



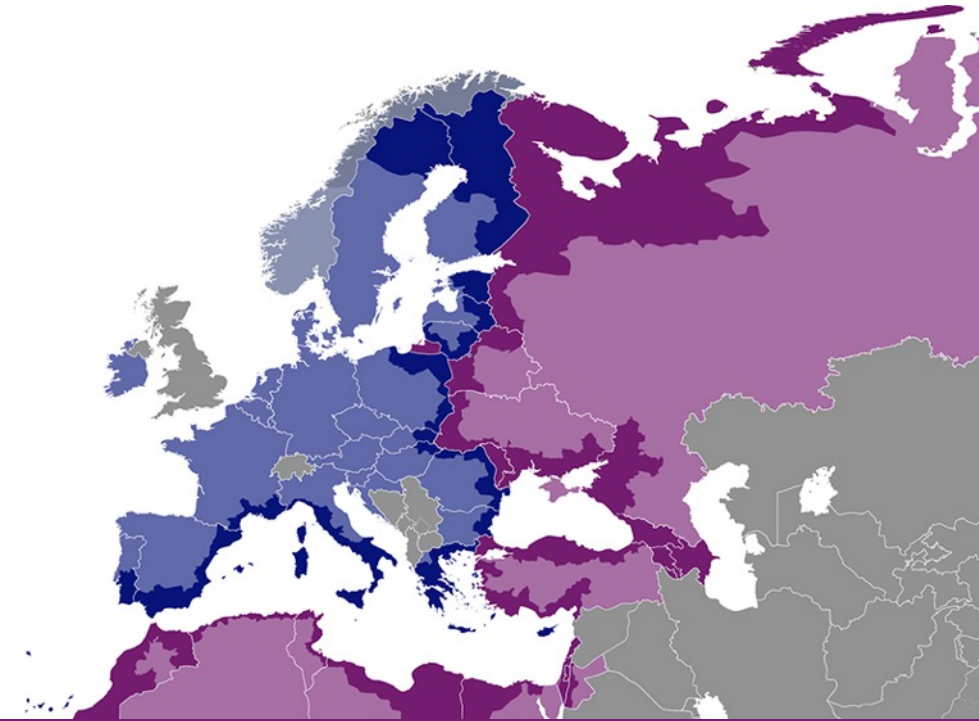
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Anti-fraud measures at national level in CBC Partner Countries

Info-session for ENI CBC / Interreg NEXT programmes

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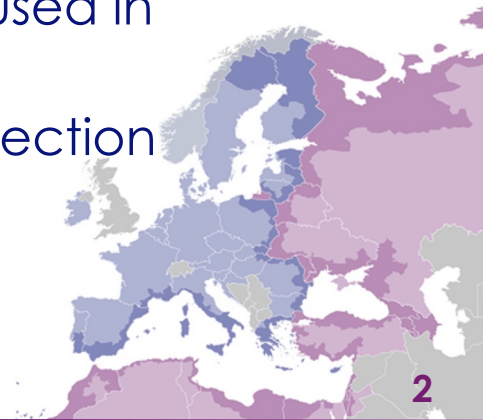
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Starting from an external view... ... we are going to:

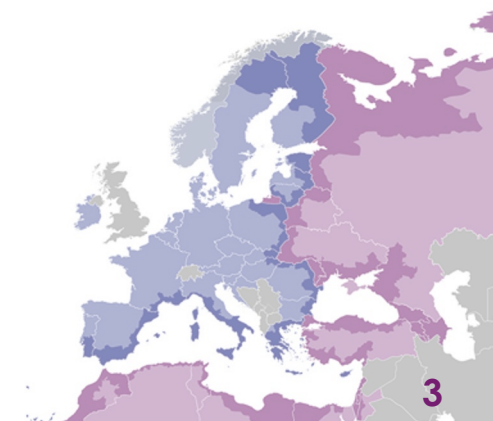
1. See the gaps in the anti-fraud procedures of programmes and partner countries;
2. Discuss how different authorities in participating countries can be involved in the prevention and detection of fraud;
3. Analyze the criteria of fraud which can be used in ENI CBC programmes;
4. Discuss good practices for prevention and detection of fraud.



Key findings

State of play	Description of the anti-fraud procedures	Public availability of anti-fraud documents
Excellent	7	3
Moderate	0	2
Poor	0	2

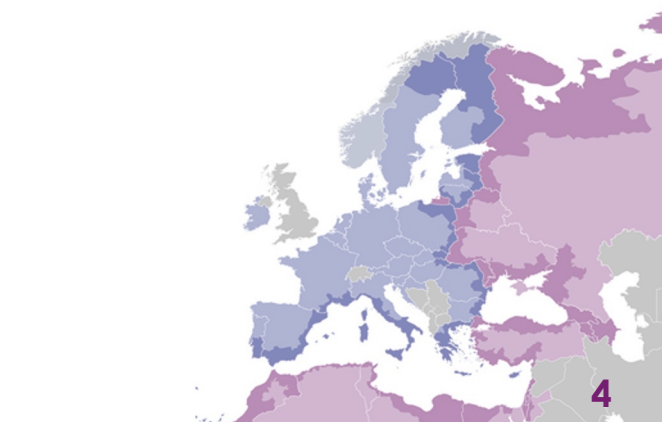
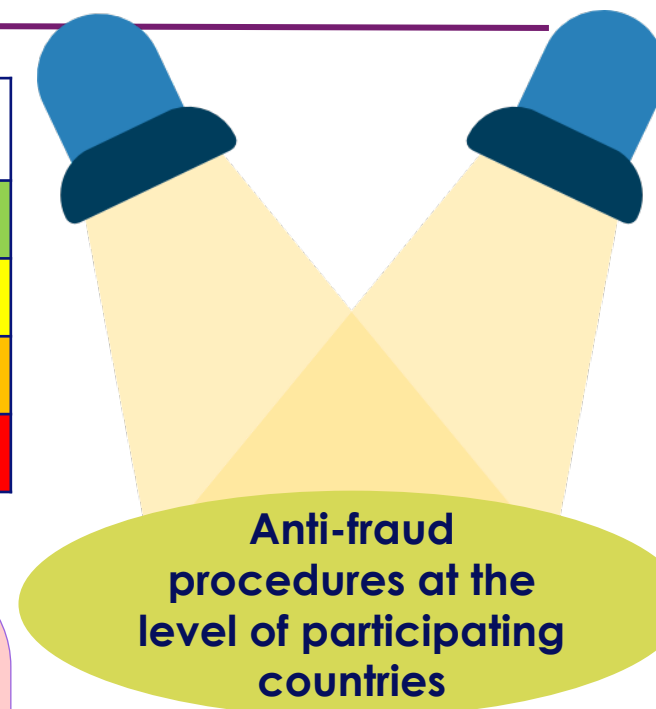
The programmes have **well described general procedures**. However, the relevant documents about anti-fraud policy and actions are often not **published or referenced** on the programme websites



Key findings

State of play	Anti-fraud strategy	Anti-fraud statement	Whistleblowing system	Assessment of fraud risk
Excellent	1	0	0	0
Good	0	0	21	0
Moderate	5	1	2	3
Poor	17	22	0	20

1. Most national authorities **have not posted the anti-fraud statements and strategies on their websites**, although such documents are surely available for internal use.
2. Some countries include **specific anti-fraud provisions in other documents** (e.g., codes of ethics, general national strategies).
3. Most national authorities **have whistleblowing systems** - hotlines, emails or survey forms - that can be used to inform about any violations, including suspicions of fraud.
4. The information about fraud risk assessment conducted **is available only for few countries**.





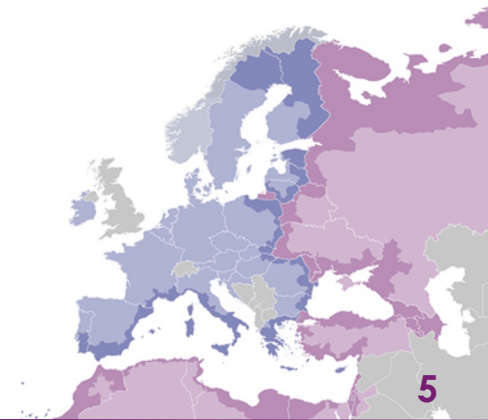
National Authority

Control Contact Point

OLAF counterpart

Members of GoA

Other bodies



Information

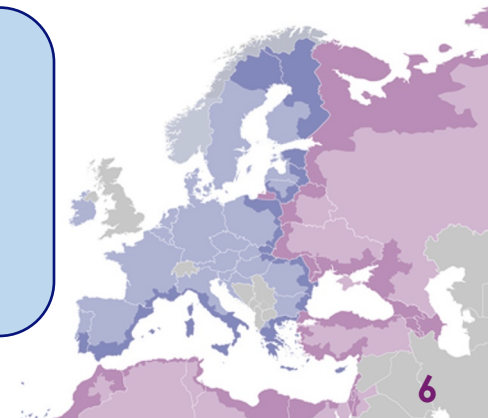
The relevant information about fraud prevention measures (laws, programme documents, factsheets, information about trainings and training materials, etc) shall be published on the website of the NA.

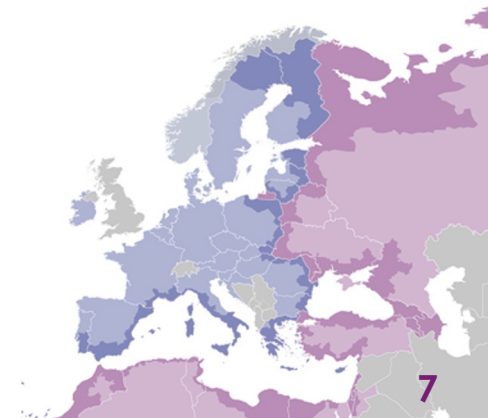
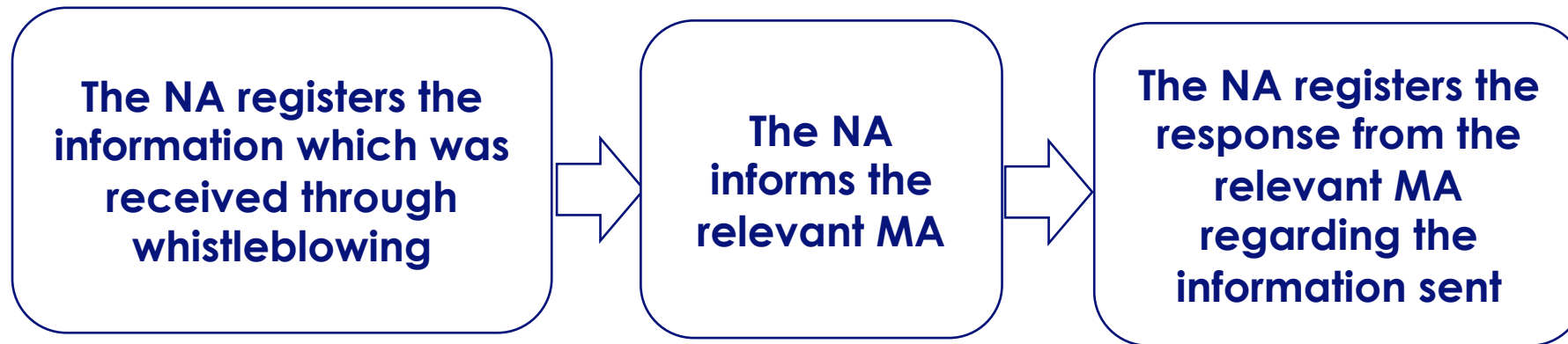
Capacity building

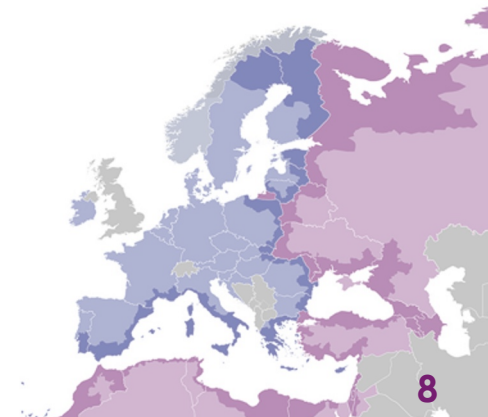
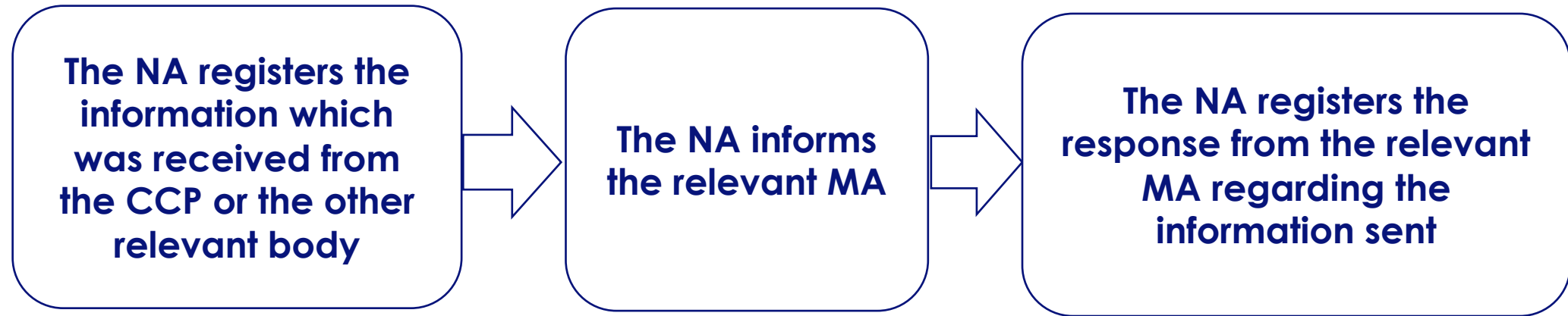
Capacity building in case of fraud prevention can be developed in two major ways:
by developing training events for staff of all national institutions concerned with programmes' implementation;
via the organisation of the trainings for beneficiaries and auditors of approved projects, before projects start and during their implementation.

Support

The NA shall provide support to the MA in matters relating to suspected fraud and shall help the MA to contact relevant authorities at country level, if necessary







Fraud indicators: main groups

Corruption and kickbacks

Collusive bidding

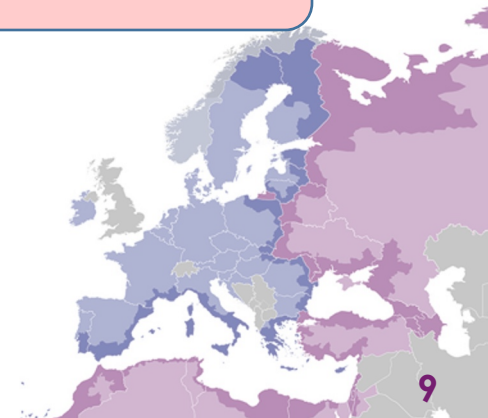
Consulting services



Undisclosed conflict of interest

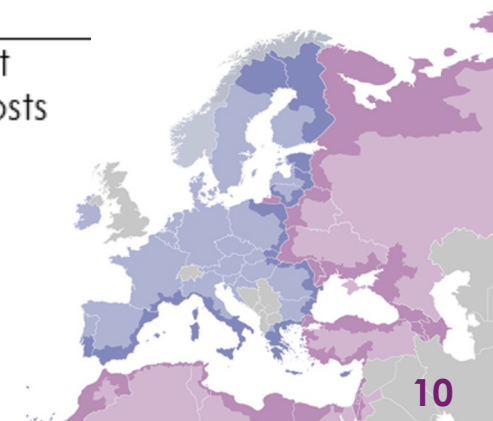
Unjustified single source award

Cost mischarging



Digging dipper: an example

Group of indicators	Indicators	Applicability to budget categories (red flag)
Corruption and kickbacks	Unexplained favourable treatment of a contractor by a contracting employee over a period.	Procurement
	Close socialization between a contracting employee and service or product provider.	
	Unexplained or sudden increase in wealth by the contracting employee.	
	Undocumented or frequent changes to contracts increasing the value of the contract.	
	Contracting employee declines promotion to a non-procurement position.	
	Contracting employee fails to file or complete conflict of interest declaration.	
	Employee never taking holiday.	Procurement or/and staff costs



Anti-fraud Knowledge and Resource Center

https://ec.europa.eu/antifraud-knowledge-centre/index_en



**Video
modules**



**Library of
Good
practices
and Cases
studies**



**Useful
tools**



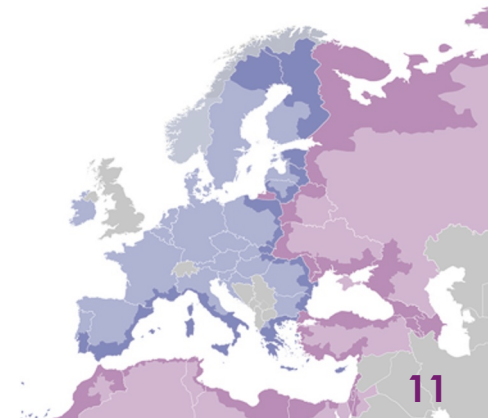
**Definitions
& glossary**



**Guidance &
Legislation**



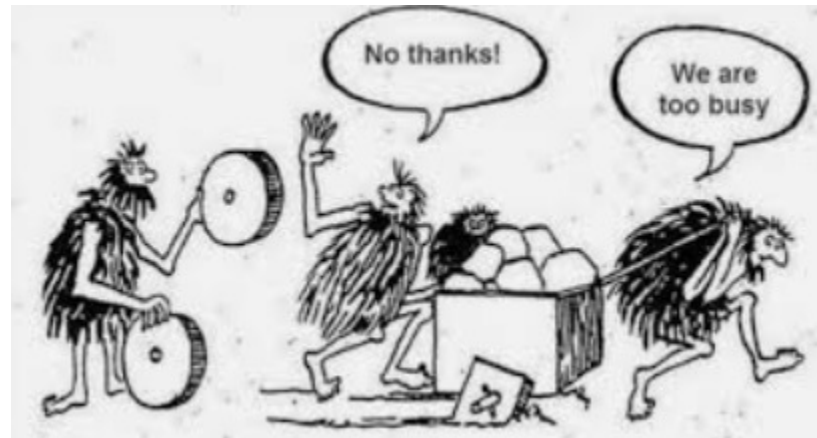
Tests



[Guidelines on National Anti-Fraud Strategies](#)

[Guidelines for national anti-fraud strategies for European Structural and Investment Funds \(ESIF\)](#)

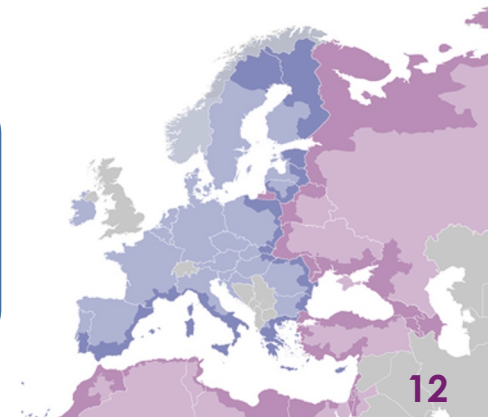
[Fraud in public procurement](#)



[Information Note on Fraud Indicators for ERDF, ESF and CF](#)

[Identifying conflicts of interests in public procurement procedures for structural actions: A practical guide for managers](#)

[Fraud Risk Assessment and Effective and Proportionate Anti-Fraud Measures](#)

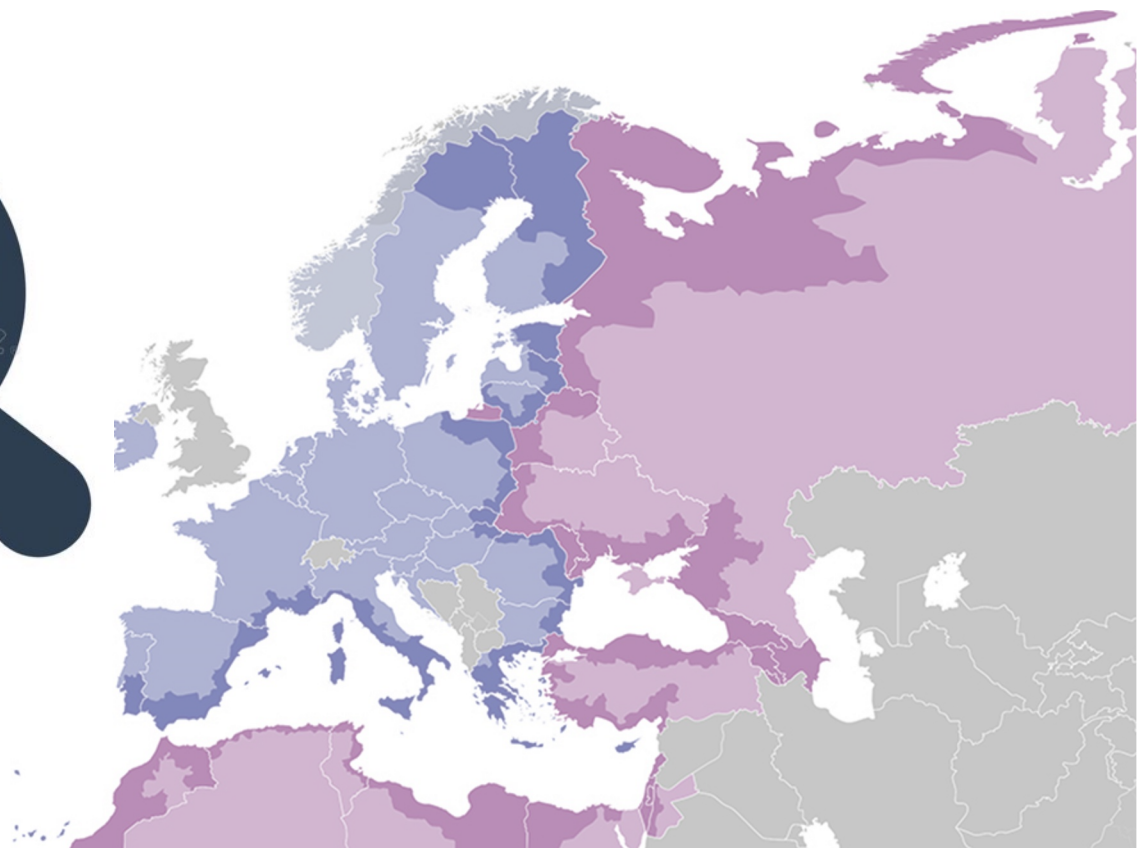




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Let's talk now about anti-fraud measures at national level...



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