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INTEGRITETA. ODGOVORNOST. VLADAVINA

A few facts about Slovenija



- Abt. 2 mio inhabitants
- Area 20.273 square km
- 46.6 km coastline of the Adriatic sea
- The Highest mountain is Triglav with 2.864 meters
- The capital Ljubljana
- GDP per capita (\$27,400)
- 450 c.offences per 10.000 people
- Circa 50 police investigated corruption offences per year

Commission for the Prevention of Corruption independent and autonomous state authority

"Our mandate is

- preventing corruption, strengthening the rule of law,
- integrity and
- transparency of public sector.

Our moto is:

- integrity, accountability,
- rule of law."



Organizational Stucture and Staff of Commission



INTEGRITY | ACCOUNTABILITY | RULE OF LAW



| Field of work and jurisdiction | Prevention of corruption | Enhancing integrity of public sector |
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| Integrity and prevention of corruption Act | Supervision and investigation of alleged corruptive practices and whistleblower protection | Analysis and research of the corruption phenomenon |
| Rules of ProcedureAct about internal arrangements | Supervision of assets of officials, incompatibility of office, conflict of interest, receiving of gifts | Monitoring of lobbying activities |
| and systemization of working posts in Commission | Cooperating in international projects | Misdemeanor procedures |



Investigation and Oversight Bureau

Consideration of concrete cases of alleged corruptive practices and other suspected irregularities under the Commission's jurisdiction:



- Closure of the case
- Assignation of a case/ refere to the competent authority/body
- Principle opinion, opinion, recommendation, explanation or other similar position of the final document.

INTEGRITIY AND PREVENTION OF CORRUPTION ACT

MECHANISMS FOR PROTECTION

- The identity of the reporting person who has made a report in good faith and has reasonably believed that the information he has provided with regard to the report is true, which shall be assessed by the Commission, shall not be established or disclosed
- Only the court may rule that any information on and the identity of the persons shall be disclosed if this is strictly necessary in order to safeguard the public interest or the rights of others
- If the reporting persons have been subject to retaliatory measures/reprisals as a consequence of filing the report and this has had an adverse impact on them, they have the right to claim compensation from their employer for the unlawfully caused damage

MECHANISMS FOR PROTECTION

- The Commission may offer reporting persons assistance in establishing a causal link between the adverse consequences and retaliatory measures/reprisals
- If during the course of the procedure referred to in the preceding paragraph the Commission establishes a causal link between the report and the retaliatory measures taken against the reporting person, it shall demand that the employer ensure that such conduct is discontinued immidiately
- If the reporting persons are public servants, and if they continue to be the focus of reprisals, despite the Commission's demand, making it impossible for them to continue work in their current work post, they may request that their employer transfer them to another equivalent post and inform the Commission

MECHANISMS FOR PROTECTION

- If a reporting person cites facts in a dispute that give grounds for the assumption that he has been subject to reprisal/retaliation by the employer due to having filed a report, the burden of proof shall rest with the employer.
- The public servant's employer shall ensure that the demand to transfer him to another equivalent post is met within 90 days at the latest and shall inform the Commisson
- If in connection with the report of corruption, the conditions for the protection of the reporting person or his family members are fulfilled under the law on witness protection, the Commission may submit a proposal to the Commission on the Protection of witnesses Risk to include them in the protection programme or may propose that the State Prosecutor General take urgent safeguarding



Cooperation with other state authorities

Assigning a case to the competent authority/body

(Police, Prosecutor's Office, Labour Inspectorate, etc.) Duty of other authorities and organizations to cooperate with commission

(public authorities, local authorities, public power holders and other legal persons)

Cooperation of different authorities in pre-trial procedure

(Regulation about cooperation between public prosecutor's office, police and other competent state authorities and institutions in detection and prosecution criminal offenders ...)

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Principles for whistleblower protection

- The right to report (as well anonimously) provided by the statute/law
- Existence of competent state body for dealing with the reports and it has sufficient means
- Free of charge consultancy
- The right to adress public
- Confidentiality
- Internal/extarnal disclosure channels
- Cooperation with other state authorities and non govermental organizations
- The right and remedies to compensate for reprisals
- Assistance from an independent agency (CPC)
- Penal provisons





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