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Ministry of Justice  
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## Agenda

International Conference

“Strengthening the Fight against Corruption: Whistleblowing”

Hermitage Hotel Prague, Svobodova 1, Prague 2  
Prague, the Czech Republic

17-18 January 2023

**Tuesday, 17 January 2023**

Time	Agenda	Topic
8:00 – 8:50	Registration	-
9:00 – 9:40	Opening, keynote speech and introducing a comparative study	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Keynote speech:</b>  Speaker: Michal Franěk (Chief Director, the Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic)   Speaker: Michal Šalomoun (Minister for Legislation and Chairman of the Legislative Council of the Government of the Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Presentation of the comparative study on whistleblowing:</b>  Speaker: Šárka Zvěřina Trunkátová (Association “Oživení”, Czech Republic)</li> </ul>
9:40 – 10:00	Coffee break	-
10:00 – 12:00	<p>PANEL 1: Transposition of Directive (EU) 2019/1937 of the European Parliament and of the Council of 23 October 2019 on the protection of persons reporting breaches of Union law</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The most problematic aspects of Directive (EU) 2019/1937 in terms of transposition by member states from the point of view of the European Commission and the state-of-play:</b>  Speaker: Christel Mercadé (European Commission)</li> <li>• <b>Presentation of transposition adjustments in some member states:</b>  Speaker: Zuzana Dlugošová (Whistleblower Protection Office, Slovak Republic)   Speaker: Cécile Barrois (Office of the Defender of Rights, France) <u>ONLINE</u></li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>The direct effect of the EU Directive in the Czech Republic:</b> Speaker: Johana Trešlová (Conflict of Interests and Anti-Corruption Department, Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Implementation of the Directive (EU) 2019/1937 in the private sector:</b> Speaker: Robert Pelikán (Wolf Theiss, Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Discussion</b></li> </ul>
12:00 – 13:15	Buffet Lunch	-
13:15 – 15:15	PANEL 2: Existing protection of whistleblowers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Introduction of NEIWA (Network of European Integrity and Whistleblowing Authorities):</b> Speaker: Wilbert Tomesen (Dutch Whistleblowers' Authority)</li> <li>• <b>Experience from selected countries:</b> Speaker: Kristien Verbraeken (Dutch Whistleblowers' Authority) Speaker: Veronica Dragalin (Chief prosecutor, Republic of Moldova) <u>ONLINE</u> Speaker: Dijana Kesonja (Deputy Ombudswoman, the Republic of Croatia) <u>ONLINE</u></li> <li>• <b>Discussion</b></li> </ul>
15:15 – 15:45	Coffee break	-

15:45 – 17:00	Whistleblowers' experiences	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Whistleblowers' experiences:</b>  Speaker: Zuzana Hlávková (Slovak Republic)  Speaker: Jaroslav Hornof (Czech Republic)  Speaker: Osita Mba (Great Britain) <u>ONLINE</u></li> <li>• <b>Discussion</b></li> </ul>
19:00	Evening social program – networking dinner	Andělský pivovar Lidická 337/30, 150 00 Prague 5

Wednesday, 18 January 2023

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9:00 – 10:35	PANEL 3: The role of NGOs in the protection of whistleblowers, and technical solutions to whistleblowing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Technical solution of a whistleblowing system:</b> Speaker: Jan Sláma (FaceUp Technology)</li> <li>• <b>Successful whistleblowing campaigns:</b> Speaker: Šárka Zvěřina Trunkátová (Association “Oživení”, Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Effective awareness-raising of whistleblowing:</b> Speaker: David Kotora (Transparency International, Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Discussion</b></li> </ul>
10:35 – 10:50	Coffee break	-
10:50 – 12:20	PANEL 4: Problematic aspects of the functional protection of whistleblowers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Implementation of the obligations arising from Directive (EU) 2019/1937 in the Czech public administration:</b> Speaker: Ivona Mottlová (Union of Towns and Municipalities of the Czech Republic) Speaker: Jindřich Fryč (Ministry of Interior of the Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Professional organizations and Directive (EU) 2019/1937:</b> Speaker: Šárka Homfray (Czech-Moravian Confederation of Trade Unions, Czech Republic) Speaker: Jitka Hlaváčková (Confederation of Industry of the Czech Republic)</li> </ul>

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Glossary from an academic point of view:</b> Speaker: Harald Christian Scheu (Department of European Law, the Faculty of Law of Charles University, Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Discussion</b></li> </ul>
12:20 – 13:45	Buffet Lunch	-
13:45 – 14:30	PANEL 5: Whistleblowing from the perspective of ethics	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Whistleblowing from the perspective of ethics:</b> Speaker: Ondřej Bis (Ministry of Transport of the Czech Republic) Speaker: Pavla Holcová (Investigace.cz, Czech Republic)</li> <li>• <b>Discussion</b></li> </ul>
14:30 – 14:45	Conclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Summary of the conference outputs:</b> Rapporteur: Dalibor Fadrný (Conflict of Interests and Anti-Corruption Department, Ministry of Justice of the Czech Republic)</li> </ul>