

1 June 2021

Excellency,

Further to my letter dated 19 May 2021 regarding the high-level supporting event on the margins of the Special Session of the General Assembly on Challenges and Measures to Prevent and Combat Corruption and Strengthen International Cooperation, to be held virtually on Thursday, 3 June 2021, from 1:30 – 2:45 pm., I have the honour to circulate herewith the programme of the event.

As provided in the programme, following the moderated discussion among panellists there will be question and answer period (approximately 45 minutes) during which Member States may pose questions to the panellists. Member States and observers who are interested in posing a question to the panelists should indicate so during the event in the chat section of the virtual platform.

In view of time constraints, and to help ensure the dialogue remains interactive, the time limit for posing a question will be no more than two minutes per speaker. I have also invited civil society representatives and other stakeholders to submit questions in writing ahead of the meeting, which may be drawn upon by the moderator, time permitting. Due to limited available resources, the event will be held without interpretation.

For further information on the meeting, your office may contact Ms. Narmin Ahangari, Adviser for Human Right and Humanitarian Affairs at my Office ([narmin.ahangari@un.org](mailto:narmin.ahangari@un.org)).

Please accept, Excellency, the assurances of my highest consideration.



Volkan BOZKIR

All Permanent Representatives and  
Permanent Observers to the United Nations  
New York



## Addressing corruption in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic

3 June 2021, 1:30 – 2:45 pm., Virtual



***High-level supporting event of the President of the General Assembly on the margins  
of the 32<sup>nd</sup> Special Session of the UN General Assembly***

### Programme

**1:30 – 1:35 pm.**      **Opening Remarks by H. E. Mr. Volkan BOZKIR**, President of the  
75th session of the United Nations General Assembly

**1:35 – 2:40 pm.**      **Interactive Panel Discussion:** Addressing corruption in the context  
of the COVID-19 pandemic

*Moderator:*

- [Prof. Jeffrey D. Sachs](#), Director of the Center for Sustainable Development, Columbia University, President of the UN Sustainable Development Solutions Network, and Chair of the Lancet COVID-19 Commission

*Panellists:*

- [Dr. Mariângela Batista Galvão Simão](#), Assistant Director-General, Access to Medicines and Health Products, World Health Organization
- [Ms. Sanda Ojiambo](#), Executive Director & CEO, The United Nations Global Compact
- [Ms. Delia Ferreira Rubio](#), The Chair of Transparency International

*Questions and Answers with Member States, Observers, and other stakeholders*

**2:40 – 2:45 pm.**      **Closing remarks**