



MECHANISM FOR FOLLOW-UP ON
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INTER-AMERICAN
CONVENTION AGAINST CORRUPTION
Thirty-Seventh Meeting of the Committee of Experts
March 14 – 17, 2022
Washington, D.C.

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SCHEDULE

Place: Virtual Form (Zoom Platform)

Monday, March 14, 2022

I. INFORMAL MEETING WITH CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANIZATIONS^{1/}

10:00 hrs. – 10:45 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Presentations by civil society organizations.
- Questions and answers.

II. FORMAL MEETING OF THE COMMITTEE

10:45 hrs. – 12:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Opening of meeting.
- Delegates Presentation.
- Inaugural Photo.^{2/}
- Consideration and approval of the Agenda.

1. The informal meeting with the civil society organizations is held in accordance with the provisions in paragraph two of article 36 of the Rules of Procedures and other provisions of the Committee of Experts.

* - 2 hours: Belize, Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, Mexico, and Nicaragua.

- 1 hour: Colombia, Ecuador, Jamaica, Panama, and Peru.

Same time Zone as Washington D.C.: Antigua and Barbuda, Bahamas, Bolivia, Canada, Dominica, Grenada, Guyana, Haiti, Dominican Republic, Saint Kitts and Nevis, Saint Lucia, Saint Vicente and the Grenadines, Trinidad and Tobago and Venezuela.

+1 hour: Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Paraguay, Suriname and Uruguay.

To verify the time differences above and/or to consult about the time of other countries and/or cities, please consult the following link: <https://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/meeting.html>

2. For this item, the MESICIC Technical Secretariat will ask the Lead Experts to turn on their video cameras in order to take a screenshot of all the Lead Experts.

- Report by the Technical Secretariat (Item 1 of the Agenda).
- Presentation of candidates for Chair and Vice-Chair of the Committee (Item 2 of the Agenda).^{3/}
- Consideration of the first draft country report: *Argentina* (Item 3.1. of the Agenda).^{4/}

15:00 hrs. – 17:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Continued consideration of the first draft country report: *Argentina* (Item 3.1. of the Agenda).

Tuesday, March 15, 2022

10:00 hrs. – 12:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Consideration of the second draft country report: *Honduras* (Item 3.2. of the Agenda).

15:00 hrs. – 17:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Voluntary presentations by States Parties on best practices (Item 4 of the Agenda).

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

10:00 hrs. – 13:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone): *

- Special Session: Experiences, Developments, and Lessons Learned in the Protection of Public Servants and Private Citizens who, in Good Faith, Report Acts of Corruption.

10:00 hrs. – 11:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone): *

- 5.1. Panel on International Mechanisms and Whistleblower Protections (Item 5.1 de la Agenda).

11:00 hrs. – 13:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone): *

- 5.2. Voluntary presentations by States Parties on Whistleblower Protections (Item 5.2 of the Agenda).^{5/}

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3. This item is included as agreed upon in the Committee's Fifteenth Meeting.
 4. Article 25 of the Rules of Procedure sets out the procedure for the consideration and adoption of country reports at the plenary of the Committee.
 5. The Special Session will be conducted following the guidelines established by the "*Procedures for States to present their Experiences, Achievements, and Lessons Learned in Procedures for States to present their Experiences, Achievements, and Lessons Learned in the Protection of Public Servants and Private Citizens who, in Good Faith, Report Acts of Corruption*" document OEA/Ser.L.SG/MESICIC/doc.607/22, as sent, in advance, by the Technical Secretariat.

15:00 hrs. – 17:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Consideration of the proposed indicators to prevent, detect, and eradicate impunity for acts of corruption with regard to results of their investigation, prosecution, adjudication, and sentencing (Item 6 of the Agenda).^{6/}

Thursday, March 17, 2022

10:00 hrs. – 12:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Final review and adoption of the two country reports: *Argentina*, and *Honduras* (Item 3 on the agenda).
- Reports from States Parties on progress made in implementing recommendations made to them by the Committee (Item 7 on the Agenda).^{7/}

15:00 hrs. – 17:00 hrs. (Washington, D.C. time zone):*

- Elections of Chair and Vice-Chair (Item 8 of the Agenda).^{8/}
- Other matters (Item 9 of the Agenda).
- Consideration and approval of the Meeting Minutes (Item 10 of the Agenda).

6. In relation to this item, the Technical Secretariat has prepared the “*Proposed indicators to prevent, detect, and eradicate impunity for acts of corruption with regard to results of their investigation, prosecution, adjudication, and sentencing*”, document OEA/Ser.L.SG/MESICIC/doc.592/21 rev.2.

7. This item in the agenda refers to the reports that each of the States Parties should present as provided in Article 31 of the Rules of Procedure, which reads as follows: “*Article 31. Reports within the framework of the Committee Meetings. At the first Committee meeting of each year, each State Party shall submit a brief verbal report on the measures it has adopted since the first meeting of the previous year with respect to the recommendations made by the Committee. Similarly, each State Party may inform on the difficulties that it has faced with respect to the implementation of those recommendations as well as on other progress related to the implementation of the Convention during that time period. An electronic copy of these reports, which shall be drafted in a standard format approved by the Committee and shall not exceed five pages in length, shall be published on the Internet web page of the Mechanism.*”

8. Article 4 of the Committee’s Rules of Procedure provides the procedure to be followed when electing the Committee’s Chair and Vice-Chair.