

Introduction to OECD business integrity standards

**Session 1 -The Landscape of International Anti-Corruption and Business
Integrity Standards**

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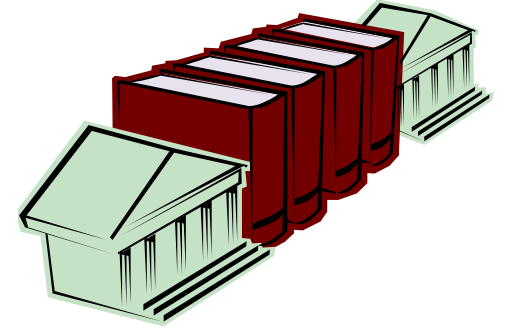




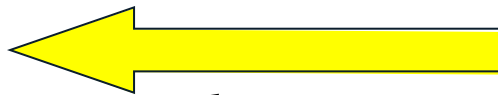
The OECD Anti-Bribery Convention

It is a crime in each of the 46 State Parties

for companies to *give, offer or promise* bribes....



...to **foreign public officials** in any country...



...to gain advantages in **international business transactions.**

Includes:

- Art 1 on the Offence of Bribery of Foreign Public Officials
- Art 2: Responsibility of Legal Persons
- Art 3: Sanctions
- Art 4: Jurisdiction
- Art 5: Enforcement



Impact of the Convention - examples

- **UK Bribery Act (2010): jurisdiction**

offence of ‘failure of commercial organisations to prevent bribery’ – applies to all companies irrespective whether the offence takes place in the UK (if company incorporated or has part of business in the UK)

- **French Sapin Law II (2016): compliance**

- requires companies beyond 500 employees to put in place anti-corruption compliance programmes

- this obligation is monitored by the AFA, which applies administrative sanctions to companies that fail to do so.

- **Japan (2023): sanctions**

- increased the level of sanctions for both individuals and corporate liability (up to ten years imprisonment and 1 Billion JPY)



Keeping up with anti-corruption developments: OECD Recommendations

- **Anti-Bribery Recommendation (2021)**

Cutting-edge topics (selected)

- *Protection of Reporting Persons*
- *Non-trial resolutions (dispute settlements)*
- *Collective action*
- *Incentives for Compliance*

- **Recommendation on Public Integrity**

- **Recommendation on Transparency and Integrity in Lobbying**

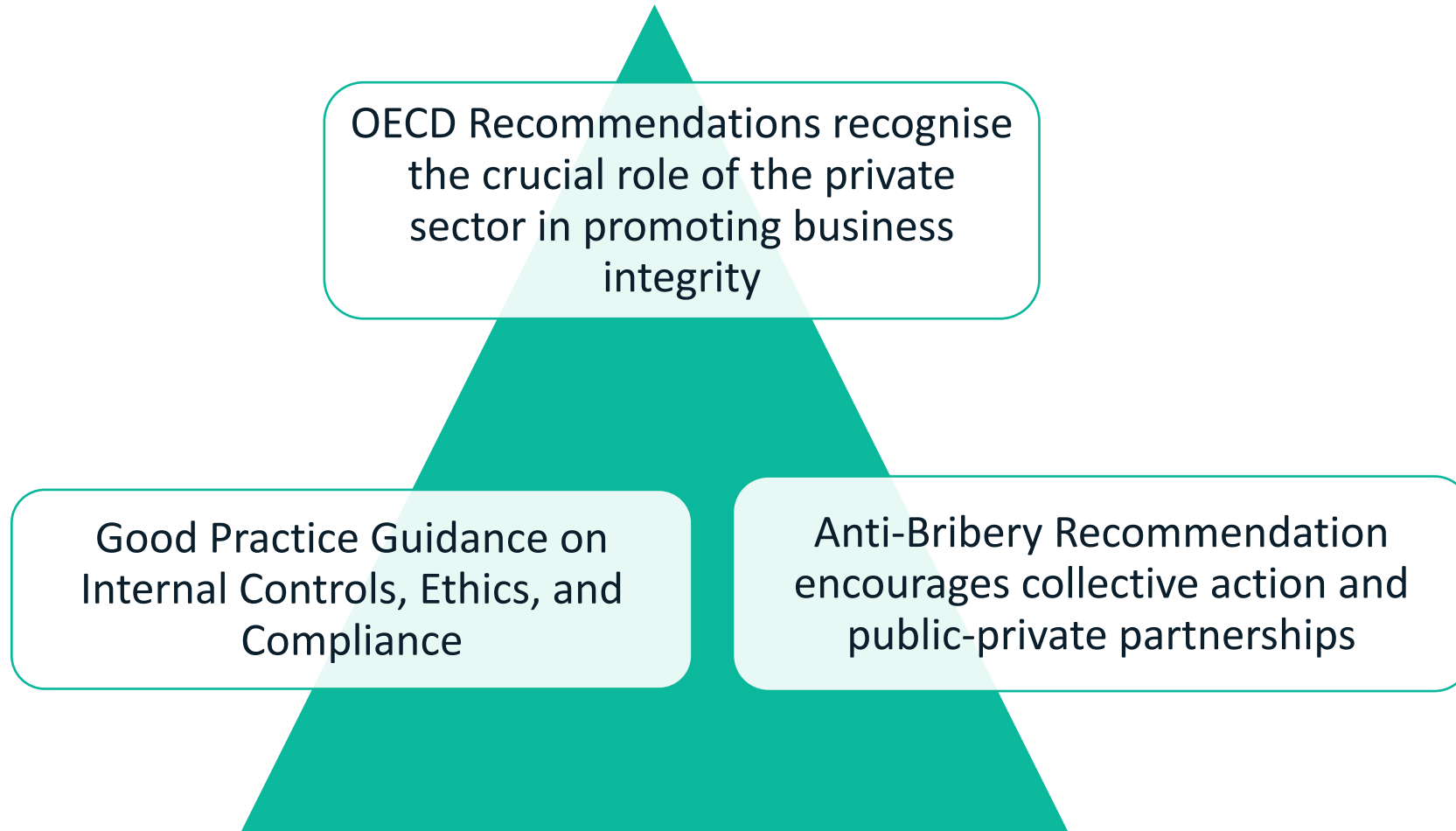


Recommendation of the Council for
Further Combating Bribery of
Foreign Public Officials in
International Business
Transactions

OECD Legal
Instruments



The role of the private sector in the OECD standards





How the OECD supports ACI countries in promoting business integrity





Thank you

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