



## Delna Attends Signing of the Code of Conduct of Prosecutors

On December 9, 2021, the International Anti-Corruption Day, the new Code of Conduct of Prosecutors of Latvia (PEC) was signed at the premises of the Prosecutor General. More than 200 prosecutors attended the event online. The PEC was signed by Latvia's Prosecutor General Juris Stukāns.

Development of the PEC was a collaborative effort between Latvia's Prosecution Office and Transparency International Latvia (Delna). Experts from Germany, the Netherlands, the USA, and Estonia were invited by Delna to assist on the project. Representatives of Delna were organization's director Inese Tauriņa and legal expert Krista Asmusa.

The PEC clearly defines prosecutorial ethical and professionalism standards and was developed taking into consideration current international practices, international expert recommendations and advice.

More on this can be found on the [Delna homepage](#)-> (in Latvian)



## Delna Invites the Public to Support Whistleblowers

Getting people actively involved in uncovering crime is one of the main ways

to reduce corruption in Latvia and to strengthen trust to public institutions. As the Latvian Parliament (Saeima) continues working on new whistleblowing legislation, Latvia has the opportunity to strengthen whistleblowing and associated instruments to support and protect those who report wrongdoing.

Delna is inviting the public to support whistleblowers by donating 25 euros, which will cover the cost of a one-hour consultation with legal counsel. These donations will help everyone who observes a potential crime to know that they can come forward with information and receive support in whistleblowing process.

Information about how to support whistleblowers can be found [here->](#) (in Latvian)

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## **Delna Develops Recommendations for Selecting Candidates for Top Level Positions**

Delna has observed the work of the commissions that select candidates for top level official positions over many years. Delna was included in the commissions as an independent observer without voting rights.

Taking into account Delna's experience in the candidate selection commissions, in Autumn 2021 Delna developed recommendations on improving the candidate selection process for top level official positions. Our recommendations can be accessed on [our homepage->](#) (in Latvian)

In addition, to ensure that the participation of Delna and other NGOs is worthwhile, we have prepared guidelines that identify problem areas in the candidate's selection. The guidelines can be found [here->](#) (in Latvian)

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## **Summary: Business Environment in Latvia on Its Way to Greater Integrity and Transparency**

In September 2021 Delna invited representatives from Latvia's business

community to participate in a closed round table discussion on a need to publicize organization's anti-corruption data. Participants pointed out that the demand for corporate transparency is growing not only in Western countries, but also in Latvia.

During the event participants were asked to discuss current corporate transparency practices in Latvia and present their recommendations for transparency guidelines, which Delna prepared this past autumn.

A summary of the discussion can be accessed on the [Delna homepage](#)-> (in English)

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## Podcast: Encouraging Civic Activism Among Young People

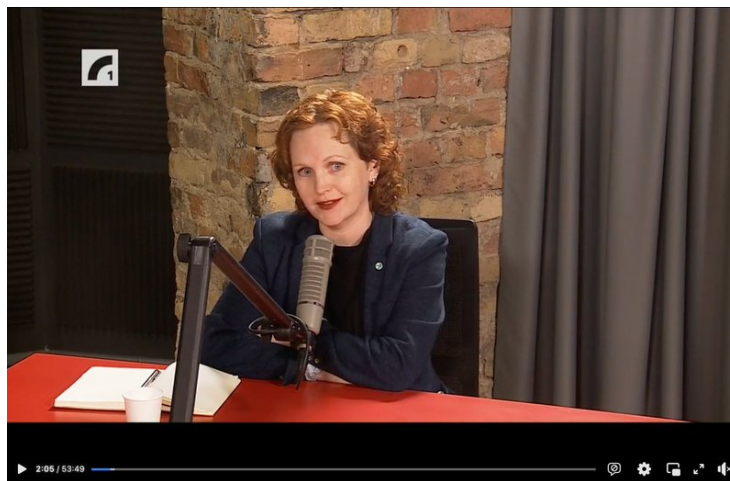
In Autumn 2021 Delna undertook the project “Skolēnu līdzdalības tīkls” (School Integrity Network) with the goal of involving students in decision making in their schools and municipalities. Why is it essential to promote civic activism among youth? What does civic activism mean and what possibilities are there for students to engage in civic activities?

We asked these questions to the public policy think tank “PROVIDUS” researcher Sintija Tarasova-Dubkēviča. We invite you to listen to the podcast [here](#)-> (in Latvian)

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DELNA'S COMMENTARIES IN THE MEDIA



**Delna Director on the Latvia Radio (LR) Program “Krustpunktā” — Latvia’s Standing in the TI Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI)**

Latvia's results in the CPI are not comforting. Over the past seven years Latvia's results have not fundamentally improved.

On December 13 2021 Delna director Inese Tauriņa was a guest on the LR program "Krustpunktā", where she discussed current anti-corruption issues in Latvia and Delna's priorities, including promoting whistleblowing, strengthening the law-enforcement institutions, involving the private sector in the fight against corruption, etc.

The "Krustpunktā" broadcast can be accessed [here->](#) (in Latvian)



## TV Program "Aizliegtais paņēmieni": How Much Are We Paying to Heads of Municipalities?

Delna director Inese Tauriņa was a guest on the Latvia television program "Aizliegtais paņēmieni" and participated in discussions on how much we pay to the heads of municipalities and how they determine their salaries and how and why salaries differ among municipalities with similar populations and a territorial size.

In 2022 the new rules for calculating salaries for municipal heads, their subordinates, and elected officials go into effect. Delna urges local inhabitants not to be apathetic about municipal salaries.

The broadcast can be viewed [here->](#) (in Latvian)

### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

## The Financial Intelligence Unit of Latvia (FIU) Prepares Recommendations for Uncovering

## Corruption Crimes

FIU has stated that corruption in state and municipal sectors is one of the most nefarious criminal offences that poses high threats of money laundering.

FIU has developed a valuable document for financial and law enforcement institutions on how to uncover and investigate corruption. The recommendations therein were developed in cooperation with KNAB (Corruption Prevention and Combatting Bureau) and are based on studies compiled by foreign countries, as well as cases of corruption uncovered in Latvia.

Please follow the link for [more information](#)-> (in Latvian).

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## Delna wishes everyone a Happy New Year and invites you to keep our heroes in your thoughts!



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"Sabiedrība par atklātību - Delna" svētkos aicina atcerēties par varoņiem un aicina atbalstīt trauciskās cēlējus! Ar savu atbalstu katrs no mums var kļūt par laida trauciskās cēlāja stāsta sārgenģeli un dot cerību, ka ikvienu neļūdzību var novērst! Atbalstot viens otru un novērtējot otra varonardarbu, varēsim dzīvot tiesiskākā un godīgākā pasaulē!

Lai gaišām domām bagāts šis svētku laiks!

Delnas komanda  
Inese, Agnija, Oļafs, Salvīns, Liene un Krista  
2021. gada nogalē



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AGAINST CORRUPTION

If you wish to take part in the effort to reduce corruption in Latvia, we invite you to join Delna. As a Delna member you will become part of our [80 person community in Latvia](#) and be part of [Transparency International's global anti-corruption network](#) with chapters in more than 100 countries.



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