

Call for Papers: 20-21 October 2016 – Anti-Corruption Collective Action Conference

The International Centre for Collective Action (ICCA) at the Basel Institute on Governance will hold a conference on “**Collective Action: Evidence, Experience and Impact**” on 20 – 21 October 2016 in Basel, Switzerland (<http://collective-action.com/conference2016/overview>). This event will address the latest in research and practice on the topic of Collective Action and business integrity, through a number of high-level panel discussions and interactive sessions that together aim to emphasize the business case for joint engagement against corruption.

Collective Action as tool to confront shared corruption challenges has gained considerable interest and application in recent years, however, the effectiveness of anti-corruption Collective Action needs to be assessed through further research and analysis in order to strengthen the business case for Collective Action. The ICCA is thus inviting papers from anti-corruption and compliance practitioners and academics (including graduate students), that assess and provide further insights into anti-corruption Collective Action evidence and impact. Research papers written within the past two years are also eligible for submission. Papers selected for the conference will be published on the B20 Collective Action Hub (www.collective-action.com) and made available to participants during the conference. In addition, authors selected for their work may be given the opportunity to present their paper during the conference and to publish their papers in the Basel Institute on Governance Working Paper Series after the conference.

Submission guidelines

Those interested in contributing a paper should send a 300 to 500 word abstract to william.nero@baselgovernance.org by **10 June, 2016**. Please include with the email full contact information, including institutional affiliation. A final decision on including the paper in the conference programme will be sent to all submitters by 31 July 2016. Accepted papers should then be sent electronically by 5 September, 2016, and should not exceed 10,000 words (excluding annexes).

Promoting evidence in support of business integrity and Collective Action solutions is the overarching theme of the conference, with a focus on highlighting research that demonstrates effectiveness, best practice and underscores the business case. Potential thematic areas for papers within this framework can include the following:

- The Business Case for anti-Corruption Collective Action (in particular empirical evidence or methodologies to assess the business case)
- Critical assessment of anti-corruption Collective Action (in particular evidence based or theoretical appraisal)
- Identify and using data sources on bribery to engage in anti-corruption Collective Action
- Anti-corruption Collective Action / business integrity with a country or regional focus
- Case study of an anti-corruption Collective Action Initiative(s)
- High Level Reporting Mechanism(s)
- Comparative research on anti-corruption Collective Action
- Public procurement
- Supply chain integrity

Further topic suggestions from submitters are welcome, with approval from the Basel Institute. For more information please contact: william.nero@baselgovernance.org.