



The Opening of the Art Exhibition “Respect, Courage, Honesty, and Responsibility in the Eyes of Young People”

What is respect, courage, honesty, and responsibility in the eyes of young people? How do they value and view these principles in relation to other people and the state? Delna invited everyone to visit the art exhibition “Respect, Courage, Honesty, and Responsibility in the Eyes of Young People” in the Small Hall of the Small Guild (Mazā Ģilde) located at Amatu iela 5 in Rīga. The exhibition will run from July 7-29, 2022.

The exhibition is the culmination of the drawing contest “I See”. In February of this year young people between the ages of 12 and 19 were invited to submit a drawing on one of the following themes: “Es un godīgums” (Me and Honesty), “Es un atbildība” (Me and Responsibility), “Es un drosme” (Me and Courage), and “Es un cieņa” (Me and Respect). They were asked to express in drawings how their chosen value is expressed in their actions and attitude towards others and people around them.

More about the exhibition on the [Delna homepage](#) ->



Delna Participated in the Conversation Festival LAMPA 2022

Delna invited everyone to visit the Conversation Festival LAMPA in the city Cēsis.

Delna participated in the festival with a conversation "What Did Latvian Parliament (Saeima) Do?" on the "Apgaismo" (Illuminate) stage on July 2 at 19:30. With the participation of MPs, experts and active citizens we discussed decisions (administrative-territorial reform, deposit system, COVID-19 crises management, whistleblowers law and political party financing) adopted by the current Saeima and how they affect Latvia and our everyday life.

More about our discussions can be learned on the [Delna homepage](#)-> (in Latvian)



A Public Discussion on Greater Transparency in Local Municipalities

How can people become involved in their municipalities and know what is going on if there is a lack of information? On June 10 Delna organized a public discussion and expert forum to discuss public access to information about public acquisitions in local municipalities and how to promote local government efforts to increase transparency.

It was the view of experts that a determining factor in guaranteeing transparency was the size of the municipality. Last year Delna undertook a study that concluded that better results in transparency were achieved by larger municipalities, please visit the <https://transparencyindex.lv/>

The expert forum was followed by a public discussion where participants shared their views on the need for municipal homepages to present more information. Many pointed out that more is not always better, that special attention should be paid to information content and the way it's displayed to the public.

Recording of the event can watch [here](#)-> (in Latvian)



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2022. GADA 14. JŪNIJS | 10:00–11:00

2022. GADA 21. JŪNIJS | 10:00–11:00

2022. GADA 28. JŪNIJS | 10:00–11:00

NGO Webinars — A Common Fight Against Corruption

How can civically active people, civic society, and NGOs in Latvia participate in the effort to reduce corruption?

In June Delna organized a series of webinars where discussed what is corruption and how to reduce it. We discussed such topics as Latvia's Corruption Perception Index, whistleblowing, and introduced our website www.deputatiuzdelnas.lv as a tool to follow the political integrity of MPs.

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DELNA COMMENTARIES IN THE MEDIA

The Political Situation in Latvia Ahead of the Parliamentary Elections

This autumn Latvia's citizens will elect the country's 14th Saeima, which will set the political tone for the next four years. Despite the complicated political circumstances after the election of the 13th Saeima, the government has managed to stay in power the full four-year term.

On June 8 Delna director Inese Tauriņa participated in the Latvia Radio 1 program "Krustpunktā" discussing what the political parties have accomplished during the 13th Saeima and what are their perspectives in the upcoming October elections.

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

Delna Researcher: Several MPs Demonstrate a Lack of Shame

The upcoming October parliamentary elections are becoming an

increasingly popular topic. Delna researcher Olafs Grigus visited the Latvia Radio 1 broadcast “Krustpunktā” and discussed the work of the 13th Saeima and its decisions.

Grigus drew attention to a number of Saeima decisions, among them votes that pointed to a lack of shame among MS's and inability to defend their decisions. One such example was the parliament's vote not to approve Ilze Znotiņa as the director of Financial Intelligence Unit.

You can listen to the broadcast [here->](#) (in Latvian).

The Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) is Doing More Than the Law Asks

As her four-year term as director of the FIU came to an end, Ilze Znotiņa was selected from a group of candidates as the best qualified to lead the organization.

Delna director Inese Tauriņa commented on Ms. Znotiņa's tenure as FIU director, noting that the FIU has been very active and has taken on the leader mantle in the fight against dirty money. On occasion the FIU has done more than the letter of the law asks.

To read more, please visit the portal [lsm.lv->](#) (in Latvian)

Corruption Scandals Without Punishment for the Guilty Make People Wary to Give Information

According to a survey by the Corruption Prevention and Combatting Bureau, 73% of people in Latvia and 62% of businesses have not or are not prepared to give a bribe. Compared to last year's survey, society's attitude toward corruption is improving.

Considering ways on reducing corruption, Delna researcher Olafs Grigus commented on various aspects that need to be improved, such as increasing the effectiveness of responsible agencies and promoting a culture of whistleblowing in Latvia.

For more on this, please visit [LVportāls->](#) (in Latvian)

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Jēkabs Straume Once Again Confirmed as KNAB Director

On June 9 Latvia's parliament once again approved Jēkabs Straume as director of the Corruption Prevention and Combatting Bureau (KNAB).

It is Delna's view that over the next five years it is imperative that essential actions be taken by KNAB, among them strengthening the agency's authority and reputation. These will result in greater popular support and allow KNAB to undertake a leadership role working with other institutions.

For more on this, please visit the [Delna Facebook page->](#) (In Latvian)

We're a Step Closer to Lobbying Regulations

By a unanimous vote Saeima on June 9 passed the second reading of the draft of the bill on lobbying.

This vote took us a step closer to regulations that will define how representatives of special interests and decision makers can communicate one another. These regulations will promote transparency in decision making as well as help understand decisions made by government institutions.

To learn how the bill has progressed in parliament, [click here->](#)



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.

WE ASK FOR YOUR SUPPORT IN THE DELNA'S FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION

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