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## Editor's note

The *Global Corruption Report 2001* concentrates on events in the period July 2000 to June 2001. It uses Transparency International's definition of corruption as the misuse of entrusted power for private gain. This includes both public and private sector corruption, at petty and grand levels. The *Global Corruption Report 2001* is divided into three main sections.

The first section explores corruption across the world in 12 regional reports. These have been written by independent journalists who are, for the most part, from and based in the region on which they report. Regional reports are not works of investigative journalism, but offer summaries of prominent events relating to corruption and the fight against it in 2000–01. Due to this news-driven method, not all countries in each region are included with equal attention, or in some cases at all. Regional reports also focus on region-wide 'trends' in corruption or anti-corruption activities. A trend is defined as a recent development common to a number of countries and manifest in a series of events or initiatives.

The second section of the book focuses on a number of issues that have been of particular importance to the global fight against corruption in 2000–01. Global issues reports, authored by experts, examine the relationship of these issues to corruption, as well as the extent to which public and private sector anti-corruption efforts may have changed the global environment for politics and business. Global issues in this year's report include party financing, money laundering and the international diamond trade. We have also included an update from the OECD on the implementation of the Anti-Bribery Convention.

The final section of the *Global Corruption Report 2001* turns to the findings of research on corruption. This data and research section presents snapshots of ongoing or recently completed research projects – by international organisations, governments, the private sector, NGOs and academics. It focuses on research that is comparative or has used comparative data.

Transparency International chapters, independent journalists and NGOs from around the world present short contributions throughout the GCR about how corruption affects their countries, their concerns and their daily lives. We believe these add a sense of the challenges – and hope – that characterise the present-day fight against corruption.

## List of acronyms and abbreviations

<b>ADB</b>	Asian Development Bank
<b>APEC</b>	Asian Pacific Economic Cooperation forum
<b>BIS</b>	Bank for International Settlements
<b>BPI</b>	Bribe Payers Index
<b>CIS</b>	Commonwealth of Independent States
<b>CPI</b>	Corruption Perceptions Index
<b>CSO</b>	Civil society organisation
<b>EBRD</b>	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development
<b>ECOWAS</b>	Economic Community of West African States
<b>EU</b>	European Union
<b>FATF</b>	Financial Action Task Force (on Money Laundering)
<b>FDI</b>	Foreign direct investment
<b>G7</b>	Group of seven major industrial democracies (Canada, France, Germany, Italy, Japan, United Kingdom and United States)
<b>GDP</b>	Gross Domestic Product
<b>GNP</b>	Gross National Product
<b>GRECO</b>	Council of Europe Group of States against Corruption
<b>HDI</b>	Human Development Index
<b>HIPC</b>	Heavily Indebted Poor Countries
<b>IDB</b>	Inter-American Development Bank
<b>IMF</b>	International Monetary Fund
<b>Interpol</b>	International Criminal Police Organisation
<b>Mercosur</b>	Mercado Común del Sur (Southern Cone Common Market)
<b>NGO</b>	Non-governmental organisation
<b>OAS</b>	Organisation of American States
<b>OAU</b>	Organisation of African Unity
<b>OECD</b>	Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development
<b>OSCE</b>	Organisation for Security and Cooperation in Europe
<b>SADC</b>	Southern African Development Community
<b>TI</b>	Transparency International
<b>UEMOA</b>	Economic and Monetary Union of West Africa
<b>UN</b>	United Nations

- UNCTAD** United Nations Conference on Trade and Development
- UNDP** United Nations Development Programme
- UNESCO** United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation
- UNICRI** United Nations Interregional Crime and Justice Research Institute
- USAID** United States Agency for International Development
- WBI** World Bank Institute
- WEF** World Economic Forum
- WTO** World Trade Organisation