individual Self Reflection 2020 on World Humanitarian Summit Commitments and Initiatives - International Anti-Corruption Academy



### **Stakeholder Information**

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**Organisational Type** 

Region Global

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### 5A Invest in local capacities

#### Individual Commitments

Commitment	Commitment Type	Core Responsibility
The International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) will continue to be engaged in both preventing and fighting corruption, by providing anticorruption capacity-building activities to professionals from a wide variety of backgrounds. These include, among others, academic programmes, summer academies, sector-specific and tailor-made trainings, and networking programmes which foster international cooperation and the exchange of best practices. IACA commits to awarding scholarships to three professionals from Least Developed Countries to participate in the Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS) a unique international and inter-disciplinary academic degree programme, over the next five years.	Capacity	Invest in Humanity

# 1. A. Highlight concrete actions taken between 1 January – 31 December 2019 to implement the commitments which contribute to achieving this transformation. Be as specific as possible and include any relevant data/figures as well as any good practices and examples of innovation.

#### Other

• Voluntary contributions to International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) General Budget and IACA Scholarship Fund for nationals from Least Developed Countries (LDCs)

In 2018, IACA delivered numerous open trainings, such as the 8th IACA Anti-Corruption Summer Academy, IACA Regional Summer Academy – East and Southeast Asia, 6th Procurement Anti-Corruption Training, 5th Anti-Corruption in Local Governance Training, "Best Of" seminar, as well as tailor-made trainings, and networking activities. More than 600 professionals from all over the world were trained within IACA's programmes and activities in 2018. IACA has been able to provide scholarships for LDC participants in IACA's open trainings, with 34 full scholarships and 2 full tuition fee waivers. IACA granted also scholarships for qualified professionals from LDCs who started the 2018 classes of the Master in Anti-Corruption Studies (MACS, 3 full scholarships and 2 full tuition fee waivers) and who continued in 2018 with their 2017 modules of the International Master in Anti-Corruption Compliance and Collective Action (IMACC, 5 full scholarships and 5 full tuition fee waivers).

## 2. A. Please select no more than 3 key challenges faced in implementing the commitments related to this transformation. Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

- ☑ Funding amounts
- I Funding modalities (earmarking, priorities, yearly agreements, risk aversion measures)
- I Other: Insufficient understanding of the importance of anti-corruption training for professionals

#### B. How are these challenges impacting achievement of this transformation?

Despite the adverse impact of limited resources on the development of new trainings, technical assistance, events with partners, and the numbers of LDC scholarships, IACA managed to provide a unique platform for discussion and ideas-sharing among peers. This contributed to strengthening expertise while fostering international cooperation.

#### 3. What steps or actions are needed to make collective progress to achieve this transformation?

Investing in anti-corruption capacity-building for professionals is a smart way towards sustainable development, safeguarding human rights and strengthening the rule of law. Development aid institutions and donor countries should consider securing funds for empowering anti-corruption practitioners by equipping them with knowledge and specialized trainings to prevent and fight corruption, especially in aid-receiving countries. Anti-corruption experts from LDCs should be able to attend such trainings. This could be achieved by, inter alia, offering them scholarships.



Education, Quality and accountability standards, Strengthening local systems



### **5E** Diversify the resource base and increase cost-efficiency

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The International Anti-Corruption Academy stands ready, at the request of States and/or other international organizations, to help States and other donors ensure that their disaster funds are used for the intended purpose.	Financial	Invest in Humanity

# 1. A. Highlight concrete actions taken between 1 January – 31 December 2019 to implement the commitments which contribute to achieving this transformation. Be as specific as possible and include any relevant data/figures as well as any good practices and examples of innovation.

International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) has promoted this commitment [ to help States and other donors ensure that their disaster funds are used for the intended purpose] and the benefits of its implementation in various meetings with its Parties, including the annual IACA Assembly of Parties, as well as with other relevant stakeholders and representatives of donor countries in the framework of international fora and regional and bilateral meetings. During the period under review, no request for IACA involvement was received.

## 2. A. Please select no more than 3 key challenges faced in implementing the commitments related to this transformation. Only the categories selected by the organisation will be seen below.

I Other: Insufficient understanding of the importance of anti-corruption training for professionals working with disaster funds

#### B. How are these challenges impacting achievement of this transformation?

IACA is prepared to implement trainings on integrity, compliance and anti-corruption in international aid designed for practitioners / professionals working in the field of international humanitarian aid, from decision-makers to humanitarian officers.