



Invites you on the discussion with

**Ronald MacLean-Abaroa**

which will be held  
on **May 14, 2008 (Wednesday)** in **Transparency International Slovakia,**  
**Bajkalska 25, Bratislava**

with the programme as follows:

**16:30 – 16:40**

Opening

*Emilia Sicakova-Beblava, president of Transparency International Slovakia, Bratislava, Slovakia*

**16:40 – 18:00**

Presentation of La Paz successful experience of implementation of anticorruption reforms at local level of government

*Ronald MacLean-Abaroa, Senior Governance & Decentralization Specialist Urban & City Management, World Bank Institute, Washington, U.S.A. and former mayor of La Paz, Bolivia*

**18:00 - 18:45**

Discussion and closing



**Ronald MacLean-Abaroa** is a Bolivian politician and leading international expert in anti-corruption programs. MacLean-Abaroa was the first democratically elected mayor of La Paz, Bolivia, and was reelected four times between 1985 and 1991 to this office.

Appointed the youngest minister at age 29, he has held five national cabinet positions including planning, foreign affairs, information and communications, finance and development, under three different Bolivian presidents.

He became the presidential candidate of the governing party in the last general election of 2002, before joining the World Bank as the Lead Public Sector Management Specialist on Governance, Decentralization, and Poverty Reduction.

In the late 1990's he spent three years with the Harvard Institute for International Development as a Senior Research Fellow on Governance, working with Jeffrey Sachs, and Michael Porter, in the Central American Project. He also lectured at the Kennedy School of Government, at Harvard, before returning to public service and politics.

He received his Masters in Public Administration from Harvard University, where he became a Research Fellow, and his bachelor's degree in economics from the University of Maryland.

He is leading research on institutional reform and governance and working on issues of decentralization, devolution of government powers to local citizens and anti-corruption strategies.

He is also founding member of Transparency International.

He is the author of several articles and books, notably "Corrupt Cities: A Practical Guide to Cure and Prevention" (2000), coauthored with Robert Klitgaard and Linsey Parris since translated into fifteen languages.

*The discussion is devoted especially to local government representatives and local NGO leaders. Language of the discussion is English with no translation.*

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## **CONFIRMATION OF PARTICIPATION**

I confirm my participation on discussion with **Ronald MacLean-Abaroa** held on May 14, 2008 (Wednesday) in Transparency International Slovakia, Bajkalska 25, Bratislava at 4,30 p.m.

**Name and surname:**

**Organization:**

**Position within organization:**

**Date and signature:**

If interested in discussion, please contact Ivan Roncak, coordinator of TIS self-government programme (0907 655 724; [roncak@transparency.sk](mailto:roncak@transparency.sk)) or fax your confirmation of participation on discussion on +421 02 5341 7207 (TI Slovakia).