



**SPECIAL EVENT**

**COSP SESSION 8, UNCAC**

# **GRAND CORRUPTION AS A MAJOR OBSTACLE TO THE SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS**

**Monday, 16 December 2019**

**9:00-10:00  
Room CR5**

Grand corruption presents a serious threat to the fulfilment of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development. As a direct result of it, education, health and other development priorities remain underfunded, the natural environment is destroyed and fundamental human rights are violated. There is a range of ways to address grand corruption, from improved national legislation to a protocol to UNCAC to new international institutional arrangements, stronger and independent institutions and involvement of civil society and the private sector.

The panel will present case examples showing how grand corruption frustrates the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals. It will also discuss Transparency International's new draft legal definition of 'grand corruption' and highlight the outcomes of the two global Expert Group Meetings held in Lima, Peru and Oslo, Norway on corruption involving vast quantities of assets.

**SPEAKERS:**

- **Kjersti Ertresvaag Andersen**, Norwegian Ambassador to Austria and Permanent Representative to the UN in Vienna
- **Nelson Shack Yalta**, Contralor General de la República del Perú
- **John Brandolino**, Director, Division of Treaty Affairs, UNODC
- **Anga Timilsina**, Global Programme Adviser on Anti-corruption, UNDP

**MODERATOR:**

- **Delia Ferreira Rubio**, Chair, Transparency International

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