

State Capture: Drivers, Outcomes and Measurement

Workshop
December 3 - 4, 2015
Nippon Hotel, Istanbul
Agenda

2 December, Thursday

Arrival of participants in the afternoon

19:30 *Dinner*

3 December, Thursday

10:00 *Opening and Introduction*

Dr. Andrej Nosko, Program Manager, Think Tank Fund, Open Society Foundations

Ruslan Stefanov, Director, Economic Program, Center for the Study of Democracy

10:15 *Thematic discussions*

Towards the Development of a **State Capture Index**: what and how to measure?

- Critical assessment of existing corruption and state capture indices
- Discussion of the possible measurement tools and their viability
- Elaboration of specific state capture red flags

Chair. Prof. Alina Mungiu-Pippidi, Director, European Research Centre for Anticorruption and State-Building, Hertie School of Governance, Berlin

12:30 *Buffet lunch*

14:00 *Thematic discussions*

Drivers of State Capture in Transition Economies

- Examination of specific case-studies of state capture feeding into the methodological discussion
- Metrifying the lack of transparency in policy-making as a state capture indicator
- Review good governance models around the world and how they can be most effectively implemented

Chair: Dr. Zoltan Adam, Managing Director, Kopint-Tarki Institute for Economic Research, Budapest

16:00 *Wrap-up for the day*

19:30 *Dinner*

4 December, Friday

09:30 *Thematic discussions*

Outcomes of State Capture

- Close the knowledge gap on state capture in the EU through describing the mechanisms and means of state capture in key economic sectors
- Explain how state capture impedes competition and economic growth, prevents the proper functioning of institutions, increases the economic inequality.
- Compare and contrast different state capture mechanisms, including an overview of the external (geopolitical) dimension of state capture.

Chair: Dr. Alexander Stoyanov, Director of Research, Center for the Study of Democracy

11:30 *Key take aways and next steps*

12:30 *Buffet lunch*

Participants depart in the afternoon.

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