

## News



### **Romania: corruption level slows down economic activity, deters foreign investments**

The Annual Report of the European Commission (EC) on competitiveness of the EU's industry notes that the level of corruption in Romania is perceived as being particularly high in line with the European standards. *ActMedia, 27 September 2013*



### **Romania: media mogul and politician Voiculescu gets five-year jail sentence in fraudulent privatization case**

*Dan Voiculescu used his influence to gain money and launder money Romania Insider, 27 September 2013*



### **Albania: EU ambassador Sequi meets Minister of Justice: Crime and corruption should be fought in order to become EU member**

*The reform in justice and efficient fight against corruption are the goals of the government. Independent Balkan News Agency, 24 September 2013*



### **Interior Minister Tahiri: The government is determined to fight crime and corruption**

*Ministry of Interior plays a critical role as far as a number of priorities for EU integration are concerned. Independent Balkan News Agency, 23 September 2013*

## Special Report

### **Bulgaria**

#### **Details emerge of traffic police bribery schemes – and the risks of attempted bribery**

*Independent Balkan News Agency, 24 September 2013*

### **Albania**

#### **General Prosecution says that it has a plan ready to fight corruption**

*Independent Balkan News Agency, 24 September 2013*

## Reports and Analyses

### **The relationship between culture and corruption: a cross-national study**

This paper aims to investigate the relationship between the GLOBE (Global Leadership and Organizational Behaviour Effectiveness) project national cultural dimensions of values and practices and the Corruption Perception Index (CPI).

*Ahmed Seleim, Nick Bontis, Journal of Intellectual Capital, Vol. 10, No 1, 2009*

**Cultures of corruption:  
Evidence from diplomatic  
parking tickets**

Corruption is believed to be a major factor impeding economic development, but the importance of legal enforcement versus cultural norms in controlling corruption is poorly understood.

*Raymond Fisman, Edward Maguel, National Bureau of Economic Research, Working Paper Series 12312*

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