

# Integrity Pacts for Safeguarding EU Funds in Latvia and Europe: Lessons Learned and Challenges for the Future

Friday, 28 February 2020 | 9.30-16.00

Hotel Pullman Riga Old Town, Jēkaba iela 24, Rīga, Latvia

The conference aims to bring together Latvian and foreign experts from government and civil society to:

- Discuss and assess the emerging impacts, main challenges and lessons learned from the Integrity Pact piloting in Latvia and in other 11 participating countries;
- Generate concrete ideas for citizen and CSO engagement in the implementation of the EU Cohesion Policy in Latvia after 2020 – including use of the Integrity Pact and applicability of practices employed in other countries (i.e. participatory budgeting, public debates and data-driven monitoring).

The working language of the conference is English. Simultaneous interpretation from/into Latvian language is available to conference guests.

9.30-10.00	Registration and coffee	
10.00-12.00	Session 1 – Integrity Pacts in Latvia and Europe: impacts, lessons learned and challenges for the future	
10.10-11.10	Speakers' presentations	<p><b>Session Moderator</b>– Haralds Burkovskis</p> <p><b>Speakers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Liene Gātere, Executive Director, Transparency International Latvia</li> <li>• Solita Dombrovskā, Director for Infrastructure Development, Central Financial and Contracting Agency</li> </ul>
11.10-12.00	Panel Discussion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ivan Zupan, Programme Coordinator, Transparency International Secretariat</li> <li>• Vasja Čepič, Project Manager, Transparency International Slovenia</li> </ul>
12.00-13.00	Lunch break	
13.00-14.50	Session 2 – Engaging citizens for good governance in Cohesion Policy in Latvia: mission possible?	
13.00-13.50	Expert Presentations	<p><b>Speakers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Inguna Kramina, Policy Officer, European Commission – DG Regional and Urban Policy</li> <li>• Māra Šimane, Consultant, Cross-Sectional Coordination Centre of the Republic of Latvia</li> <li>• Inese Kuske, Consultant, State Chancellery - Department of Public Administration Policy</li> <li>• Līga Stafecka, Leading Researcher, Think Tank PROVIDUS</li> <li>• Soren Kirk Jensen, Senior Policy and Research Advisor, Infrastructure Transparency Initiative (CoST)</li> </ul>
13.50-14.50	Panel Discussion	<p><b>Session Moderator</b>– Haralds Burkovskis</p> <p><b>Panellists</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Atis Egliņš-Eglītis, Head of Administration, Cēsis Municipality</li> <li>• Līga Stafecka, Leading Researcher, Think Tank PROVIDUS</li> <li>• Inguna Kramina, Policy Officer, European Commission – DG Regional and Urban Policy</li> <li>• Inta Vingre, Director of Control Department, Procurement Monitoring Bureau</li> <li>• Māra Šimane, Consultant, Cross-Sectional Coordination Centre of the Republic of Latvia</li> <li>• Inese Kuske, Consultant, State Chancellery - Department of Public Administration Policy</li> </ul>
14.50-15.00	Closing remarks	
15.00-16.00	Snacks, drinks and networking	