



1st European Regional Conference

15 May 2026

08:00 **Registration**

09:00 – 10:30 **International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA)**

Measuring the Effectiveness of Anti-Corruption Agencies

This session will explore the critical question of how to assess the effectiveness of anti-corruption agencies (ACAs). Drawing on comparative research and practical experience, IACA will present current approaches to evaluate ACA capacity and performance, highlighting both the tools available and the limitations that remain. The discussion will introduce key performance dimensions and indicators, offering guidance on how agencies can interpret results responsibly and use them to strengthen institutional credibility and impact.

10:30 – 11:00 **Coffee break**

11:00 – 12:30 **Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC)**

Practical Experience in Evaluating and Sustaining Agency Effectiveness

This session examines the ICAC's evolving journey in evaluating its effectiveness. Building on decades of assessment practice, it will reflect on how engagement in international expert forums on new measurement methodologies benefits ACAs's work by broadening its evaluative horizons. Lessons from Hong Kong's experience will highlight how perpetual reflection, institutional resilience, and public trust underpin the ICAC's credibility as an adaptive anti-corruption agency.

Department of Justice (DoJ) of Hong Kong

Beyond Conviction: Measuring Effectiveness Through Transnational Asset Recovery – The Hong Kong Experience

Beyond conviction rates, a robust measure of an anti-corruption agency's effectiveness is its ability to ensure corruption is a 'high-risk, low-gain' venture. This session explores the impact metrics of transnational asset recovery, with the Department of Justice (DoJ) of Hong Kong, China, sharing extensive experience in tracing and securing 'tainted' assets across borders. Through the lens of real-world operational experience, the DoJ illustrates how disrupting financial incentives serves as a powerful deterrent, translating theoretical effectiveness into concrete results that uphold the rule of law.

12:30 – end **Guided Cultural and Architectural visit**