

# Concept note: Informal technical briefing for Permanent Missions in Vienna

On the final report of the High-level Panel on International Financial Accountability, Transparency and Integrity for Achieving the 2030 Agenda

Date: 2 March 2021, 15:00 (CET)

Location: Virtual via Webex // Registration is required \*

## **Background**

In early March 2020, the High-Level Panel on International Financial Accountability, Transparency and Integrity for Achieving the 2030 Agenda (FACTI Panel) was convened by the President of the General Assembly and the President of the Economic and Social Council to address these challenges by developing concrete recommendations. The FACTI Panel published its <a href="interim report">interim report</a> in September 2020 reflecting the Panel's review and analysis of the gaps, impediments and vulnerabilities in national and international systems related to financial integrity. Since then, the FACTI Panel has been working to develop a blueprint to free the global economy from illegal and unethical financial practices and ultimately ensure sustainable development for all, everywhere.

On 25 February 2021, the FACTI Panel will release its report which will provide 14 recommendations for promoting financial integrity for sustainable development. These recommendations, which the FACTI Panel believes are technically feasible and politically viable, will revitalize the global architecture to combat illicit financial flows with a view to cementing 'financial integrity for sustainable development'. A launch event will include interventions from heads of state and government as well as a multi-stakeholder moderated discussion segment among ministers, executives and heads of civil society organisations.

#### **Objectives**

This informal technical briefing, organized jointly by the UN Office on Drugs and Crime and the FACTI Panel Secretariat, will give representatives of Permanent Missions in Vienna the opportunity to engage with the FACTI panel and each other in a dialogue on the recommendations contained in the report.

## **Programme**

Welcoming remarks (5 min)

- Mr. Navid Hanif, Director, Financing for Sustainable Development Office, UN DESA
- Mr. John Brandolino, Director, Treaty Division, UNODC

Presentation of main recommendations (15 min), moderated by Ms. Brigitte Strobel-Shaw, Chief of the Corruption and Economic Crime Branch, UNODC

- Mr. Thomas Stelzer, Dean, International Anti-Corruption Academy and FACTI Panel Member
- Mr. Gamal Ibrahim, Chief, FACTI Panel Secretariat

*Question & answer and open discussion (up to 55-60 min)* 

Closing remarks (5 min)

- Mr. Thomas Stelzer
- Mr. John Brandolino

## Registration

All Permanent Missions in Vienna are invited. To ensure connection details to the meeting are directed efficiently, delegates are invited to register through this form:

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#### Additional information

The final report of the FACTI Panel will be available <u>online</u> from 25 February 2021. For further information, please contact Ms. Maud Perdriel (<u>maud.perdirel@factipanel.org</u>) at the FACTI Panel Secretariat.