Office of Anticorruption and Integrity



The Integrity Learning Series

The Integrity Learning Series: Anticorruption and Integrity Training for Cambodian Executing and Implementing Agencies

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Overview

Introduction Integrity risks impacts ADB Integrity Policy Framework Conducting Integrity Due Diligence and Sanctions screening ABD Debarments and temporary suspensions Red flags and case study Conclusion **Questions and Answers**



Objectives



Increase awareness of potential integrity risks and remedial actions



Refresh your knowledge of ADB's Integrity framework



Improve skills in corruption and integrity risk detection, risk assessment, and prevention

Strategy 2030

Strengthening governance and institutional capacity

ADB will support governments efforts to eradicate corruption

ADB will promote effective, timely, and corruption free delivery of public services

ADB will implement **anticorruption measures** in all ADB projects and programs



Integrity is Everybody's Business



Link to video: Impacts of Development Bank Sanctions (youtube.com)



Integrity Risks Impacts





Why integrity matters?



Corruption is the single greatest obstacle to economic and social development around the world. *UNODC*, 2015



CONSEQUENCES ON PROJECTS

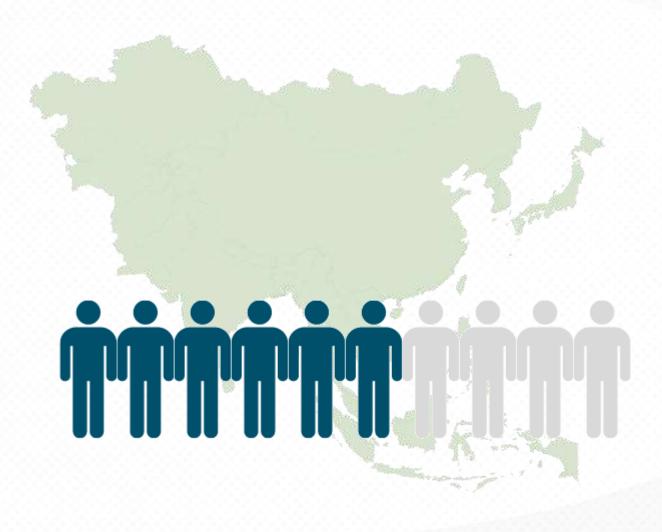


Global Corruption Barometer (2020) - Asia

"1 out of 5 people who used public services in the previous 12 months paid a bribe."



Global Corruption Barometer (2020) - Asia



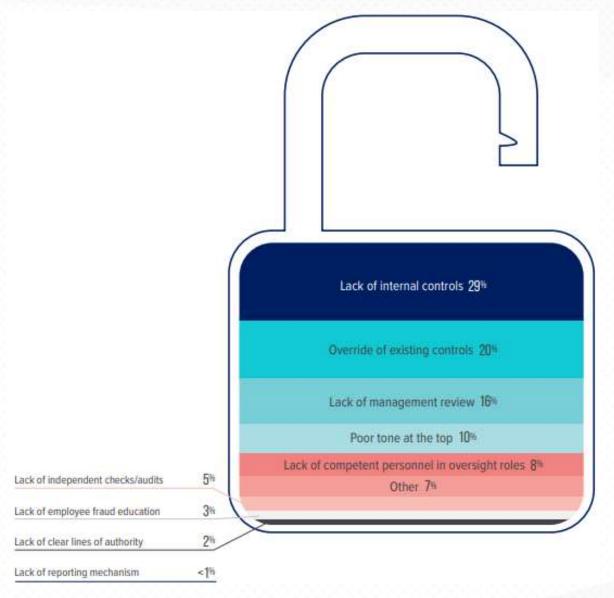
62% of ordinary people think they can make a difference in the fight against corruption

Probability and Likelihood



Association of Certified Fraud Examiners: Report to the Nations 2022





Primary internal control weaknesses contributing to corruption and fraud

Association of Certified Fraud Examiners: Report to the Nations 2022



ADB Integrity Policy Framework



Integrity Policy Framework



Promoting efficient, effective, accountable, and transparent public administration including good governance and capacity building



Supporting anticorruption efforts in the region through quality dialogue with the DMCs



Ensuring that ADB projects and staff adhere to the highest ethical standards



ADB defines corruption as the abuse of public or private office for personal gain



ADB's Anticorruption Framework



Policy and Guidelines



Operational Instructions



Administrative Orders





Applies to executing and implementing agencies, contractors, consultants, suppliers, ADB staff, and anyone connected to an ADB-financed, administered, or supported activity.



INTEGRITY DUE DILIGENCE

Gathering of independent information to gain an understanding of integrity and reputational risks associated with a third party.

Identify ⇒ **Assess** ⇒ **Manage these integrity risks**











Beneficial ownership

Financial background and track record

Factors in Conducting Due Diligence

Competency of third party

Public Records Resources: History of Corruption and Adverse News

Reputation: Commercial References

Approach to Ethics and Compliance



Conducting Due Diligence: Sanctions checks



www.sanctions.adb.org

Sanctions List

The following page lists the entities temporarily suspended and debarred by the Asian Development Bank (ADB), and those cross debarred by ADB in accordance with the Agreement for Mutual Enforcement of Debarment Decisions with other Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs). These entities are not eligible to participate in ADB-financed, -administered, or -supported activities.

Published Sanctions List

(No Login Required)

What you will see in the list:

- Sanctions violation while ineligible
- Second and subsequent violations
- Debarred entities (firms and individuals) who are uncontactable
- Cross debarred entities
- Subset of the complete list

VIEW PUBLISHED SANCTIONS LIST

Complete Sanctions List

(For authorized users only*)

What you will see in the list:

- Published Sanctions List
- First violations
- Temporary suspension

This is a secure application operated by ADB for its official business. Only those given access to the application can access the list.

VIEW COMPLETE SANCTIONS LIST





Requesting Access

Sanctions List

The following page lists the entities sanctioned by the Asian Development Bank (ADB) and also those cross-debarred by ADB from other Multilateral Development Banks (MDBs). These entities are not eligible to participate in ADB-financed, -administered, or - supported activities for violating the specified Anticorruption Policy.

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Are you a registered user?

LOGIN

Are you a qualified (non-ADB staff) user who needs access to the complete sanctions list?

SIGN-UP

Qualified users

- Officially involved in an ADB-financed, -administered or -supported activity (e.g. Project Director, Deputy Project Director)
- Favorably endorsed by ADB Project Officer

If you have problems submitting the online application, please download the Application Form, complete it and email to integrity@adb.org

Sign up here

Manual form available



Requesting Access

Your Name *			
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name
User Name / Password *			
	User Name	Password	Confirm Password
Designation * (i.e. Deputy Secretary / Proj Officer)			
Organization / Agency * (i.e. name of Organization, Ministry, Employer, etc)			
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Apply for access to Asian Development Bank full sanctions list:

Make sure you fill in the name of an **ADB** project officer and email address who can verify your involvement in the project

The information will be granted without prejudice to the privileges and immunities conferred on ADB and its officers and



Search Functionality

Complete Sanctions List

INDIVIDUALS

Latest Update

Search: A2Z

TIP: Use the * for better search results. Type *example* to list all entities containing the text 'example' anywhere in the line.

Sanction Type

Cross-debarred Entities



Category:

View by:

Filter by:

FIRMS

Name

Search names using the search bar

Cross Debarment Effectivity

ALL ENTRIES



Avoid including common terms when searching

Nationality



Example: Use "A2Z" when searching for A2Z Waste Management



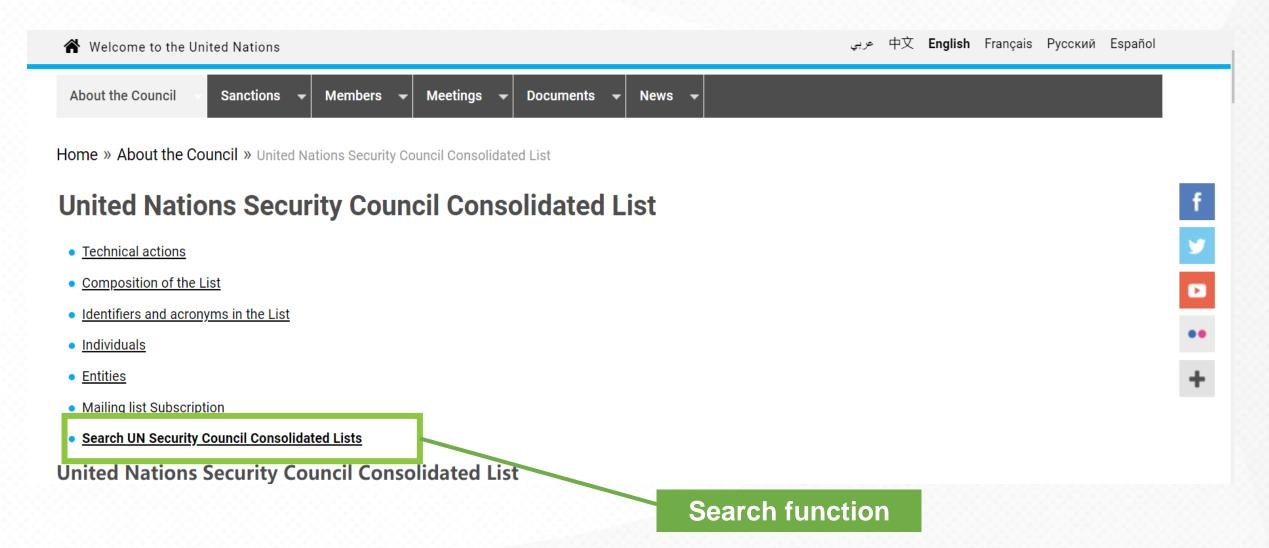
Remove leading terms such as "M/S, or M/S." from company names





Sanctions Obligations

United Nations Security Council Sanctions





Executing agencies (EAs) are responsible for sanctions screening

Procurement of Goods and Works - Stages

Prequalification

Technical BER

Financial BER

Contract Award Withdrawal Applications

Contract Variations/ Modifications

Procurement of Consulting Services

Shortlisting

Technical Proposals

Financial Proposals

Contract Award

Withdrawal Applications

Contract Variations/ Modifications



ABD Debarments and temporary suspensions





Integrity Violations













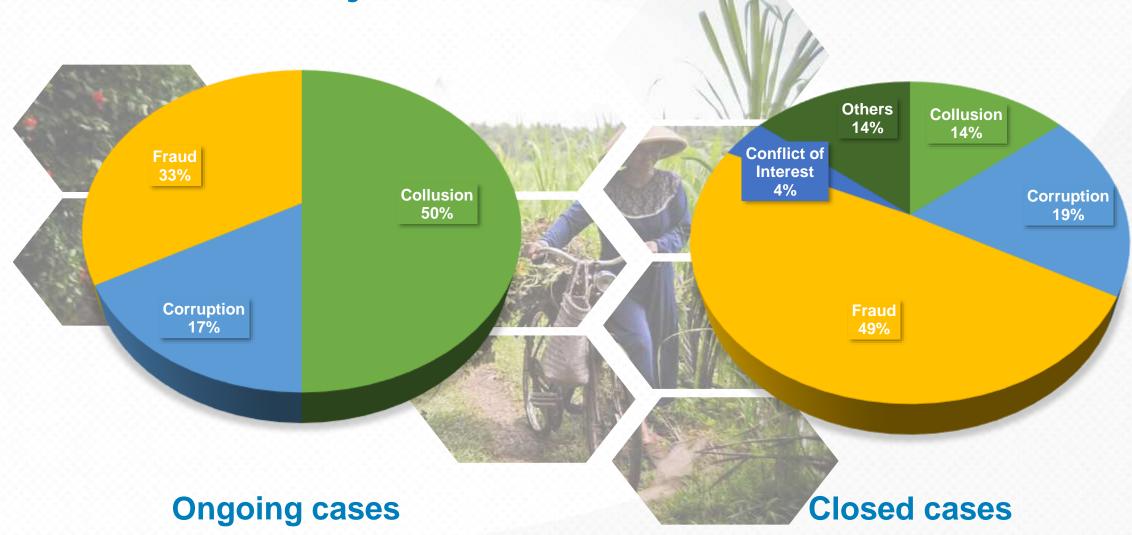








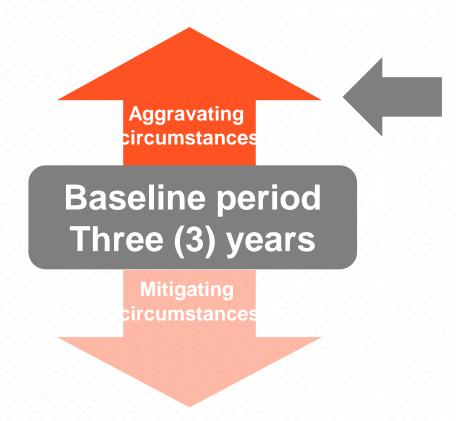
Cambodia Projects







Remedial Actions



Debarment

Temporary Suspension

Reprimand

Caution

Impact while under sanction

Current contracts



Contract variations



Re Instatement



Future tenders



MAY CONTINUE OAI APPROVAL

NOT AUTOMATIC NOT PERMITTED















Reinstatement is not automatic





OAI assesses the merits of reinstating



OAI informs entity of decision



Sanctions Violation

Participation in ADB-related activities while debarred, whether before or after the minimum debarment ends, may result in a sanctions violation.

Sanctions violation is an integrity violation and may result in the extension of debarment.



Project Implementation Processes

Procurement

Bidding
Prequalification

Prequalification; bidding documents preparation; and bid advertisement, submission, and opening

Bid evaluation

Assessment of bidders' compliance with bidding requirements, and preparation and approval of evaluation report

Contract award

Post-bid evaluation activities until contract is awarded and signed

Contract & Asset Management

Contract administration

The management of the day-to-day practicalities and administrative requirements under the contract

Output monitoring

Engagement with/supervision of contractors, consultants, and suppliers in relation to project outputs

Asset control

Safeguarding and maintenance of project assets including asset inventory

Financial Management

- Expenditure management
 Approval and processing of payments for project expenditures
- Financial reporting
 Project accounting and auditing

These sub-processes reflect those assessed by OAI and do not necessarily reflect all sub-processes that exist within each process.



Red Flag Indicators



Three firms have discussed to bid for an executing agency-administrated procurement opportunity. They have fairly amongst themselves decided to adjust the prices to ensure that one of the firms is awarded the project and the remaining two agree will cooperate for future biddings.



A bidding submission included bidder's experience which looks unreasonably large in comparison to the nature of works and contracted period. It appears that one digit was added to the contracted price in the supporting documents. Notes were attached in a local language. A photocopy was submitted as part of the bid document. In the photocopy, the numbering was not aligned in a straight line.



Submitted bid included a set of photocopied bidder's invoices as supporting their experience. No official receipt, certification of works completion or other documents issued by the client were submitted.



Red Flag – Other Examples



- Insufficient on-site monitoring and supervision of contracts
- Poor quality of works, services and goods
- Weak enforcement of professional standards
- Lack of required equipment and qualified personnel
- Contracts exceed original contract amount
- Deviation from construction design or Terms of Reference
- Submission of irregular interim and final performance certificates
- Submission of irregular contract variations (exaggerated contract amount, scope of contract)
- Manipulation of Bill of Quantities



Mitigating Measures: Vulnerabilities in Bid Evaluation

The executing/implementing agency should hold pre-bid meetings for **high-value**, **high-risk**, or **complex** procurement, where bidding requirements are carefully discussed with bidders. These **requirements must be understood** by the bidders and **consistently applied** by the BEC.

BEC/CSC members should undergo **hands-on training** on all aspects of bid evaluation, especially due diligence, before embarking on new bid evaluation assignments. Support from ADB regional departments, supervision consultants, and engaged procurement experts may be required.

The BEC/CSC should **check accuracy and completeness of information** in BERs/Submissions before submitting these for ADB's no-objection. For transparency, decisions made and justifications for deviations should be properly documented in the BERs/Submissions.





Conflict of Interest (COI)

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Red Flags



An expert, who had a very long and productive working relationship with the executing agency (i.e., representing the executing agency in many situations, both on a retainer and volunteer basis), assisted in the request for proposal preparation for a consultant selection. The expert was one of the nominated experts of the winning consulting firm in the selection.



A director of a consulting firm who was hired to assist in the bidding activities (including bidding documents preparation) was a key staff member of the winning firm in that bidding.

Case study: The firm that prepared the project is in a COI situation



- A firm would like to submit an EOI for an EA-administered consulting assignment for detailed engineering design and project readiness support consulting services.
- The firm was part of a JV that ADB previously hired under a TA to develop and prepare the proposed project. Services rendered included preparing a feasibility level design for each subproject, and to prepare the TOR for the design and implementation consultants for the ensuing project.
- The consultant's key deliverables for the (new) consulting assignment include, among others, a review of available studies and preparing a concept design that improves, upgrades, and fills gaps in the <u>existing</u> <u>feasibility studies</u>.

Case study: The firm that prepared the project is in a COI situation

Issue: Whether or not there is COI considering the firm's involvement in preparing the project



Finding: There is COI

- Consultant was tasked under the new contract's TOR to review, assess, and evaluate the feasibility study prepared under a related TA
- The firm (if hired) will verify, update, improve, upgrade, and fill the gap in it's JV's work/output produced under the previous TA
- Firm is placed in a position where its interests could improperly influence its performance of its contractual obligations







Bidder's Qualification

Form ELI – 1: Bidder's Information	Sheet
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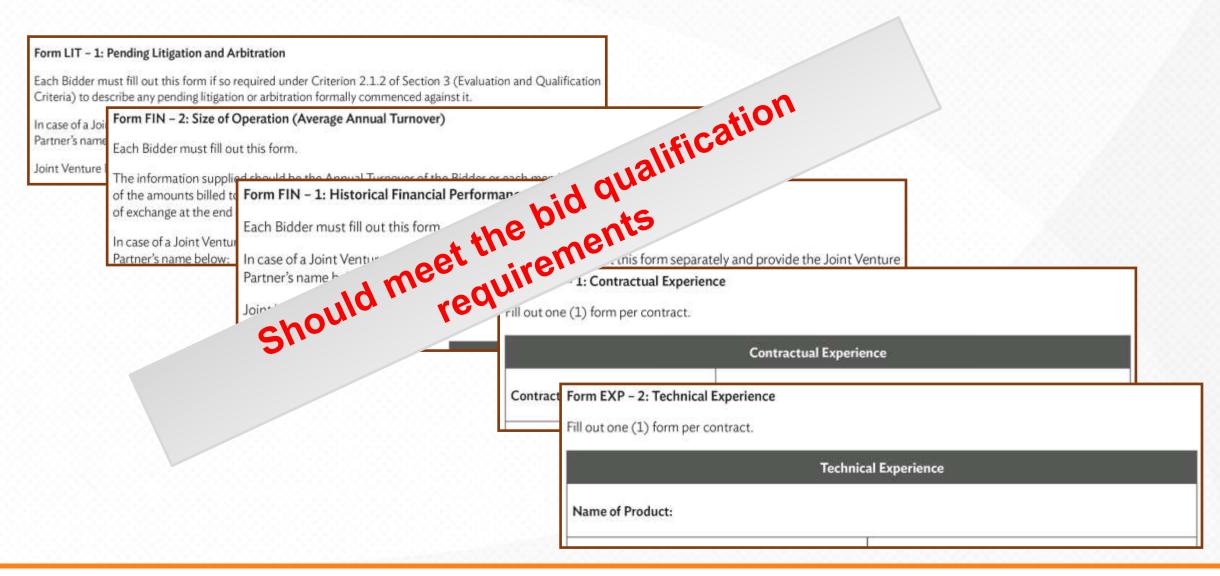
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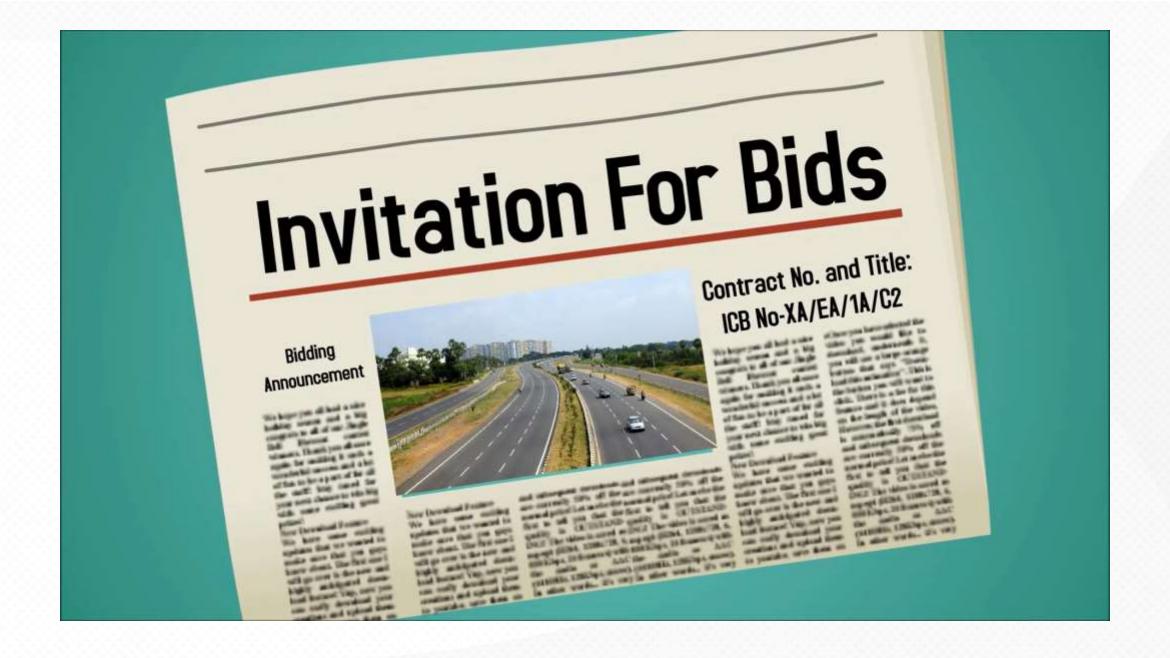
Translation of certificates or supporting documents: bidding documents not clear from whom attestation should be obtained from.



Evaluation and Qualification Criteria











Bill of Quantities/List of Goods & Related Services

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for one, any combination, or all of the lots. Lots shall not be further subdivided for the purpose of bidding."

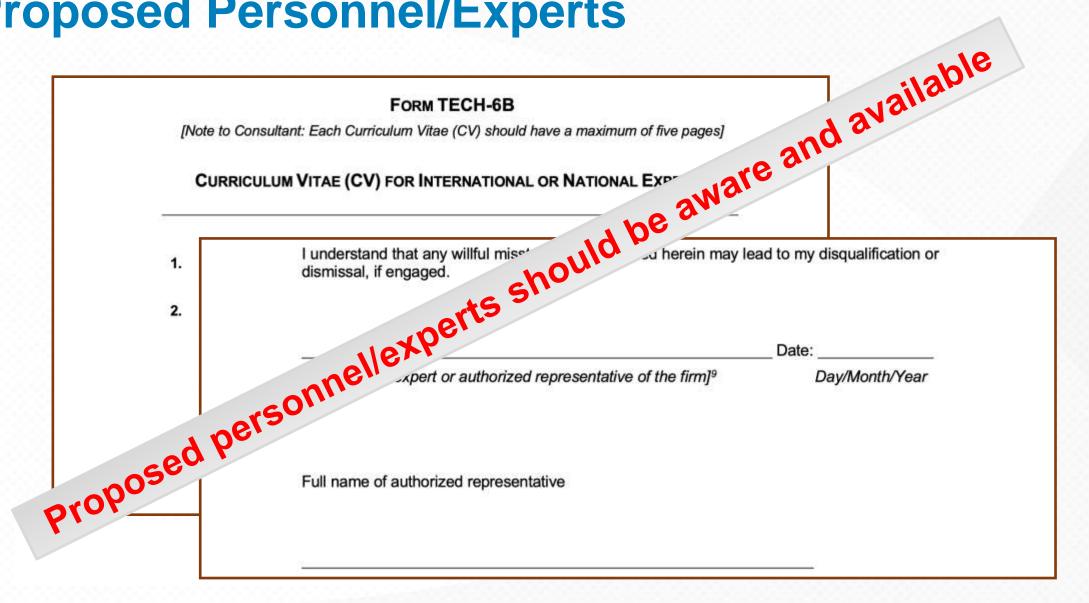


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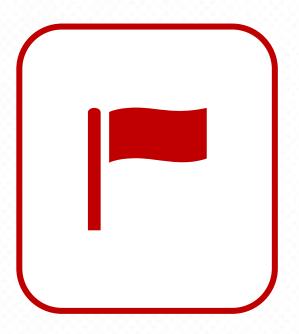


In several bids over procurement of several packages, 70%-80% of unit price items in the bill of qualities were identical i.e., exactly the same unit price

Proposed Personnel/Experts







Be alert to the red flags of integrity risks.





Recap



Link to video: Protecting Development Projects from Corruption (youtube.com)



Recap



Report integrity violations to OAI



Know your partner



Identify and mitigate risks, support your business partners to mitigate risks



EAs/IAs to (i) sign up for access to ADB's complete Sanctions List and (ii) do the sanctions checks





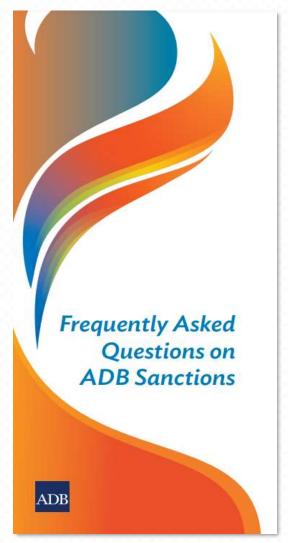
Integrity Risk Management is everyone's responsibility.



Do not assume that someone else is doing it.



Resources: For EAs/IAs



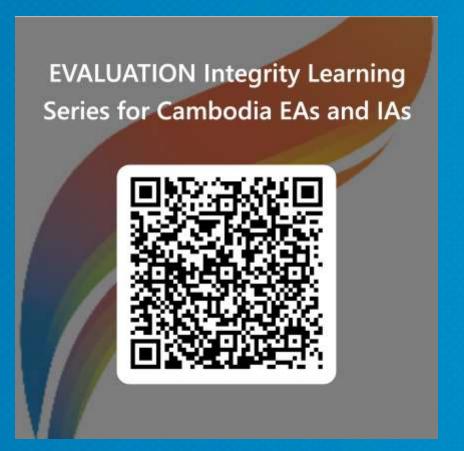




adb.org/publications/faqs-adb-sanctions



Evaluation



Your feedback would help the Office of Anticorruption and Integrity in providing knowledge products and services relevant to you.

Answers will be kept confidential and data will only be assessed in the aggregate.

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