



# Send us your application for a chance to take part in the 15<sup>th</sup> International Anti-corruption Conference (15<sup>th</sup> IACC)

# Learning trip for a CSO representative

## Brasilia, Brasil

### 7-10 November, 2012

Towards Transparency (TT) is looking for one talented and motivated representative of a Vietnamese civil society organisation to participate in the <u>15<sup>th</sup> International Anti-corruption Conference</u> (15<sup>th</sup> IACC) in Brasil, Brasilia (7-10 November 2012).

Hosted by the government of Brasil for its 15<sup>th</sup> edition, the IACC is the world's leading conference series for anti-corruption practitioners and other stakeholders from the public, private and civil society sectors. It provides a unique learning and networking opportunity for those seeking to contribute to anti-corruption efforts nationally, regionally and at the international level.

Recognising the growing interest among Vietnamese civil society organisations to improve their understanding and capacity to address corruption challenges through their work, Towards Transparency (TT), the local contact of Transparency International (TI) in Vietnam is looking to financially support the participation of **one highly motivated representative** of a Vietnamese civil society organisation to join this conference.

Prior to their departure for the 15<sup>th</sup> IACC, the selected participant will identify, together with TT staff, concrete learning objectives and areas for application of learning in their work upon return. Following her/his return, the participant will be expected to share/apply their learning with colleagues from employer organisation and other CSOs (as appropriate).

All costs associated with the participant's attendance at the 15<sup>th</sup> IACC (including airfares, travel insurance, accommodation and meals) will be fully covered by TT from the TI Vietnam Programme. Please see the box below for more information on TT and the TI Vietnam Programme.





#### Eligibility:

- Open to all current employees of Vietnamese civil society organisations<sup>1</sup>
- Must demonstrate a clear interest in promoting transparency, accountability and integrity
- Must provide evidence of relevance of the conference's contents to their position and future activities of her/his organisation
- Must demonstrate endorsement of their application by their employer organisation, and commitment to continued employment in their home organisation
- Must have proficient verbal and oral communication skills in English.
- Willingness and ability to travel to the 15<sup>th</sup> IACC to be held in Brasilia, 7-10 November 2012
- Commitment to share her/his learning upon return from the conference.

#### How to Apply:

All interested candidates should submit (via email) the following:

- A letter of motivation (no more than 2 pages A4 long) This letter should:
  - Explain the motivation of the applicant to attend the 15<sup>th</sup> IACC.
  - Outline clearly how this learning trip will contribute to future activities or initiatives of their employer organisation, and suggestions<sup>2</sup> on how the applicant plans to share learning from the trip upon her/his return. It will be important for applicants to make clear reference to the <u>conference theme and programme</u>.
  - Include a statement of willingness and availability to travel to Brasilia between approximately 4-13 November (including travel to and from Brasil). Applicants must hold a passport valid for at least six months after 15 November.
- An up-to-date CV of the applicant, including a summary of the currently held position
- A written statement of support from the employer organisation. Typically this would take the form of a separate letter signed by the Executive Director<sup>3</sup> of the applicant's employer organisation, confirming the organisational commitment to make use of the learning during the IACC, and to continue employment of the applicant for at least six months after the 15<sup>th</sup> IACC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> A Vietnamese civil society organisation is understood to be any Vietnam-based and registered organisation operating not for profit and working in the public interest through social activities, socio-economic development activities, research, advocacy or similar activities.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This could for example involve organising a sharing session with colleagues from her/his own organisation and/or with other CSO colleagues, writing a blog post etc. but we look forward to suggestions from the applicants themselves.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> This does not apply to applicants who currently hold the position of Executive Director or similar of their organisation. However, organisational commitment will still be considered a key criterion in this case.





#### Initial evaluation of applications

All applications received on and before the deadline will be reviewed according to the following main criteria:

- Overall quality and completeness of the application
- Relevance and level of personal and organisational commitment to advancing transparency, accountability and integrity (as expressed in the application)

#### Where to send applications:

All applications should be sent by email to <u>info@towardstransparency.vn</u> and include CSO ANTI-CORRUPTION LEARNING TRIP in the subject title.

#### Application Submissions must be received by 6pm (Hanoi time) Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> October, 2012.

#### **Tentative Timeline:**

- Application deadline: **5 October 2012**
- Announcement to short-listed candidates: **10 October 2012**
- Meetings with shortlisted candidates: 11-12 October
- Announcement of final decision: 15 October

#### Towards Transparency (TT) reserves the right to select none or more than one of the applications received.

**Towards Transparency (TT)** is a progressive Vietnamese non-profit and non- government consulting organisation that was established in 2008. TT's vision is to contribute to national efforts in preventing and fighting against corruption and promote transparency and accountability in Vietnam. In March 2009, TI became the official contact of Transparency International (TI) in Vietnam. In this capacity, TT supports the TI Secretariat in Berlin in coordinating the **TI Vietnam Programme "Strengthening Anti-corruption Demands from Society, Public and Private Sectors, 2009-2012"**.

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