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Vance Center Hosts Transparency International Meetings

Transparency International board chair [Jose Ugaz](#) led a team from TI's secretariat to New York for consultations on TI's "No Impunity" initiative. The Vance Center, which is providing pro bono legal support to the initiative, hosted Ugaz and his colleagues, along with international legal experts and NGO leaders, first at a reception at the New York City Bar Association and then for two days of working sessions. These focused on seeking a legal definition for grand corruption, the large-scale abuse of public office for private gain, depriving people of their basic human rights.



Participants in the sessions included Richard Goldstone, former South Africa Supreme Court judge and member of the Vance Center International Council, former International Criminal Court chief prosecutor Luis Moreno Ocampo, Judge Mark Wolf of the Federal District Court of Massachusetts, Stephen Zimmerman, director of operations of the Integrity Vice Presidency of the World Bank, Akaash Maharaj, [GOPAC](#) executive director, and Zorka Milin of [Global Witness](#). Ugaz himself is a regular partner in Vance Center activities, including 2013 and 2014 [delegations to Guatemala](#) and leadership of [Alianza Pro Bono](#) in Peru where he practices law at [Benites, Forno & Ugaz](#).