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SPOTLIGHT

The vexing issue of the revolving door - what does the latest evidence tell us, where could future research get us?

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In a 2 part blog series Dieter Zinnbauer looks at the most recent literature on the revolving door phenomenon - members of government or employees in the public sector moving in and out of jobs with private sector entities. This phenomenon has been for quite some times fuelling the growing public suspicions that economic and political elites collude against the public interest, raising questions about the appropriateness of such practices.

So how do scholars research the revolving door phenomenon? The first blog post profiles some of the main arguments in favour and against the practice of revolving door and how they are substantiated by the latest empirical studies, finding that downside risks outweigh upside benefits. The second blog post focuses on the research approaches and data that are being used, concluding with some thoughts on promising new data sources and the need for a research methodology relevant for practical policy purposes.

RESEARCH MARKETPLACE

THE ACRN RESEARCH PAPER COMPETITION
Deadline: 9 November 2014.
The Anti-Corruption Research Network (ACRN) invites submissions from young researchers for its annual anti-corruption research paper competition. This year's contest will focus on the theme of cross border flows of the proceeds of corruption, as part of Transparency International's "Unmask the Corrupt" initiative.
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CONFERENCE: Transparency, Governance and Innovation: Opportunities and/or threats towards sustainable development?
10 - 12 December 2014. Beirut, Lebanon.
The Fourth International Conference of the Faculty of Business Administration of the Université Antonine will present, discuss and analyse the implementation of a sustainable development strategy that adheres and respects the three concepts that are inter- linked: transparency, governance and innovation.
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CALL FOR PAPERS: 4th Global Conference on Transparency Research
Deadline: 15 February 2015
The Conference aims to analyse and discuss the reach and impact of the logic of transparency and openness: policies on access to information held by public entities, transparency relationships between organizations, transparency relationships between governments, private and non-profit entities and citizens.
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OTHER MARKETPLACE ITEMS

CONFERENCE: 21st Annual Research Conference of the American University in Cairo - MENA Region: Post-2015 Development Agenda (16-18 March 2015)

ANTI-CORRUPTION RESEARCH

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ON THE INTERPRETATION OF BRIBERY IN A LABORATORY CORUPTION GAME: MORAL FRAMES AND SOCIAL NORMS
Banerjee, *Economics Working Paper* (2014)

Banerjee sheds light on a fundamental discussion among experimentalists: what role do framing effects play in corruption experiments and are they successful in triggering the intended effects?
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RETHINKING THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION AGENDA: CIVIL SOCIETY, HUMAN RIGHTS AND DEMOCRACY
John M. Ackerman,American University International Law Review (2014)

Ackerman attempts to build a new and workable definition

CALL FOR PAPERS: Conference on Economic Development in Africa (Deadline: 31 October 2014)

CALL FOR PAPERS: 2015 Join Session of Workshops of the European Consortium for Political Research (ECPR)(Deadline: 1 December 2014)

FEATURED CURRICULUM

COURSE SYLLABUS: Global Mechanisms of Accountability
The course, developed by Dr. Rajdeep Pakanati at Jindal Global University, India, looks first at how accountability has emerged as a central agenda, before moving on to assess the types of accountability and look at the various indices developed to measure transparency and accountability.
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NEWS FROM ANTICORRP

ANTICORRP is a research project between 21 research groups in 16 EU countries funded by the European Commission's 7th Framework Program. Its central objective it is to investigate factors that promote or hinder the development of effective anti-corruption policies.
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of accountability and reviews four different categories of pro-accountability reform.
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HOW BUSINESS COMMUNITY INSTITUTIONS CAN HELP FIGHT CORRUPTION
A. Dixit, *World Bank Policy Research Paper*(2014)

Dixit considers the possibility of collective action by the business community to counter corruption in the award of government licenses and contracts.
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LEGITIMACY ISSUES AND MULTI-STAKEHOLDER CODES OF CONDUCT
V. Mele & D. H. Schepers (2013)

All stakeholders have strategic objectives when joining voluntary codes of conduct. What does this means for the legitimacy of such codes? Mele and Schepers introduce a new concept: networked legitimacy, which refers to the mutual interaction between the stakeholders involved.
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LATEST PUBLICATIONS

Volume 2 of the annual ANTICORRP Anticorruption Policy Report is out! *The Anticorruption Frontline*explores why, despite increased global attention on the problem of corruption and a rise in corruption-fighting instruments, we have seen disappointing results in controlling corruption. It also highlights research on public procurement processes which has led to new objective indicators of corruption.

Nicholas Charron, Lewis Dijkstra, & Victor Lapuente from the Quality of Government Institute at the University of Gothenburg published a new article: "Mapping the Regional Divide in Europe: A Measure for Assessing Quality of Government in 206 European Regions".

Bo Rothstein (Quality of Government) and Davide Torsello (University of Bergamo) published the article"Bribery in Preindustrial Cultures: Understanding the Universalism-Particularism Puzzle".

EVENTS

ANTICORRP held a panel discussion on anti-corruption research at the 2014 meeting of the American Political Science Association with Alina Mungiu-Pippidi, Bruce Wilson, Daniel Buquet, Rafael Piñeiro and Jung-Song You. Read more

Mihály Fazekas and István János Tóth (Corvinus University of Budapest) were invited by World Bank researchers to present their research in developing three new indicators to measure institutionalised grand corruption in public procurement. Read more

INVESTIGATING THE EFFICIENCY OF THE MOROCCAN ANTI-CORRUPTION CAMPAIGN

PREVENTING CORRUPTION BY ERADICATING ACADEMIC CORRUPTION

THE ROLE OF CIVIL SOCIETY IN ANTI-CORRUPTION: THE STORY OF UKRAINE

HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN SOUTH ASIA: ISSUES OF CORRUPTION AND HUMAN RIGHTS
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ANTI-CORRUPTION HELPDESK ANSWERS

The Anti-Corruption Helpdesk is an on-demand research service provided by Transparency International.

THE ROLE OF TECHNOLOGY IN REDUCING CORRUPTION IN PUBLIC PROCUREMENT

LITERATURE REVIEW ON CORRUPTION RISKS IN THE FORESTRY SECTOR IN COMIFAC COUNTRIES

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS, ASSETS AND LIABILITIES: OVERSIGHT MECHANISMS, DISCLOSURE POLICY AND SANCTIONS