

AGENDA

Workshop:

Beneficial Ownership Transparency - Business Registry, Access, and Information Tracking

Organizer:

AIS, Promoter of Open Data Albania

Project:

This event is organized by AIS as part of the Expanding Windows of Opportunity for Beneficial Ownership Transparency project, financially supported by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) and implemented by the International Republican Institute (IRI).

Workshop Objectives:

- The workshop aims to enhance knowledge on the following key topics:
- The Concept of Beneficial Ownership: Transparency and Business Registers
 - Key Institutions on Promoting the Transparency and Engagement Process
 - Legislation in the Republic of Albania: Progress and Challenges
 - Combating Money Laundering & Corruption through Beneficial Ownership Tracking
 - EU Directives and Models in Member States
 - The Role of Journalists and Civil Society Organizations in Promoting Transparency
 - The Need for Further Improvements in Albanian Legislation and Practice

Participants:

Journalists, Activists, and Representatives from Civil Society

Venue:

AIS Organization Office

Date:

January 25, 2025



09:30 - 09:45	Registration and Opening Remarks
09:45 – 10:20	<p>The Concept of the Beneficial Owner, International Initiatives for Transparency and Engagement. The Fight Against Money Laundering, Corruption, and Malicious Influences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Aranita Brahaj and Sidorela Drici - Legal Experts.
10:20 – 10:50	<p>Legislation in the Republic of Albania and the Need for Reforms</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Lindita Lati Milo - Expert in Economics, Policy Paper Author
11:00 – 12:00	<p>The Role of Journalists and Organizations in Promoting Transparency (Investigations into Money Laundering, Corruption, and Foreign Influences)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Lindita Çela - Executive Director of the "Network for Reporting Organized Crime and Corruption in Albania," Journalist at OCCRP.ORG
12:00 – 13:00	<p>EU Directives and Beneficial Ownership Registers in EU Member States and the Region</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▫ Pajtim Nikolli - Data Analyst
13:00	<i>Lunch</i>
14:00 – 15:00	Discussions and Practical Issues
15:00 – 15:40	<p>Business Registers Created by Civil Society Organizations</p> <p><i>Conclusions and Closing Remarks</i></p>