



Annual Activity Survey 2022

Key Findings from the Asia-Pacific Region

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Respondents

- Member

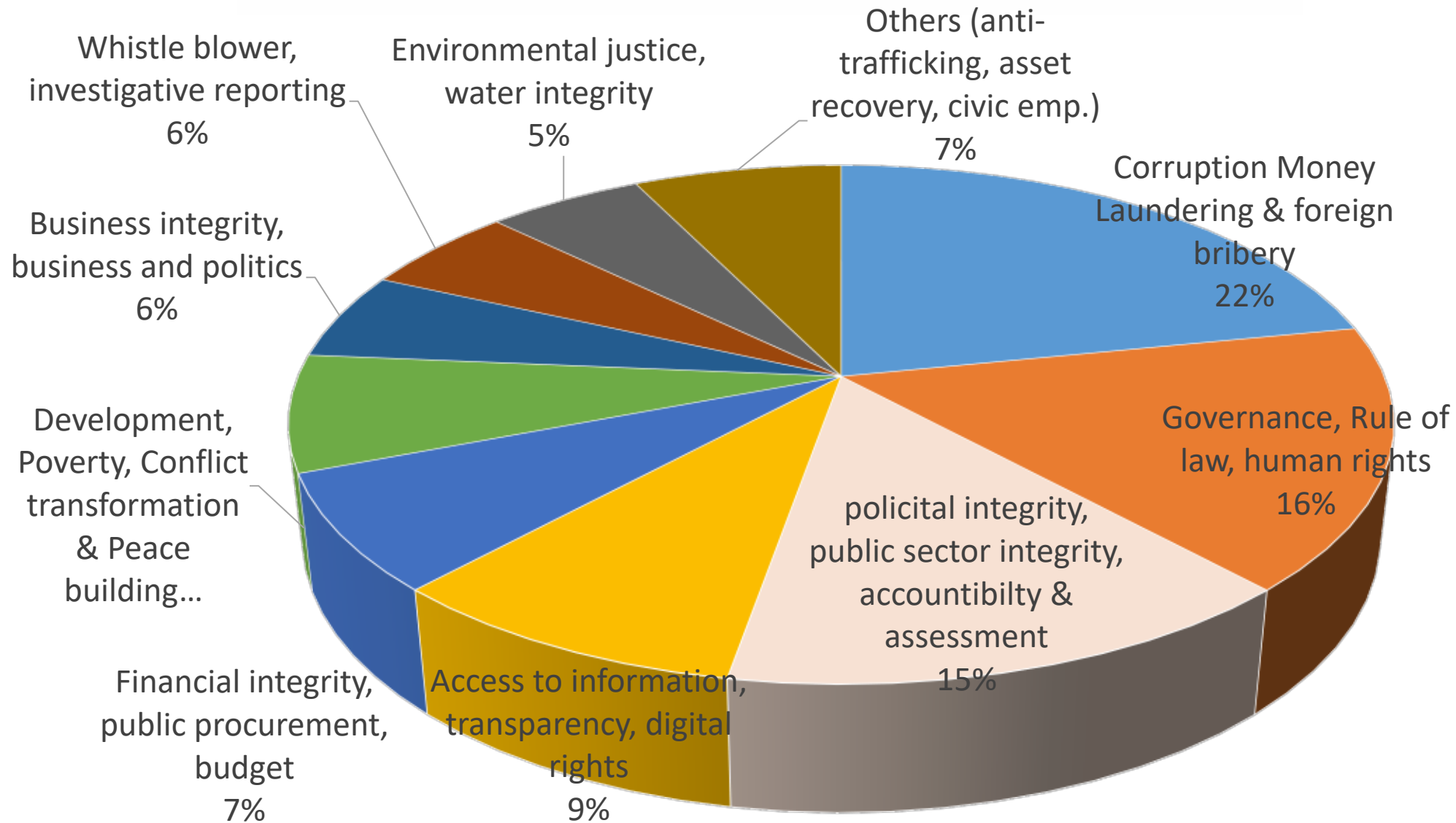
Organizations: 14
answers

- Individual Members:
1 answer
- Affiliated Groups: 6
answers

Presentation covers

- Main policy areas of members and affiliated groups
- Challenges and limitations being faced by Members and affiliated groups
- Anti-corruption priorities of CSOs for 2022
- What should UNCAC Coalition prioritize
- Organization's work: Anti-corruption, transparency & accountability
- Relevance of UNCAC Coalition's initiatives
- Suggestions for UNCAC Coalition for further improvement

Main policy areas of Members (N. 55)



Participation of members in other network(s)

- Transparency International
- CIVICUS
- OGP
- EITI and
- TAP
- OECD Watch
- Bribery Prevention Network
- Publish What You Pay
- Whistleblowers Information Network (WIN)
- Friends of the Earth International
- NGO Forum for Urban Water and Sanitation
- GAATW
- Accountability Network
- Our Democracy Network

- CARAM Asia
- Hotline Asia
- Fair Finance Asia
- Asia Pacific Forum for Judicial Education on Gender Equality Issues
- NGO Watch on Asian Development Bank
- Australian Corporate
- SDG Platform Bangladesh
- RTI Forum Bangladesh
- Human Rights Forum Bangladesh
- Leave No One Platform Bangladesh
- National Election Observation Committee (NEOC), Nepal

Role to advance transparency, accountability and the fight against corruption

Members

- Active engagement in anti-corruption legal framework (anti-corruption, anti-money laundering and foreign bribery legislation)
- Catalyze change of institutions, laws, policies and practices (through research, advocacy and communication)
- civic and voter education
- Public Sector Engagement and Coalition Building
- work on the return of illicitly gained assets
- Campaign on transparency and accountability political finance
- Track record of the candidates of the national election
- Establish web platform provided to public to identify the potential fraud of procurement through out different regions of the country
- Anti-corruption education and training
- Monitoring pub institution
- Raising awareness against corruption
- project to operate the Anti-Fraud Hotline to report fraud, wastage and abuse

Affiliated groups

- Conduct research
- Campaign and policy dialogues
- Provide platform to promote information disclosure and data sharing
- E-Learning about Integrity, Honesty and anticorruption

Involvement and contribution of the members in the UNCAC review process

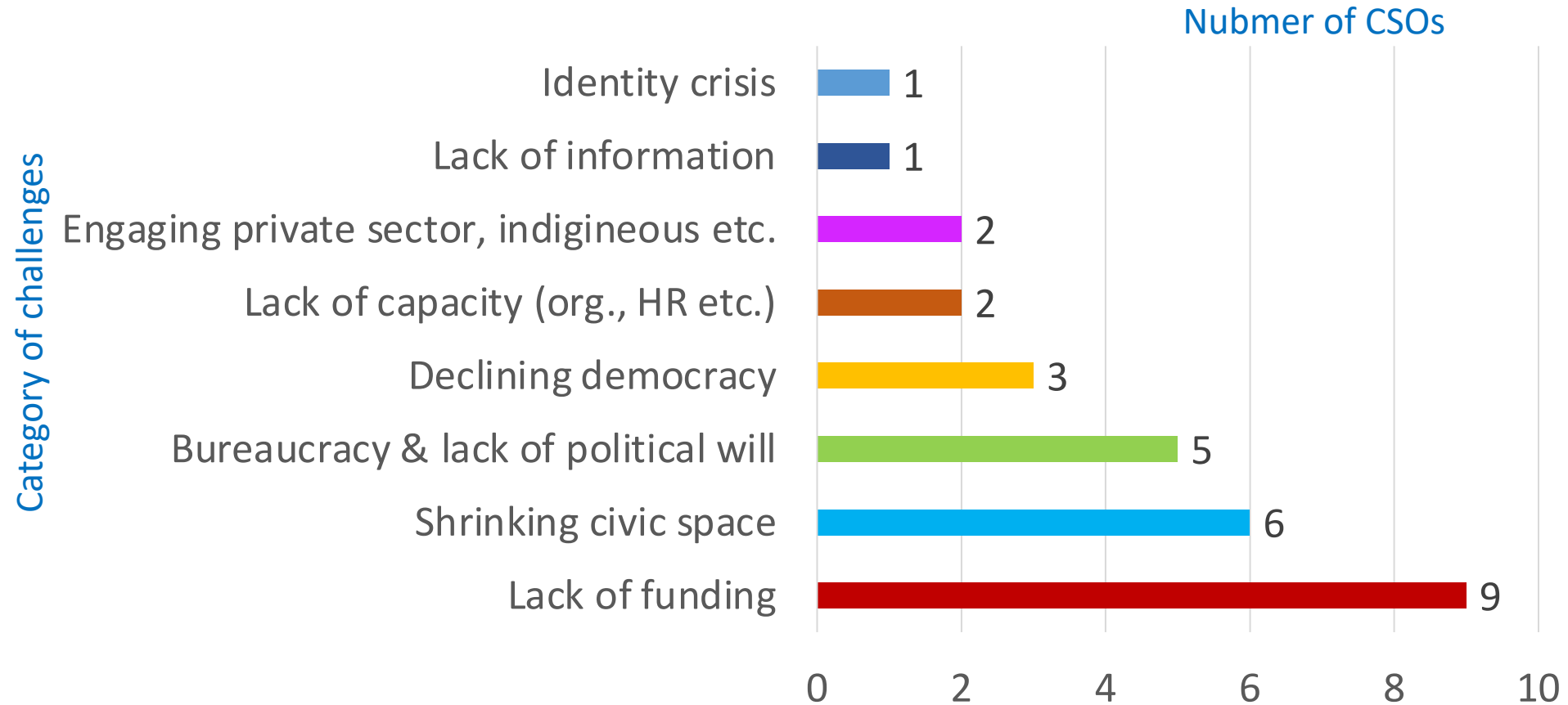
- Civil Society review on UNCAC implementation (9 CSOs)
- participated in some activities conducted by the Coalition.
- partnered with Transparency International Russia and UNCAC Coalition to produce a joint parallel report for the Implementation Review Mechanism
- utilizes other available forums to encourage the Government's commitment to eradicating corruption, one of which is through the OGP mechanism.
- engaged with Ministry of Justice, provided extensive feedback on the draft self assessment document

Main policy areas of affiliated groups

- Media Development
- Civil liberties
- Corporate accountability
- Rule of law, Access to Justice
- Open budget
- Transparency and open data

- Digital rights
- Business compliance and Human rights
- Climate Justice
- Women empowerment
- Resourcing Human Rights Defenders

Challenges and limitations being faced by Members and affiliated groups (N 21)



Anti-corruption priorities of CSOs for 2022



- **Strengthening anti-corruption institution, anti-corruption strategy**
- **Strengthening legal framework - anti-money laundering, foreign bribery**
- **Beneficial ownership tr.**
- **Transparency in political financing- funding laws, asset declaration (electoral candidates)**
- **Public sector whistleblower protections**
- **Public sector engagement and coalition Building**



- **Citizen, youth and women empowerment**
- **Business Integrity**
- **Diagnostic study/research**
- **Asset recovery**
- **Open government at local level**
- **Anti-corruption networks for investigating public scandals (NGOs, journalists etc.)**
- **Illicit financial flows**
- **Right to information**



- **National Integrity System Assessment**
- **Anti-corruption Reforms**
- **political business relations in the natural resources sector, including the development of the rules of the game regarding the management of conflicts of interest of public officials.**

Relevance of UNCAC Coalition's initiatives

- Networking and opportunity for mutual sharing and learning
- Regional meetings, regional platforms
- Civil society briefings
- Working groups - Victims of corruption, Asset recovery and Environmental crime and corruption
- Access to information campaign
- Civil society parallel reports
- Supporting CSO's participation
- Joint advocacy at the CoSP
- Transparency pledge

The domestic issues of the members are far more numerous, while the UNCAC coalition cannot go too deep into domestic issues in each country.

What should UNCAC Coalition prioritize



- Anti-corruption and human rights
- Accountability of public service delivery (incl. judiciary)
- Advocacy for improved civic space
- Campaign for anti-money laundering (involving cryptocurrency)
- Whistleblower Protection Law
- International cooperation and grand corruption
- Improve on solidarity measures for members facing reprisals
- To keep CSOs informed, facilitate supporting workshops.
- Monitor recommendation 25- FATF review- BOT
- Transparency of Public Procurement (COVID-19 & specially international or cross-border contractor involvement)
- Enhancing Citizens Awareness on Anti-Corruption
- Political campaign financing
- SDG 16
- Corporate integrity and accountability, Illicit financial flows
- Data literacy, data governance, indigenous data sovereignty

- UNCAC Review and follow-up (law and practice)
- Regional meetings
- Virtual civil society briefings regional platforms
- Transparency pledge
- Access to information campaign
- Victims of corruption
- Asset recovery
- Environmental crime

UNCAC coalition team knows better how to set up the strategy for 2022

Suggestions for UNCAC Coalition for further improvement

- Continue to keep us informed.
- UNCAC Coalition should continue engagement with CSOs, UNODC and ACU on the follow-up actions
- Engaging on UNCAC reviews
- Experience sharing events
- Organizing capacity building workshops for members
- Peer Advice on engaging with the business and/or financial sector in a collaborative way without getting captured
- Help us to promote this e-learning (thaihonesty.org) to the network UNCAC has and (if possible) .

**“We can help support interventions related to building their data literacy and advocate on governance issues in the Mekong countries.”
– CSO**

Suggestions for UNCAC Coalition for further improvement

- Develop stronger regional presence
- To reshape its agenda and move with the times and address new challenges
- Research and advocacy
- UNCAC Coalition can facilitate CSOs participation in CoSP or relay our concerns
- Providing working opportunity
- To have an exchange meeting in person for the sharing and learning from each other

“I find it really useful to have an organisation following and advocating and organising CSO around these international commitments”

“I have found everyone at the UNCAC Coalition to be very helpful, particularly as a new member navigating its way around the network. I have no suggestions for improvements.”

“UNCAC Coalition has done an excellent job and please keep the momentum. Thanks!”

**“This is a very impressive coalition of very talented people - very glad to be a part of it!
Thank you for all you do!”**

“The Secretariat of UNCAC Coalition are highly professional and have done really a good job. ”

Thank you all!