



Democracy at Crossroads: The Challenge of Illicit Finance in Politics
Round Table in Mexico City
1-2 December 2009



Agenda

Tuesday, 1 December

09:00-09:30 **Registration**

09:30-10:30 **Opening Statements**

Mr Juan Manuel Gómez Robledo, Undersecretary of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights
Mr Vidar Helgesen, Secretary-General of International IDEA
Mr Fernando Gómez-Mont Urueta, Minister of the Interior

Also attending the inaugural session:

Mr José Alejandro Luna Ramos, Dean of the Federal Electoral Tribunal
Mr Leonardo Valdés Zurita, President of the Federal Electoral Institute
Mr Héctor Fix Fierro, Director of IIJ/UNAM

10:30-10:45 **Coffee break**

10:45-11:45 **Keynote speech and comments**

Keynote speaker: Mr Misha Glenny
Commentators:
Mr Leonardo Valdés Zurita
Mr Salvador Nava Gomar

11:45-14:15

First Panel

Emerging Challenges to Democracy Around The World – The Problem of Illicit Political Finance

- *Patterns and examples of illicit funding of political processes in different regions and countries (Latin America, Africa, Asia and Eastern Europe)*
- *A comparative perspective*
- *Lessons learned in addressing the issue*

Moderator: Mr Ciro Murayama

Panellists:

Mr Kwesi Aning

Mr Humberto de la Calle

Mr Carlos Jiménez Villarejo

Ms Elena Panfilova

14:15-16:30

Lunch break

16:30-19:00

Second Panel

Democratic institutions and processes and the ways in which they are affected by illicit finance

- *Electoral processes (campaigns and the holding of elections)*
- *Functioning and funding of political parties*
- *Accountability and vulnerability of public office holders*
- *Links with organized crime: analysing the symptoms and exploring the causes*

Moderator: Mr Lorenzo Córdova

Panellists:

Ms Alina M. Pippidi

Ms Ayesha Siddiqi

Mr Torquato Jardim

Discussant: Mr Constancio Carrasco Daza

Wednesday, 2 December

09:30- 12:00

Third Panel

Options and resources for coordinated institutional responses and policies at national and international level

- *Sharing experiences on best practices*
- *Identifying further research needs and possible partnerships*
- *Proposing recommendations*

Moderator: Mr Francisco Paoli Bolio

Panellists:

Mr James Cockayne

Mr Jermyn Brooks

Ms Delia Ferreira Rubio

Discussant: Mr Alfredo Cristalinas Kaulitz

12:00-12:15

Coffee break

12:15-13:00

Conclusions and Recommendations

The three panel moderators

Mr Vidar Helgesen, Secretary-General, International IDEA