

CALL FOR PAPERS - SISP 2025

Deadline for submissions: 25 May 2025

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Panel 6.1 - Anti-Corruption and public integrity in a complex world: in what ways do policy, politics, and polity respond to ongoing transitions and contemporary challenges?

Section: 6 - Public Policies and Public Administration

Panel chairs: Fernanda Odilla (Unibo) and Francesco Merenda (Unipg);

Discussant: Prof. Benedetto Ponti (Unipg)

Anti-corruption and integrity policies have been increasingly shaped by global political dynamics. As the ties between business and politics grow stronger internationally, many countries that have historically led anti-corruption efforts on a global scale are no longer upholding that commitment. At the same time, national anti-corruption strategies are under increasing scrutiny (and criticism), as they appear to be falling short of their intended goals.

The integration of anti-corruption strategies into broader public policy frameworks, in different sectors, is increasingly seen as a necessary shift—both to enhance their effectiveness and to reflect the growing consensus on the need for a more holistic approach to policy-making that embeds principles of good public governance and democratic participation. In addition, global challenges—particularly transitions to digitalisation and a green economy—demand coordinated, cross-border and more critical approaches to public governance.

In this context, the role of citizens, non-governmental organisations (NGOs), and both the public and private sectors is essential in fostering partnerships that address these challenges through

innovative and more efficient approaches. As can be seen, there is a need for a better understanding of how policy, politics, and polity can address the ongoing challenges of anti-corruption and public integrity, and promote meaningful change.

In light of the aforementioned, scholars from different fields are invited to submit abstracts that offer new perspectives and innovative approaches to the study of corruption, anti-corruption and integrity mechanisms in the current era, which is characterised by complex challenges. Both theoretical and empirical contributions are welcome, including studies that employ qualitative, quantitative, experimental, or computational methods.

We encourage abstracts related to:

- State capture in the context of corruption and the fragility of democracy;
- Integration of anti-corruption policies with other sectors;
- New technologies, such as Artificial Intelligence (AI) and blockchain, in anti-corruption;
- Investigations into perceptions of corruption and anti-corruption strategies at national, regional, and local levels from top-down to bottom-up;
- Anti-Corruption and Green transition;
- Anti-Corruption and Digital transition;
- Cross-border corruption and challenges and obstacles to enforcement and prevention;
- New measurement of transparency and integrity;
- New approaches for understanding legal corruption and undue influences.

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 - your full name, your institution, your e-mail address and of any co-author
 - the text of no more than 6,000 characters (including spaces) of the abstract that will be published on the SISP website if the proposal is accepted.