

PROJECT SUMMARY

On the Level: Business and Government against Corruption in Colombia

Country: Colombia

Duration: 4 years (2020- 2025)

Donor: Siemens Integrity Initiative



OBJECTIVES

The second phase of the project "On the Level: Business and Government against Corruption in Colombia" brings together the public and the private sectors in Colombia to promote fair competition. It supports stakeholders in identifying and mitigating corruption risks in the energy and health-care sectors.

As part of this project, UNODC reviews existing legislation and provides a space for partners to develop policy recommendations for further improvement, for example in the area of beneficial ownership transparency and public procurement. UNODC also promotes the signing of integrity pacts in the energy and health-care sectors. Activities in Colombia are also covered under the Global Action for Business Integrity project.

SUCCESS DATA



Five anti-corruption training sessions for stakeholders of the energy and health sectors were held. The trainings focused on the identification and evaluation of corruption risks, the definition of risk mitigation strategies, and they included practical exercises



Three training sessions on reporting channels and whistle-blower protection were held for stakeholders from the energy and health sectors to strengthen their anti-corruption knowledge



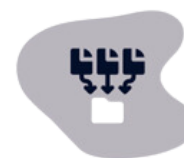
A draft collective action pact for the health sector, informed by a sectoral corruption risk assessment, has been developed and circulated among stakeholders. Additionally, a draft roadmap for implementing the collective action pact has been prepared



A document on beneficial ownership transparency, based on technical workshops with stakeholders from Argentina, Chile, Colombia, México, and Peru, has been finalized and distributed. It provides recommendations to enhance beneficial ownership transparency in these countries



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18 sessions of the Network of Compliance Officers were held; the compliance officers received trainings on anti-corruption, and they were encouraged to share good practices from their companies to learn from each other



Two lectures were delivered in partnership with the National University of Colombia, referring to collective action as a tool for preventing and fighting against corruption, and citizen participation for the fight against corruption, respectively

OUTCOME AND IMPACT

- Enhanced business integrity by strengthening beneficial ownership transparency and mitigating corruption risks in public procurement in Colombia and the region.
- More robust anti-corruption capacities of relevant stakeholders in the energy and health sectors enable collective action and contribute to a cleaner business environment.
- Widespread knowledge of up-to-date tools and approaches to prevent and counter corruption contributes to fairer market conditions.

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