

# Fraud and Corruption in Public Procurement

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## Day 1

- Definition and Legal Framework on Fraud, Corruption and Collusion in Public Procurement
- Collusive Tendering & Bid-Rigging: Patterns, Control and Regulatory Experiences from EU Member States
- Methods of Detection and Prevention of Fraud and Corruption in Public Procurement
- Case Analyses: Illicit Conduct, Conflict of Interest or Restriction of Competition?
- Best Anti-Corruption Practices from the EU – Organizations and Methods

## Day 2

- Workshop: How to Protect your Institution from Fraud and Corruption?
- Case Study: How to Most Effectively Identify and Reduce Fraud and Corruption?
- Case Study: Crisis Management – Dealing with Bidder Collusion in Public Procurement Authorities

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## Programme Day 1

- 08:30 Registration and Welcome Coffee for On-Site Participants
- 09:00 Welcome and Introduction Round
- 09:15 **Definition and Legal Framework on Fraud, Corruption and Collusion in Public Procurement**  
*Prof. Christopher Bovis*
- 10:15 **Collusive Tendering & Bid-Rigging: Patterns, Control and Regulatory Experiences from EU Member States**
  - Concepts and behavioral patterns of collusive tendering and bid-rigging
  - Conduct of behavior of undertakings
  - Regulatory experience from EU Member States
  - Frameworks for control*Despina Pachnou*
- 11:15 Coffee Break
- 11:45 **Methods of Detection and Prevention of Fraud and Corruption in Public Procurement**
  - Detection and Prevention methods: Monitoring, whistle-blowing, forensic accountancy
  - Autoregulation: Use of transparency matrixes and corruption indices
  - The Fraud Self-Assessment Tool
  - Challenges with tackling procurement fraud*Prof. Christopher Bovis*
- 13:15 Lunch Break
- 14:15 **Case Analyses: Illicit Conduct, Conflict of Interest or Restriction of Competition?**  
*Prof. Tünde Tátrai, (online)*
- 15:15 **Presentation of Group Work and Discussion**
- 15:45 Coffee Break
- 16:15 **Best Anti-Corruption Practices from the EU – Organizations and Methods**  
*Prof. Tünde Tátrai (online)*
- 17:15 End of Day 1

## Day 2

- 09:00 **Workshop: How to Protect your Institution from Fraud and Corruption?**
  - Key areas for attention when devising a compliance strategy and plan
  - Common mistakes
  - Exercise: How to be well-prepared for audit?
  - Expenditure and progress reporting – Practical examples from the road & rail sector*Declan Wylde*
- 10:15 Coffee Break
- 10:45 **Case Study: How to Most Effectively Identify and Reduce Fraud and Corruption?**  
*Prof. Christopher Bovis*
- 12:15 **Case Study: Crisis Management – Dealing with Bidder Collusion in Public Procurement Authorities**
  - How to report it: official reports and whistle-blowers
  - The Role of National Competition Authorities
  - Recovery, litigation & debarment of suppliers*Despina Pachnou*
- 13:15 Final Discussion and Distribution of Certificates
- 13:30 End of Hybrid Workshop

## Registration

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