

UNCAC Coalition

Coalition Coordination Committee (CCC) Online Meeting Summary

Thursday, 30 April 2025

15:00 - 16:30 (CET)

Chaired by Gillian Dell (Co-Chair)

CCC Members present

Gillian Dell (Co-Chair), David Ugolor (Co-Chair), Naomi Roht-Arriaza (Vice-Chair), Wajdi Balloumi (Vice-Chair), Wana Alamsyah (Treasurer), Mukhtar Ahmad Ali (Secretary), Andrii Borovyk, Clara Lucarella, Kristen Robinson, Marlon Agaba, Natalia Carfi, Sandro Kevkhishvili

Hub Team present

Mathias Huter, Managing Director (MD)

Team members: Ana Revuelta Alonso, Betina Pasteknik, Corinna Gilfillan, Isabella Moggs, Isabelle Scalway, Miguel Feres Rodrigues Filho

1. Approval of Minutes:

The CCC approved the minutes from the previous CCC call (27 March 2025).

2. Follow-Up on Previous Action Points:

- The MD updated the CCC on ongoing action points, highlighting an open letter that was up for endorsement on a Human Rights Council resolution on human rights and a proposal for the UNCAC Coalition and organizations represented on the CCC to sign the letter
- Consultation on CoSP priorities and on the name change guidance, the finalization of the TOR for an Ombuds role, and follow-up on the staff well-being survey.
- Following comments from CCC members, the MD clarified the timeline for the name change process and related planned logo and website changes

3. Vienna Hub Updates:

The MD shared key Vienna Hub updates, introduced the new communications officer, and discussed follow-up on staff well-being, including ongoing work on an HR policy, and preparations for CoSP11 in Qatar.

4. Brief Updates from CCC Members:

CCC members shared brief updates on their work, engagement, and publications.

- David reported on an HRC outreach meeting in the Gambia, highlighting the importance of the human rights approach to corruption and linking the two subjects
- Kristen reports that OCP is proposing a side event at the prevention Working Group building on our work on ICTs and public procurement and referencing the UNCAC Coalition procurement sub-group (a mailing list rather than a working group)

- Mukhtar spoke about an IMF diagnostic mission in Pakistan, including a government component. There was NGO interaction with them and the conclusion that governance diagnostics should become part of the IMF mission.
- Mukhtar also noted that his organisation has observer status with the Climate Investment Fund hosted by the World Bank and has called on them to address transparency and corruption issues in that forum, which is something the Coalition could promote.
- Naomi spoke about her new book entitled Fighting Grand Corruption, aimed primarily at civil society and mentioned her blog post on the subject.
- Nati reported that she had been selected as a civil society representative to the UN working group for the global digital compact led by UNCTAD and that a first UN data governance meeting would be taking place in Geneva the following day.

5. Financial Update:

The MD presented the Coalition's 2024 Annual Accounts and Audit Report. In the following discussion, the CCC noted that the auditor found no instances of wrongdoing or other concerns.

6. Terms of Reference for Ombuds Role:

- The CCC adopted the Terms of Reference for the Ombuds role (an informal board support role for staff) and included an amendment allowing a former CCC member to serve in exceptional cases to ensure continuity.
- The CCC also appointed Kristen Robinson to serve in the Ombuds role until the fall.

7. Interim CCC Leadership:

- The CCC appointed Vice Chair Naomi Roth-Airazza to be interim Chair following the upcoming departure of the current Co-Chairs (and the second Vice Chair), with a mandate lasting until new leadership is elected in the fall of 2025. It was noted that this was a step foreseen in the Rules of Procedure for such situations..
- The MD was also tasked with organising a secret digital board ballot in May to elect up to two interim Vice-Chairs to serve until permanent new leadership is elected by the board in the fall of 2025 and registered with the authorities.

8. General Assembly:

The MD presented suggested changes to the Coalition's Charter, which sought to rename a regional board seat from Middle-East and North Africa to South-West Asia and North Africa (SWANA), in line with a request from the membership in the region; to clarify that the Coalition can be led by two Co-Chairs, and to bring the Coalition's charter in line with new Austrian provisions that allow for tax-deductible donations.

The CCC approved the proposed amendments to the Charter and agreed to present these changes to the General Assembly for adoption. The CCC also endorsed the MD's plan to circulate guidance on a potential Coalition name change, facilitate member consultations, and finalize the decision through an online vote.