# ANTI-CORRUPTION & GOVERNANCE CENTER

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# ACGC: OVERVIEW

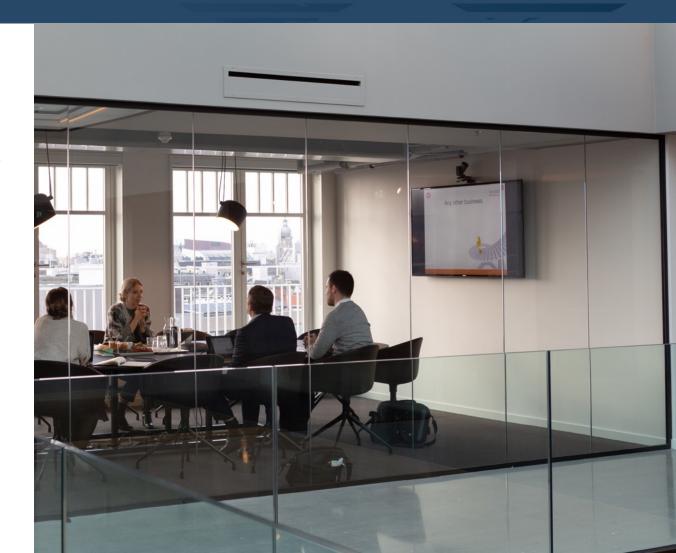
The Anti-Corruption & Governance Center, launched in 2018, conducts programs on several fronts:

- Rapid Response: swift interventions during anti-corruption windows of opportunity, as seen in The Gambia, Armenia, Sudan, and Ecuador.
- Integrated Compliance: working with companies to recognize and address their unique corruption risks. Past work in Peru, Indonesia, and Guatemala.



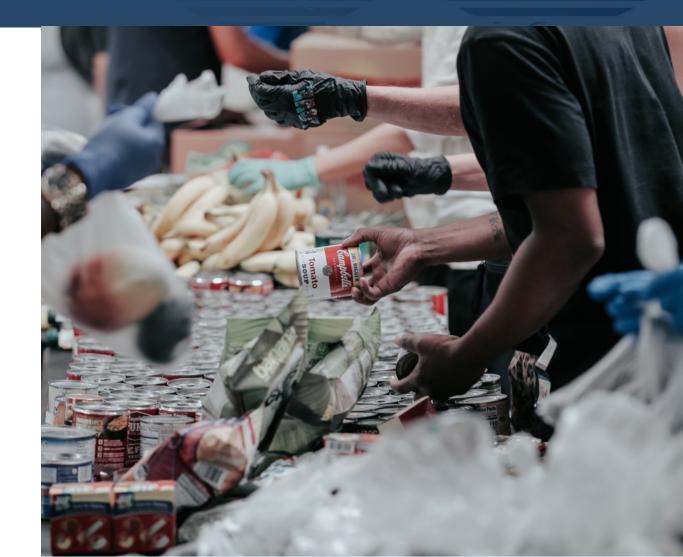
# CIPE'S ACGC: OVERVIEW (CONT)

- Anti-Corruption Compliance for Businesses: enabling emerging market companies in countries like Kenya, Pakistan, Ukraine, and Indonesia to comply with international anti-corruption standards.
- Private Sector Collective Action: helping private-sector businesses unite to change culture and regulations around bribery and corruption. Large-scale initiatives launched in Indonesia and Thailand, with other alliances in Turkey, Armenia, and the Balkans.



## **CIPE'S ACGC: PROGRAMMING**

- Recently launched a pilot anticorruption training program for humanitarian aid workers in March 2021.
  - Front-line relief workers in the Philippines were instructed on common corruption issues in the aid sector.
  - Upcoming activities include training of trainers in **Liberia** and **Sudan**.



### BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP TRANSPARENCY IN LEBANON

- With the Lebanese Transparency Association
- **Recommendations** for:
  - Parliament
  - Ministry of Finance
  - Central Bank of Lebanon
  - Beirut and Tripoli Bar Associations
  - Public Notaries Council



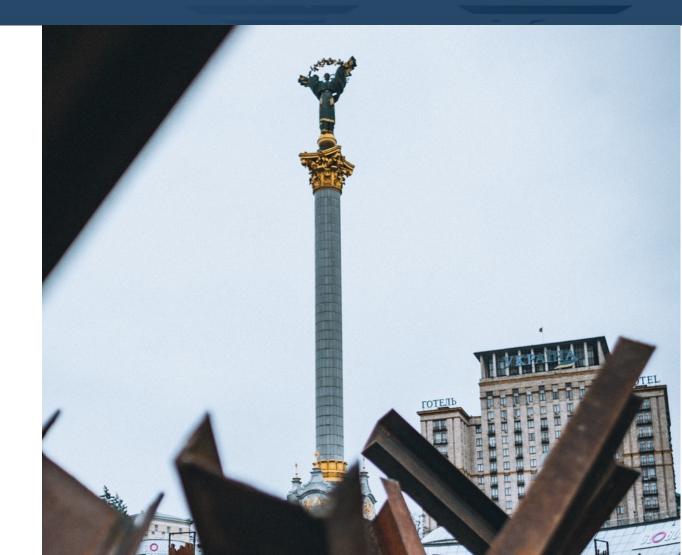
### U.S. STRATEGY ON COUNTERING CORRUPTION

- Released December 2021
- The Strategy is "a **whole-of-government approach** to elevating the fight against corruption."
- "It places particular emphasis on **better understanding and responding** to the threat's **transnational dimensions**, including by taking additional steps to **reduce the ability** of corrupt actors to use the U.S. and international financial systems **to hide assets and launder** the proceeds of corrupt acts."



# WAR IN UKRAINE

- Seeing the conflict through the **lens of corruption**
- Recent article "How Corruption in the Russian Military Could Save Ukraine," shows how corruption impacts morale and fighting capability
- On the Ukrainian side, creation of watchdog organization, Independent Defense Anti-Corruption Committee, yields a more efficient military





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