

INTEGRITY IN INTERNATIONAL PERSPECTIVE

In light of the Dutch Presidency of the European Union in the first half of 2016, the Ministry of BZK has initiated various reports as part of an ongoing international dialogue on strengthening the public administration and developing evidence based integrity and anti-corruption policies.

These reports can be accessed at:

<https://www.government.nl/topics/public-administration>

<http://www.integriteitoverheid.nl/international/international/>



Integrity and trust in Europe

Mungiu-Pippidi, A. (2015), '*Public Integrity and Trust in Europe*', European Research Centre for Anti-Corruption and State-Building (ERCAS), Hertie School of Governance, Berlin

The report provides an analysis of the relations between trust and public integrity in EU member states, and EU institutions where data is available. The report explains the wide gap between the perception of corruption and actual experiences with bribery, as measured by international surveys. The results showed that citizens define corruption more broadly as they look at a society's capacity to value merit (hard work and competence) as a source of success instead of (political) connections.

Further the report provides an alternative to data on subjective perceptions of trust and corruption by providing six quantitative indicators that explain corruption control within countries.



Monitoring integrity in the European Union

Lambooy, T., W. van Dooren, and P. Heywood (ed.), '*Prime witnesses? Case studies of staff assessments for monitoring integrity in the European Union*', Ministry of the Interior and Kingdom Relations, the Netherlands.

The report provides a first overview of how central institutions within public administrations of EU member states measure the effectiveness of integrity policies through the use of staff assessments.

It discusses in detail six cases: Belgium, Croatia, Estonia, Hungary, Netherlands and Poland. Additional information is provided on the case of Finland and the United Kingdom. The report also provides a preliminary overview on all EU member states and the European bodies on their use of staff assessments or other monitoring efforts. This report provides experts on integrity management valuable practical insight on strengthening the evidence-base of policies.



Integrity Management in the Public Sector: the Dutch Approach

Huberts, L. and A. Hoekstra (ed), '*Integrity Management in the Public Sector: the Dutch Approach*', BIOS.

In the Netherlands, public integrity was placed on the agenda in the early 1990s. "Integrity Management in the Public Sector: the Dutch Approach" describes how the Dutch integrity system developed and operates from both a national (part I) and an organisational (part II) perspective. The final section of the book (part III) contains academic reflections. The book includes practical insights from the perspective of municipalities, provinces, law enforcement, the Supreme Audit office and many more.

All in all, the book provides insights that might inspire other countries in their own efforts to manage integrity. This book's target audience includes policy-makers, ethics and integrity entities, anticorruption agencies, integrity and compliance officers, as well as NGOs, students, and researchers.