The IBA and IFAC Anti-Corruption Mandate

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The International Bar Association and the International Federation of Accountants take the occasion of the gathering of the G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors in Buenos Aires to submit this call for collaboration and shared commitment to combatting corruption in all its forms.

Our organizations collectively represent the legal and accounting professions across the G20 and more than 170 jurisdictions throughout the world, playing a vital role in training, educating and supporting our professions to uphold the highest levels of integrity and ethical standards.

Corruption is a major threat to economic stability and growth, to the trust of citizens in public and private institutions they rely on for order, justice and essential services, and to citizens’ ability to make a better life for themselves and prosper.

For many years, professional bodies have worked alongside government, regulators, law enforcement and international bodies and supported our members to combat bribery, corruption, tax evasion, money laundering and the financing of international terrorism. We will continue this work, upholding the Rule of Law and the core values of our professions, and provide support to facilitate national and international cooperation and to improve monitoring and enforcement systems.

We know criminals seek to abuse the services provided by our members to launder the proceeds of corruption and we are committed to ensuring the professions we serve are armed with the tools to thwart this abuse.

We stand united in the fight against corruption in all its forms and are committed to sharing knowledge, skills and intelligence with our fellow professionals and with all agencies fighting this cause.