



**USAID E&E Social Legacy Program
Transparent Education Network (TEN) Roundtable**

**Struga, Macedonia
September 24 - 26, 2009**

Program

Thursday September 24, 2009

- 8:30 – 9:30** Welcome and Introductions (YEF)
- 9:30 – 10:00** Setting the Stage: Presenting the Social Legacy Program’s Transparent Education Network (TEN) (*Gustavo Payan, EDC’s SLP-TEN Manager*)
- 10:00 – 10:30** Coffee Break
- 10:30 – 11:30** Understanding Corruption in Education: Forms, Causes, and Impact (*Luba Fajfer, Ph.D., USAID*)

This session will explore the nature of corruption in education. Dr. Fajfer and participants will look at ways in which corrupt practices occur in the education system, suggest possible causes, and consider the spectrum of resulting negative implications for students, stakeholders, and society in general.

- 11: 30 - 12:30** Presentation of Survey Results and Analysis (*TEN Members: Inessa Hakobryanyan from NGO Center; Aynur Nabiyeva from YUVA; Martin Galavski from YEF; Svetlana Zakrevska from NGO Alliance; facilitator: Bagrat Harutyunyan*)

TEN member organizations will discuss their findings based on the “Survey about Perceptions of Corruption in Education.”

- 12:30 – 1:30** Lunch

1:30 – 3:00 Addressing Corruption and Promoting a Culture of Transparency: Case Studies in Effective Policies and Practices (*Dr. Steve Heyneman, Facilitator: Dr. Luba Fajfer*)

Using the illustrations of specific case studies, Dr. Heyneman will discuss the urgent need to address corruption in education. He will look at the systemic roots of corruption in education and offer some effective tools for addressing and combating it.

3:00 – 3:30 Coffee Break

3:30 – 5:30 Skills Development Workshop: Advocacy to Promote Transparent Schools (*Marjan Zabrcanec and Aleksandar Stojanovski*)

This session will feature participatory professional development exercises for TEN members and anticorruption workers in the area of effective advocacy to promote transparency in schools. This capacity-building session will focus on developing and conducting awareness-raising activities, including managing creative project competitions, holding educational seminars, giving skill-building workshops, giving demonstrations on best practices for advocating with relevant stakeholders, facilitating outreach, and working with media.

SLP Awareness Raising: Showcasing the Work of the Transparent Education Network (*TEN Members: Manana Mananyan from NGO Center; Pervana Mamedova from YUVA; Kate Todorovska from YEF*)

TEN Members will share their experiences in developing and implementing youth awareness-raising programs. Members will explain their methods, rationale, results, challenges, and implications for the benefit of fellow members and participants.

6:30 – 8:30 Dinner

Friday September 25, 2009

8:30 – 9:00 Recap of Thursday and Preview of the Day (*NGO Center*)

9:00 – 10:30 Skills Development Workshop: Project Management (*Arpine Hakobian; Emin Amrullayev*)

This interactive session will feature information about project management for development practitioners. We will workshop the steps in a project cycle, e.g., *Identification*, including needs and capacity assessment; *Design*, including stakeholder analysis, research, proposal development, and action planning; *Activity Management*, including strategic management; *Implementation*, including documentation and time-management; *Monitoring and Evaluation*, impact assessment, monitoring frameworks, evaluation; and *Communication*,

including principles for effective listening, speaking, problem-solving, and observation.

10:30 – 11:00 Coffee Break

11:00 – 12:30 Panel on International Donors and Organizations Working on Addressing Corruption in the E&E region the Region (*Representatives from the German Technical Cooperation Agency (GTZ), Open Society Institute (OSI), and the US Agency for International Development (USAID); facilitator: Dr. Steve Heyneman*)

The objective of this presentation is to raise awareness about donor efforts in the area of corruption in the Eastern Europe & Eurasia region. During this panel, distinguished donor representatives will share details of programs that address corruption in education which are currently underway in the region and other parts of the world in order to provide insight and inspiration to all participants. Participants will have an opportunity to learn effective strategies as well as gain an expanding perspective on the regional fight against educational corruption.

12:30 – 1:30 Lunch

1:30 – 3:00 The Role of the Private Sector in Addressing Corruption in Education (*TBC*)

In this session a representative from the private sector will discuss the sector's stake in the fight against corruption in education. These individuals will highlight the ways in which corruption in education affects private business as well as, conversely, the powerful role the private sector can play in addressing corruption and mitigating its negative impact on society. Participants will have the opportunity to explore how anticorruption activities may be encouraged, enhanced, and implemented by private employers, and learn how these activities transfer to the education sector; for example the private sector can partner with higher education institutions and NGOs working to increase transparency in education.

3:00 – 3:30 Coffee Break

3:30 – 5:30 Skills Development Workshop: Codes of Conduct/Ethics and Student Ombudsman Offices to Promote Transparent Schools (*Dr. Steve Heyneman and Svetlana Zakrevska from NGO Alliance*)

This session will feature participatory professional development exercises for TEN members and anticorruption workers. Areas of capacity building to be addressed will include communication and relationship building with educational institutions, and development and implementation of Codes of Conduct, Codes of Ethics, and Student Ombudsman Offices. It is hoped that this skills workshop, through a participatory approach, will help participants to better define objectives, develop good practices for transparent education, and understand the uses of Codes of Conduct for students, faculty, and administrators.

SLP's Codes of Conduct: Showcasing the Work of TEN Members
(TEN Members: Ashot Hakobyan from NGO Center; Emin Amrullayev from YUVA; Martin Aleksoski from YEF)

TEN Members will share their experiences developing and implementing Codes of Conduct. Members will explain their methods, rationale, results, challenges, and implications for the benefit of fellow members and participants.

6:30 – 8:30 Dinner

Saturday September 26, 2009

8:30 – 9:00 Recap of Friday and Preview of the Day *(YUVA)*

9:00 – 10:30 Network Activity: Teamwork and Communication

Having Coffee with SLP TEN members: Effective Practices and Challenges *(USAID, TEN Management and Members)*

Participants across the TEN Network will have a chance to share their experiences of successes and challenges in their fight against corruption in education. It is hoped that members from different regions will have the opportunity to mutually benefit by developing relationships for continued communication and support.

10:30 – 12:00 Sustainability of TEN: Country and Regional Plans *(Breakout Sessions)*

In this breakout session, member groups will convene individually to take stock of their work to date and discuss plans for future initiatives based upon lessons learned. The objective of this session is to ensure that SLP-TEN's efforts are sustainable and its impacts are long-lasting.

12:00 – 12:45 Lunch

12:45 – 1:15 Presentation of Sustainability Plans *(USAID, EDC, TEN Members, Facilitator: Luba Fajfer)*

Members will present strategies and future plans produced in the earlier session.

1:15 – 1:45 Closing Remarks

2:00 Departure