

Single Framework Service Contract for the Provision of and Support to Training (2023CE160AT004)

# **Integrity Pacts in Cohesion Policy 2021-2027**

Venue Face-to-face Avenue Tervueren 41- DG REGIO, Brussels (Metro Merode)

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Dates 10-11 September 2024

## Programme

## **TUESDAY 10 September 2024**

#### 08.45 Registration of participants

09.00 **Opening of the Seminar: Introduction to the programme, method and objectives** *Stefan Appel,* Head of Unit DG REGIO, EC and *Marco Lopriore*, Expert, EIPA

#### 09.10 Step 1 – Integrity Pacts (IPs) initiation, Transparency International

Antonio Greco, Public contracting specialist, Transparency International Secretariat Irina Lonean, Project coordinator, researcher, trainer and consultant on anticorruption and public integrity; Transparency International Romania

- Role of IPs in safeguarding EU Funds
- Procurement project identification and selection
- Budgeting and financing
- Identification and selection of the civil society monitor
- IP project inception
- 10.30 Coffee break
- 10.50 **IP pilot application in Bulgaria: recap, actions in places and perspectives** *Kristina Vasileva,* Expert Bulgarian Procurement Agency Bulgaria
- 11.45 **Workgroup on Integrity Pact initiation** Antonio Greco, Irina Lonean, Marco Lopriore and Lucrezia Tombelli
- 12.45 Lunch break

## 14.05 **Step 2 – Integrity Pact design and preparation, Transparency** International

Antonio Greco & Irina Lonean, Project coordinator, researcher, trainer and consultant in the field of anticorruption and public integrity; Transparency International Romania

- Type of Integrity Pact documents and core elements
- Good governance and public integrity pledge
- Supplier transparency and integrity pledge
- Civil society monitoring mechanisms
- Dispute resolution mechanisms, sanctions, and incentives
- 15.30 Coffee break

#### 15.50 Workgroup on designing Integrity Pacts

Antonio Greco, Irina Lonean, Marco Lopriore and Lucrezia Tombelli

17.30 End of the day

09.20 Recap Day 1 by EIPA Marco Lopriore

#### 09.30 **Step 3 – Key aspects in Integrity Pact execution** Antonio Greco and Irina Lonean

- Risk management
- Strategic communications
- Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning
- 10.45 Coffee Break
- 11.00 **Workgroup on Integrity Pact implementation** Antonio Greco, Irina Lonean, Marco Lopriore and Lucrezia Tombelli
- 12.30 Lunch break
- 13.45 **Operational arrangements from an IP project (Romania)** *Cosmin Nedela,* Head of irregularities Unit West Regional Development Agency, Romania
- 14.40 Step 4 Integrity Pact scaling up

## Antonio Greco and Irina Lonean

- Formal recognition of IPs in legislative, regulatory, and policy framework
- IP incorporation in large-scale collective action initiatives
- Boards or committees for strategic IP application
- Mechanisms of accreditation of civil society monitors
- IP data management systems

## 15.30 Group work on scaling up Integrity Pacts

Antonio Greco, Irina Lonean, Marco Lopriore

- 16.40 **Presentations of the workshop outcomes by participants and plenary discussion** *Antonio Greco, Irina Lonean, Marco Lopriore and Lucrezia Tombelli*
- 17.30 End of the training