Tirana: International Conference on Transparency of Beneficial Ownership

Strasbourg, October 2018 – The Council of Europe's Economic Crime and Cooperation Division organizes an international conference on "Transparency of

Beneficial Ownership" on 30 and 31 October in Tirana, Albania.

The Conference is aimed at facilitating a common understanding of standards and

sharing good comparative practices related to transparency of beneficial ownership

among practitioners and policy makers.

Practitioners and policy designers from twenty jurisdictions from will discuss and

share experiences on the development and enforcement of beneficial ownership due

diligence and registration rules.

During the two days, conference participants will discuss criminal abuses of legal

persons and international standards regarding transparency of beneficial ownership,

as well as country practices regarding beneficial ownership compliance, supervision

and registration. Discussions will also serve as a platform for mapping out next steps in development and implementation of beneficial ownership solutions in South-East

Europe and Eastern Partnership regions.

The conference will be opened by Council of Europe Director General for Human

Rights and Rule of Law Christos Giakoumopoulos, the EU Ambassador to Albania

Luigi Soreca, and the Minister of Justice of Albania Etilda Gjonaj.

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