

Opening and Closing Keynote Speeches

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

OPENING ADDRESSES

Mr Jorge Sampaio, Former President of Portugal

Bio Note: Born in 1939, got his degree in Law at the Classical University in Lisbon, 1961. A member of the Socialist party since 1978, he was first elected to parliament in 1979 and was reelected four times; he headed the Socialist party from 1989 to 1992. Sampaio was a popular mayor of Lisbon from 1989 to 1995. Elected to the presidency in 1996, he promised to promote stability, rid Portugal of political corruption, aid the disadvantaged, and fight rising unemployment. He was reelected in 2001.

Peter Baader, OLAF Senior Representative, Belgium

Bio Note: Born 05/1957 in Cologne, Germany Studies in the faculties of law of the University of Cologne and the University of Washington, Seattle, USA. From 01/1988 judge at the regional court of Bonn, Germany (Landgericht Bonn). From 08/1990 to 03/1993 lecturer in civil and international private law in an academy for law clerks (Fachhochschule für Rechtspflege NRW). From 02/1998 to 10/2002 legal officer in the Directorates General Research and Information Technologies. From 10/2002 agent in OLAF (Internal Investigations), from 10/2003 Head of Unit for Internal Investigations.

CLOSING ADDRESS

Stuart C. Gilman, Head of Anti-Corruption Unit and the Global Programme against Corruption of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, Austria

Title: *“The Promise of the UN Convention against Corruption: Translating Words into Concrete Policy and Action”*

Abstract: The Secretary General of the United Nations has given the UN Office on Drugs and Crime the responsibility to be the custodian of the new UN Convention against Corruption. In practice, what does this mean? There have been hundreds of voices on every possible topic in anti-corruption and government integrity. They have often been overlapping, often discordant and at times contradictory. The new UN Convention gives the global community the opportunity to move consistently and coherently in efforts to minimize the impact of corruption. The Convention can be the backbone of both the anti-corruption and integrity work that is being done, or it can be ignored and we can continue on a path that could arguably lead to a "tower of Babel." The Global Programme against Corruption (GPAC) is designed to work strategically with governments, multilateral institutions, NGOs and civil society to ensure effective, consistent and coherent technical assistance. This presentation will highlight those efforts and engage participants in a discussion of how GPAC can be more effective.

Bio Note: Stuart C. Gilman is currently the Programme Manager for the United Nations Global Programme Against Corruption and is Head of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime's Anticorruption Unit. In this role he is responsible for effective implementation of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption. His thirty-year career includes positions in universities, government as well as the non-profit sectors. His work has focused on integrity and anticorruption systems in government and the private sector. Dr. Gilman has provided counsel and training for a variety of individuals; from corporate chief executive officers to cabinet secretaries and ministers, from heads of anticorruption agencies to local judges and prosecutors. He has worked in the "trenches" and understands how important integrity systems are to both the public and private sectors.

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