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NATIONAL CONVENTION FOR EUROPEAN INTEGRATION CHAPTER 24

THE IMPORTANCE OF PUBLIC EDUCATION ON MONEY LAUNDERING – STRENGTHENING COOPERATION WITH NON-STATE ACTORS

21 May 2025

Xheko Imperial Hotel

10:00 - 12:30

The Financial Intelligence Agency and the European Movement in Albania have the pleasure to invite you to the upcoming meeting of the Working Group on Chapter 24, within the framework of the National Convention for European Integration.

The Roundtable on Chapter 24 represents an important platform that enables the involvement of non-state actors in the negotiation process. Its aim is not only to inform about the process but also to actively engage civil society and other stakeholders in providing recommendations and comments on the legal framework and adopted policies, as well as in monitoring the process throughout its various stages.

This event aims to inform business community representatives, civil society organizations, and other interested stakeholders about the implementation progress of the Strategy for Public Education on the Risks of Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing 2025–2027, approved in December 2024. It also seeks to create opportunities for structured dialogue and exchange of recommendations and suggestions between public institutions and various non-state actors.

The Strategy aims to raise public awareness of the risks associated with money laundering and terrorist financing and to contribute to building a more informed and engaged society in the fight against these phenomena. Money laundering and terrorist financing are not only legal and institutional matters but also require consistent enforcement of legal obligations and the active engagement of every individual and institution in society to prevent these crimes. In this context, informative and consultative meetings such as this are essential for sharing information, experiences, and the diverse perspectives of actors such as the private sector, civil society, academia, media, and field experts.

An added value of this meeting is the exchange of best practices with EU Member States, as Slovak experts will share their practical experiences and recommendations regarding money laundering and the need for broad public information and awareness-raising.

We look forward to your active engagement and valuable contribution to this event!

This consultation session takes place within the framework of the project "Building Partnership on Fundamentals: Empowering CSOs for the EU accession process", with the financial support of the European Union - IPA Civil Society Facility 2021, which is implemented by the European Movement in Albania and in cooperation with the Academy of European Integration and Negotiations (AIEN), Slovak Foreign Policy Association (SFPA) and the Center for Transparency and Freedom of Information (CTFI).





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Registration and Welcome Coffee

10:00 - 10:45

Opening Remarks

Mr. Ervin Koçi, Director General of the Financial Intelligence Agency
Mr. Gledis Gjipali, Executive Director of European Movement Albania
Mr. Nikolin Jaka, Chairperson of the Chamber of Commerce and Industry of Tirana

10:45 - 11:10

Strategy for Public Education on the Risk of Money Laundering – Objectives and Achievements

- Main objectives of the strategy for public education – achievements and current challenges
- Measures taken to implement the objectives and inter-institutional cooperation
- Cooperation between civil society, businesses, and public institutions to enhance the strategy's effectiveness

Mr. Agim Muslia, Director of Compliance and IT Department, Financial Intelligence Agency

11:10 - 11:40

The Role of Civil Society and the Private Sector in Combating Money Laundering – Best Practices from the EU for Increasing Cooperation and Reducing Risk

- Money laundering in Slovakia and EU legislation
- Main risks for different target groups (private sector, CSOs, the general public)
- Existing policies for anti-money laundering education in Slovakia/EU – best practices and cooperation with non-state actors (CSOs, universities, private sector)

Mr. Andrej Leontiev, Attorney at Law and Anti-Money Laundering Expert, Co-founder of TaylorWessing law office in Bratislava

11:40 - 12:00

Interactive Discussion with civil society actors, the private sector, and other stakeholders

12:00 - 12:30

Closing of the Roundtable and Networking Cocktail

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