

## **Michael Greene: Corruption must be confronted every day, not just once a year at conference**

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"Corruption must be confronted every day, not just once a year at the conference," the Director of USAID mission in the KR Michael Greene said today at the international conference "The role of the state in promoting parliamentary anti-corruption policy in Kyrgyzstan".

According to him, the well-being of every person in Kyrgyzstan, as well as most of the country depends on the fulfillment of the obligations prescribed in the National Sustainable Development Strategy, the Roadmap on public sector reform, anti-corruption strategy in the judicial system and other initiatives.

"Corruption exacerbates poverty, slows economic growth and undermines the contract between citizens and government, forming the basis of any stable and prosperous society. Corruption must withstand not only on high level, but also in society as a whole. Every day, not just at the annual conference," Michael Greene said.

He noted that the fight against this scourge is long and complex. "The laws that formalize supervision and consultation mechanisms, such as community councils, will help the country to fight corruption. Some of the proposed amendments to the existing laws could severely restrict the space for civil society. And the role of the Parliament in this way is fundamental," Michael Greene added.

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