



PRESENTATION OF THE BOOK



Ensuring efficiency and integrity throughout the public procurement cycle is essential to a sound allocation of taxpayers' money. Yet public contracts are plagued by corruption, collusion, favoritism and conflicts of interest. This book addresses these problems from sophisticated, academic, institutional and practical perspectives.

The book's ambition is to shape the public debate in the procurement community by highlighting how corruption implies violations of fundamental rights and undermines the fiduciary relationship between citizens and public institutions. The analysis underlines how corruption may stem from - and yet be resolved - through the exercise of discretion in the public procurement system. Focusing on the effects of public corruption and private collusion on procurement integrity, the book marks the features of misconduct and suggests needed counter-measures. The work also emphasizes that the pursuit of efficiency and integrity in public contracts must be rooted in professional skills, and in ethical regulations and training for public officers. The research reflected in these pieces comes from sources

around the world, and offers an excellent foundation for further development of these topics. Expanding on prior research, this volume builds on a more active transnational academic cooperation and exchanges of ideas on integrity in public contracts for the benefit of citiziens.

INTEGRITY AND EFFICIENCY IN SUSTAINABLE PUBLIC CONTRACTS.

BALANCING CORRUPTION CONCERNS IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT INTERNATIONALLY

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Welcome and introductory remarks

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Keynote Address: Paulo Magina, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development

SECTION I - CORRUPTION AS A VIOLATION OF FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS

Chair: Bernardo G. MATTARELLA, University of Siena

Speaker: Francesco Manganaro, Mediterranean University of Reggio Calabria

Discussant: Michele CORRADINO, National AntiCorruption Authority

SECTION II - CORRUPTION AT THE AWARD PHASE

Chair: Sergio SANTORO, Italian Consiglio di Stato

Speaker: **Alberto Zito**, *National School of Administration (SNA)*Discussant: **Steven L. Schooner**, *George Washington University*

SECTION III - COLLUSION IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT MARKETS

Chair: Daria DE PRETIS, Italian Constitutional Court

Speaker: Gian Luigi Albano, Consip S.p.A. and National School of Administration

Discussant: Francesco De Carolis, Boston University

SECTION IV - CONTRACT AMENDMENTS AND CORRUPTION AT THE EXECUTION PHASE

Chair: Mario Pilade CHITI, University of Florence Speaker: Loredana GIANI, University of L'Aquila

Discussant: Saverio STICCHI DAMIANI, University del Salento

SECTION V - THE NEED FOR PROFESSIONALIZATION IN THE PROCUREMENT MARKET

Chair: **Paolo Lazzara**, *University of "Roma Tre"* Speaker: **Peter MCKEEN**, *University of Virginia*

Discussant: Ilario Sorrentino, National School of Administration (SNA)

Concluding remarks: Sabino CASSESE, Professor emeritus, Scuola Normale Superiore, Pisa

Interpreting from English to Italian and viceversa will be provided

17 dicembre 2014 h. 9.00 SNA Aula Magna Roma, Via dei Robilant, 1 – primo piano