

GENERAL INFORMATION

Conference venue:

Maternushaus
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Fee:

The participation fee is 150 € (incl. 2 lunches, 1 dinner, 3 coffee breaks and refreshments).

Travel information:

Either Cologne/Bonn airport or Cologne main station

Location of the conference hotel:

City Centre – near the main railway station.
5-minute walk along “Dompropst-Ketzer-Straße.”

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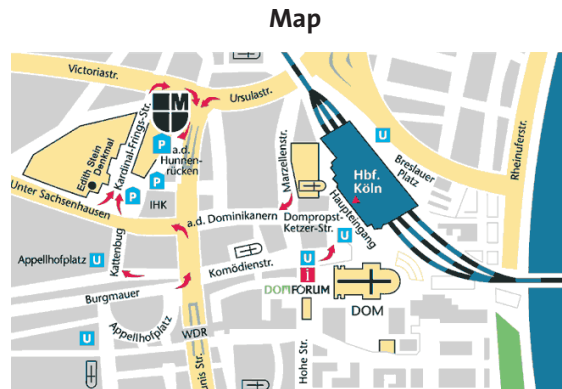
Programme

International Conference

Together we are stronger?

Harmonising the fight against fraud and corruption in Europe

25 – 26 February 2008
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Cologne, Germany



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Monday, 25 February 2008

09:30 **Welcome coffee**

10:00 **Opening remarks**

*Willi Russ,
President of the dbb akademie*

10:15 **OLAF: The EU gatekeeper in protecting the Community's financial interests**

*Franz-Hermann Brüner,
Director General, OLAF, Brussels*

Presentation and discussion

11:00 **The joint fight against fraud and corruption in the European Union**

*Elisabeth Werner,
Member of the Cabinet of Mr. Siim Kallas
(Vice-President of the European Commission
responsible for Administrative Affairs, Audit
and Anti-Fraud) Brussels*

Presentation and discussion

11:45 **A "culture of co-operation" between national and European authorities in the fight against fraud and corruption**

*Drago Kos,
Chairman of the Commission for the Prevention
of Corruption of Slovenia, Ljubljana and
President of the Council of Europe's Group of
States Against Corruption (GRECO)*

Presentation and discussion

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 **Best practice strategies:
Combating fraud and corruption in Europe**

*Johan Denolf,
Director of the Division of the fight against
economic and financial crime, Brussels*

*Kazimir Åberg,
Judge, Administrative Court of Appeal,
Stockholm, Sweden*

*Edmond Dunga,
Head of Office, Secretariat of the Regional
Anti-Corruption Initiative, Sarajevo, Bosnia and
Herzegovina*

16:00 **Coffee break**

16:30 – 18:30 **Workshops**

**1. Co-operation between the various actors
in the fight against corruption
Examples from EU-funded projects**

Keynote speakers

*Wiesław Jasinski, Head of Gdansk Branch,
Central Bureau for Anti-Corruption, Warsaw, Poland*

*Florin Stoleru,
Head of International Relations Unit,
Anti-Corruption General Directorate, Bucharest, Romania*

*Chair: Prof. Slagjana Taseva,
Professor of Criminal Law, Director of Police Academy,
Skopje, Macedonia*

2. Co-ordinating investigations and corruption detection

Keynote speakers

*Jürgen Kapplinghaus,
Senior Public Prosecutor, General Prosecutor's Office
Düsseldorf, Germany*

*Lukas Volak,
Police commissioner, Prague, Czech Republic*

*Chair: Dr. Wolfgang Hetzer,
Adviser to the Director General, OLAF, Brussels*

3. NGOs: watchdogs for the correct use of EU funds

Keynote speakers

*Sergej Muravjov,
Project manager, Transparency International,
Vilnius, Lithuania*

*Dr. Eszter Kosa,
Hungarian Researcher, Save Public Assets Project,
PROVIDUS, Riga, Latvia*

*Chair: Björn Rohde-Liebenau,
Attorney, RCC Risk Communication Concepts,
Hamburg, Germany*

19:00 **Dinner**

Tuesday, 26 February 2008

09:00 **Panel discussion: Vision and reality
in the fight against corruption**

*Bertrand de Speville,
Principal, de Speville and Associates, anti-
corruption consultancy, United Kingdom,
Former Commissioner, Independent Commission
against Corruption, Hong Kong*

*Dr. Londa Esadze,
UNDP special international advisor to the
Kosovo Anti-corruption Agency,
Pristina, Kosovo*

*Prof. Thomas Weigend,
Institute for Foreign and International
Criminal Law,
University of Cologne, Germany*

*Chair: Michael Klöcker,
Editor in chief, "innovative Verwaltung"*

10:00 **Coffee break**

10:30 **Continuation of workshops
Preparation of presentations of conclusions**

12:30 **Lunch**

14:00 **Presentation of conclusions from the work-
shops and roundtable discussion with experts**

15:00 **Closing remarks**

Overall conference chair:

*Anke Weigend,
Deputy Director, dbb akademie*

Conference languages: English, German.
Simultaneous interpretation will be provided.