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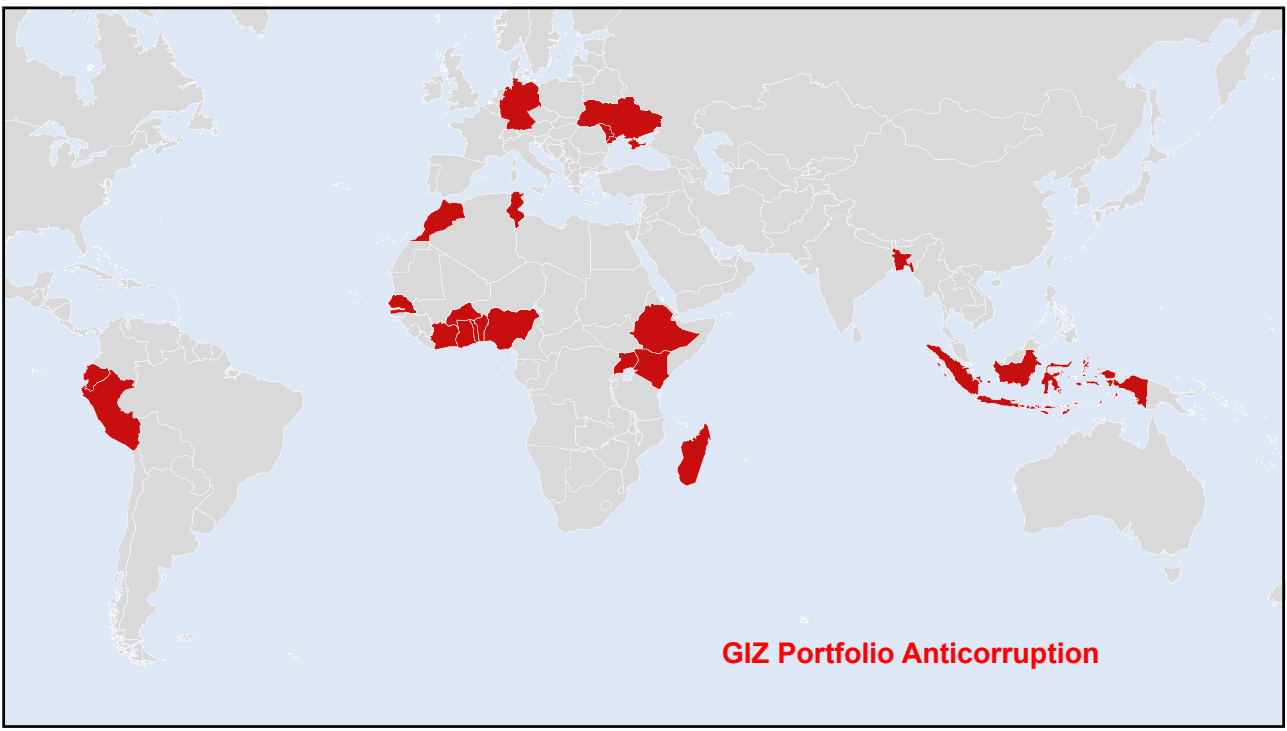


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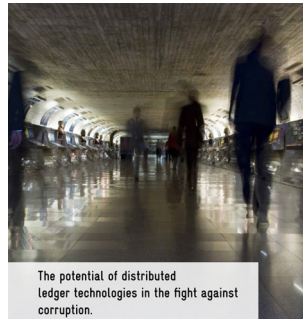
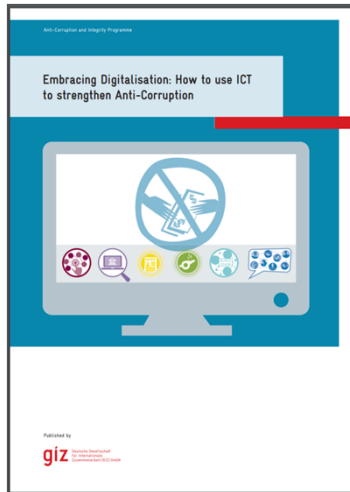


Potentials for Anti-Corruption through ICT

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2. Potentials of ICT for Anti-Corruption



The potential of distributed ledger technologies in the fight against corruption.

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<https://www.giz.de/de/downloads/giz2018-eng ICT-to-strengthen-Anti-Corruption.pdf>

<https://www.giz.de/de/downloads/Blockchain Anticorruption-2020.pdf>

2. E-Government services and digital public services

Key-Anti Corruption Applications:

- Automatisation of public services
- Greater transparency and traceability in governmental operations

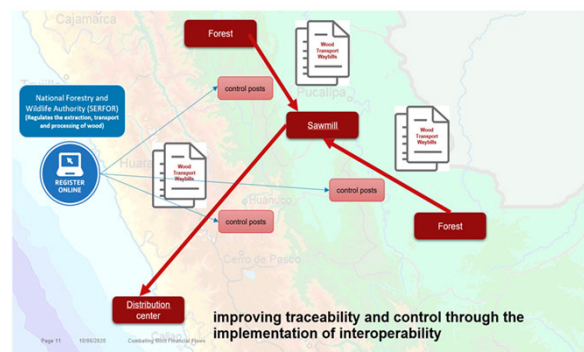
Key Challenges:

- Integrating new systems with existing infrastructure
- Convincing government employees to use the new system
- Ensuring that systems are kept up-to-date
- Ensuring the services provided are the ones people need, want and are able to access

Mechanism type(s):

- Digitalisation of public services
- Improved transparency

Digital Waybills Peru



2. Whistle-blower Platforms / Crowdsourcing platforms

Key Anti-Corruption Applications:

- Reporting of corruption - crowdsourcing platform / petty corruption; whistleblowing platforms / grand corruption
- Increase visibility of corruption

Key Challenges:

- Weighing value of anonymous vs. non-anonymous reports
- Whistle-blower protection (comprehensive whistleblowing legislation)
- Risk of receiving more reports than can be acted upon (backlog)
- Link between identified problem and having the problem acted upon
- Equal and fair access

Mechanism type(s):

- Upward transparency
- Mobilisation



2. Open Data, Freedom of Information and Transparency Platforms

Key-Anti Corruption Applications

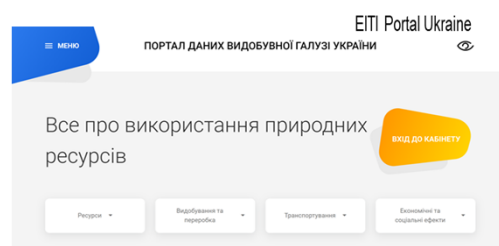
- Provide information on government operations that could expose corrupt behaviour
- Support national / transnational cooperation in the fight against corruption

Key Challenges

- Portals, need respective legal basis
- Portals that rely on the public FOI, need an active audience able to use the data
- Quality of data
- Political will to publish data

Mechanism type(s)

- Mobilisation
- Horizontal transparency
- Downward transparency



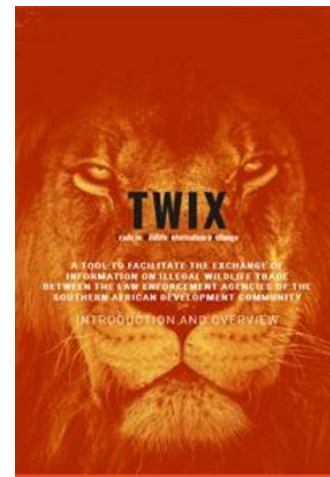
2. TWIX – Trade in Wildlife Information eXchange

The Trade in Wildlife Information eXchange (TWIX) platforms have 3 major components:

- **A centralised website** which holds records on national, regional and international wildlife seizures
- **A mailing list** which allows enforcement officials to communicate, seek assistance and alert one another about relevant enforcement actions
- **Various resources** such as identification guides, training materials and useful directories including listings for animal rescue centres for seized specimen

The Partnership against Poaching and Illegal Wildlife Trade in Africa and Asia, implemented by GIZ, supports the establishment of TWIX platforms in Africa.

- Around **2000 law enforcement officials connected** internationally
- Around **70,000 seizure records** are online on EU-TWIX only
- **8 international investigations** have been triggered in the first three years of AFRICA-TWIX



2. Blockchain and Distributed Ledger Technology (DLT) as an Anti-Corruption Tool

Key Anti-Corruption Applications:

- High level of transparency and accountability in transactions
- Severely reduce opportunities for fraud and deception

Key Challenges:

- Verification of initial data
- Integrating new technology into old systems

Mechanism type(s):

- Donward transparency
- Digitalisation of public services

Blockchain technology simplifies land registration in the South Caucasus

What opportunities do new digital technologies offer for global sustainable development? This and other topics will be discussed next week at the re:publica conference on digital culture.



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=eN0X1PyXAE>

3. Recommendations

- Integrate ICT in a broader anti-corruption framework.
- Legal framework needs to be considered.
- Realistic risk assessment.
- Efficient accountability mechanisms as a prerequisite.
- Support civil society
- Effective strategy for publicising ICT anti-corruption tools.
- Political Will / Culture of Integrity



Thank you for your attention

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