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The Invisible and the Immeasurable: Towards Alternative Indicators of Corruption

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Interdisciplinary Colloquium organised by Alena Ledeneva,
fellow at the Paris IAS and Nicolas Sauger (Sciences Po)

Comparing the incomparable: We aim to move beyond the existing paradigms of measuring corruption and investigate how to create culture sensitive next generation indicators that would be compatible with existing transnational surveys.

Alena Ledeneva, Institute d'Etudes Avancées de Paris, France and **Nicolas Sauger**, Sciences Po, France

Corruption and political trust: Which questions about informal and invisible practices could/should be included in general social or political surveys?

Paul Heywood, University of Nottingham, UK, **Monika Bauhr**, The Quality of Government Institute, Sweden, and **Allan Sikk**, UCL, UK

Practical norms: We search for the bottom-up, user-friendly indicators for informal practices, with focus on strength rather than frequency of relationships and practical norms rather than perceptions.

Thomas Cantens, World Customs Organization, **Roxana Bratu**, UCL, UK and **Danica Mijovic-Prelec**, MIT, US

Ambivalence of corruption: We focus on how to construct indicators that would reflect cultural differences and ambivalent attitudes towards corruption.

Richard Rose, U. of Strathclyde, UK, **Elena Panfilova**, Transparency International – Russia and **Joy Saunders**, Integrity Action

Norm reversal: Within the existing measurements, we aim to distinguish between indicators for the countries with systemic corruption – where corruption is a practical norm – from indicators for the countries where corruption is a deviation.

Drazen Prelec, MIT, US, **Catherine Fieschi**, Counterpoint: Engaging Cultural Intelligence, UK and **Tina Fordham**, Citygroup, UK

