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GOPAC’s members come from different cultures, speak different languages, profess different faiths, pursue different political philosophies, and have been on opposite sides of history and warfare. But we are united by a common conviction: that corruption is now the single greatest threat to the development of societies, to the security of nations, and to the rights of all mankind.

During the fourteen years that GOPAC has been leading the fight against corruption, that conviction has become part of the global consensus.

The UN Development Programme now estimates that the developing world loses €10 to corruption for every €1 it receives in official aid. GOPAC estimates that corruption now kills more people than war and famine combined. And the UN’s new Sustainable Development Goals now include Goal 16, which acknowledges that nations must combat corruption as a precondition to achieving social and economic development.

We believe that the solution to corruption is simple to describe, though difficult to achieve: a vigilant, relentless, and fearless community of parliamentarians, standing between our leaders and the levers of power.

By the very nature of their role, parliamentarians are the watchdogs of democracy, and it is tragic when citizens come to accept their watchdogs muting their bark, muzzling their bite, or being neutered by the very powers they are meant to hold at bay. Ultimately, effective parliamentary oversight is the single most effective component in the state system to discourage, detect, and defeat corruption.

GOPAC has grown to include fifty-seven national chapters, regional chapters in every hemisphere, and individual members in almost every country of the world. Together, they have joined hands across the divides of geography and politics, to support one another nationally and to undertake co-ordinated action internationally.

A great deal remains to be done, but we are proud of how much our members have achieved, and of the extent to which they have made the world a better place.

Akaash Maharaj
Chief Executive Officer
GOPAC’s Commitment to Fighting Grand Corruption

Our Flagship Project

There are some forms of corruption so grave and whose effect on human life, human rights, and human welfare are so catastrophic that they should shock the conscience of the international community and mobilize the will of nations to act across borders.

That is why GOPAC’s membership unanimously mandated GOPAC to establish grand corruption as a crime of international law in order to enable international institutions and alliances to apprehend, prosecute, judge, and sentence the guilty.

This mandate was declared in 2013 at the fifth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, held in Manila, Philippines and again at our Forum of Parliamentarians, an event held in parallel to the fifth Conference of States Parties to the United Nations Convention Against Corruption held later that year in Panama City, Panama. Ahead of the latter, we published a discussion paper outlining the options selected to fulfil this mandate:

- Exploring the concept of universal jurisdiction;
- Determining the effectiveness of regional and transnational courts;
- Utilising the International Criminal Court; and
- Establishing a new independent, free-standing court, and creating a new international treaty that would allow for criminals to be brought to justice.

Over the past two years, GOPAC has been working hard with our members and chapters to drive this initiative forward by building awareness, developing partnerships, and generating a global discussion.

#PreventProsecuteParalyze Campaign

On International Anti-Corruption, 9 December 2014, GOPAC launched #PreventProsecuteParalyze, a global campaign to mobilise citizens across the world to support the creation of an international tool for the prosecution of perpetrators of grand corruption. It includes a website where citizens can make their voices heard through a petition and a letter writing campaign calling for the creation of universal jurisdiction legislation at the national level.
People from all walks of life have had enough of kleptocracy. If there were ever a time to succeed in this fight, it is now.

-Akaash Maharaj, CEO
C20 Summit - Istanbul, Turkey

Events

During the past year, GOPAC discussed the challenges and opportunities to tackle grand corruption, at the following forums. A summary of these events are provided in the sections to follow.

- Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group - Washington, D.C., United States
- Sixteenth International Anti-Corruption Conference - Putrajaya, Malaysia
- Harvard Law and International Development Society Grand Corruption Symposium - Cambridge, United States
- Parliamentary Network Global Parliamentary Conference - Washington, D.C., United States
- Fourteenth Session of UN Committee of Experts on Public Administration - New York, United States
- Sixth Session of UNCAC Implementation Review Group - Vienna, Austria
- Funding Democracy Conference - Ottawa, Canada
- International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy - Vienna, Austria
- C20 Summit - Istanbul, Turkey

Prevent

One in five people in the world are reported to have paid a bribe in 2013.¹

In 2002-2011 over $5.9 TRILLION was lost in the developing world through illicit financial flows which increased more than 10 per cent per year.²

Prosecute

Endow national courts with universal jurisdiction

Empower existing regional courts with resources

Create an international mechanism to prosecute perpetrators.³

Paralyze

Some forms of corruption are so grave, that their effects on human life, human rights and human welfare should be considered a crime against humanity.⁴

Grand Corruption

Top Ten Illicit Flows 2002 - 2011

8. Estimates included for Iraq are based on available data from 2007-2011. The illicit flows are suspected to be more than $370 bn.
9. Illicit flows are estimated to be more than $580 bn. The illicit flows are suspected to be more than Nigeria.
During the 2014-2015 fiscal period, our dedicated GOPAC members worked tirelessly to host a vast array of anti-corruption and integrity-building activities across the world. These conferences, seminars, workshops, and sessions are designed to strengthen the capacity of our members, hold governments to account, promote good governance, and facilitate peer-to-peer exchanges.

In the past year, the following activities were undertaken by our regional and national chapters, all playing an important role in furthering the global fight against corruption.

Global Events

Annual Meetings of the International Monetary Fund and the World Bank Group - Washington, D.C., United States

GOPAC was invited to host a panel session at the International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank Group Annual Meetings in October 2014 as part of the meetings’ Civil Society Program. The packed room included parliamentarians, representatives from international organisations, and civil society actors. The session was in line with our global project on grand corruption which focuses on bringing perpetrators of grand corruption to justice. It opened up a discussion to uncover perspectives on coordinated efforts to fight corruption and eliminate grand corruption. GOPAC was represented on the panel by our CEO, Akaash Maharaj. He was joined by Zorka Milin, a Legal Advisor at Global Witness, and Christiaan Poortman, the Chair of the Construction Sector Transparency Initiative at Transparency International (TI) USA. GOPAC member Donya Aziz from Pakistan moderated the discussion.

Sixteenth International Anti-Corruption Conference - Putrajaya, Malaysia

In September 2015, GOPAC participated at the Sixteenth International Anti-Corruption Conference where GOPAC hosted a panel of experts titled Behind Bars: Bringing Perpetrators of Corruption to Justice. GOPAC’s CEO Akaash Maharaj was joined on the panel by José Ugaz, Chair of TI, and Patrick Alley, Director and Co-Founder of Global Witness. John Hyde, Chair of GOPAC Oceania moderated the event. The session brought together leading figures from governments, diplomatic corps, and citizen organisations from around the world and helped create significant momentum in GOPAC’s efforts to prosecute perpetrators of grand corruption. In particular, it provided a venue for us to strengthen collaborations with distinguished international organisations which will help move our flagship project to its next stage.
African Parliamentarians’ Network Against Corruption (APNAC)

Workshop on Anti-Corruption Act - Banjul, The Gambia

In October 2014, APNAC-Gambia, with the support of the National Assembly of the Gambia, hosted a workshop to raise awareness and improve understanding of the Anti-Corruption Act 2012. The event was chaired by Momodou A. Sise, Assistant Clerk at the National Assembly, and welcomed the following presenters: the Honourable Abdoulie Bojang, Speaker of the National Assembly, and the Hon Cherno Jallow, Chair of APNAC-Gambia.

International Anti-Corruption Day Activities - Conakry, Guinea

The Honourable Aliou Barry, member of the National Assembly of Guinea and GOPAC’s Audit Committee, participated in several events in recognition of International Anti-Corruption Day in December 2014. In addition to a mini-marathon and a press conference, the Hon Barry participated in a conference at the Université Général Lansana Conté de Sonfonia, where he gave remarks on the devastating financial burden corruption imposes on African countries and delivered training sessions to students to strengthen their knowledge of anti-corruption measures and the rule of law, and raise their awareness of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC).

APNAC held their Biennial General Meeting in April 2015, hosted by APNAC-Chad and the National Assembly of Chad. They welcomed delegates from ten APNAC national chapters, as well as John Hyde, GOPAC Oceania Chair and GOPAC Treasurer. Discussions during the three-day meeting were focused on the current climate of political corruption and issues of parliamentary oversight in national legislatures across Africa. Parliamentarians were urged to intensify their efforts to combat corruption and end impunity in their respective countries. APNAC national chapters committed to continue their capacity-building efforts and to continue building partnerships with civil society organisations towards the successful implementation of anti-corruption measures. Additionally, the APNAC Board committed to continue working towards strengthening the regional chapter and increasing efforts to establish additional APNAC national chapters.

APNAC-Congo Launch - Brazzaville, Republic of the Congo

APNAC, along with members of APNAC-Democratic Republic of the Congo, members of the National Assembly and the Senate of the Republic of the Congo, and representatives of civil society organisations gathered in Brazzaville, Congo in July 2015 to establish APNAC-Congo. The meeting offered an opportunity for members of the national chapter to elect their Executive Committee and discuss plans
to address and take action on the country’s corruption challenges.

**Arab Region Parliamentarians Against Corruption (ARPAC)**

**World Bank Parliamentary Oversight Workshop - Beirut, Lebanon**

In November 2014, ARPAC Chair Dr Azmi Al Shuaibi and ARPAC Iraq member Dr Majida Al Tamimi, participated in a workshop on the effective parliamentary oversight of government budgets. It served as an opportunity for Iraqi and Lebanese parliamentarians to share experiences on the mechanisms for the implementation and monitoring of federal budgets. Dr Al Shuaibi stressed the importance of the Parliament’s role to urge the government to prepare a national plan to fight corruption. He also remarked on the importance of respecting citizens’ right to access information through the adoption and implementation of relevant legislation, opening up the way for community participation and accountability enforced by citizens.

**Roundtable on Protection for Whistleblowers - Beirut, Lebanon**

In December 2014, ARPAC, in collaboration with the Lebanese Transparency Association, organized a roundtable to discuss the proposed law on whistleblower protection, which was presented to the Lebanese Parliament in 2010. Speakers who attended the roundtable all agreed that passing legislation to protect whistleblowers in Lebanon is absolutely crucial and would allow journalists to report freely on the country’s corruption cases without fearing persecution. They also discussed the dire need for a Lebanese anti-corruption commission, as well as a law on access to information.

**Arab Region Anti-Corruption Report 2015-2016**

In May 2015, ARPAC received a grant from the National Endowment for Democracy (NED). In cooperation with its national chapters, it worked to produce national-level anti-corruption reports for Bahrain, Jordan, Kuwait, Morocco, Palestine, Tunisia, and Yemen. Each report analyzes the country’s corruption profile and institutional structure using the UNDP-GOPAC Anti-Corruption Assessment Tool for Parliamentarians, and is produced through input from local experts and a parliamentary round table discussion. The final report which will include a comparative analysis of the region will be released in 2016.

**GOPAC Latin America and the Caribbean**

**GOPAC Ecuador Launch - Quito, Ecuador**

Ecuadorian parliamentarians from various political parties met in October 2014 to launch a national GOPAC chapter at an event hosted by Observatorio Legislativo and the Embassy of Canada to Ecuador. Dr Miguel Angel Moreta was elected as the inaugural Chair and discussions were held regarding the adoption of a national chapter action plan outlining the anti-corruption work members wish to accomplish within the country.

**GOPAC Argentina and GOPAC Chile Partnership Meetings - Buenos Aires, Argentina**

GOPAC Chile Chair Senator Hernan Larraín, GOPAC Argentina Chair Paula Bertol, and GOPAC Chile member Patricio Vallespin
Lopez joined a delegation from the Red Parlamentaria Latinoamericana de Transparencia, Acceso a la Información Pública y Probidad in Washington, D.C. in April 2015 to meet with partner organisations. This further solidified partnerships between these GOPAC national chapters and the National Democratic Institute, OpeningParliament.org, the Organization of American States, the Inter-American Development Bank, the World Bank, and the Open Government Partnership.

**International Seminar on Professional Ethics and the Fight Against Corruption - Buenos Aires, Argentina**

GOPAC Argentina Chair Paula Bertol and GOPAC Argentina member Manuel Garrido participated in a panel session on monitoring and transparency mechanisms at an international seminar on professional ethics and the fight against corruption, organised by the Consejo Profesional de Ingenieria Civil. They discussed the control bodies of the Argentine federal government, the current laws promoting transparency and access to information, and the role of the judiciary in prosecuting crimes of corruption.

**Legislative Transparency Day Conference - Buenos Aires, Argentina**

In June 2015, the Argentine Chamber of Deputies observed International Legislative Transparency Day by holding a conference organized with the assistance of GOPAC Argentina. The event was attended by GOPAC Argentina Chair Paula Bertol and members Manuel Garrido, Ana Carla Carrizo, and Alejandro Cacace, who participated in debates on the National Congress' use of media to engage their constituents and the reasons why Argentina should embrace parliamentary openness.

**GOPAC Oceania**

**Workshop on Sustainable Development Goals - Thimphu, Bhutan**

In April 2015, GOPAC Oceania provided support to the land-locked Himalayan nation of Bhutan, delivering a workshop on the UN's Sustainable Development Goals. GOPAC Oceania Chair John Hyde had the pleasure of meeting with Bhutan’s Speaker of the National Assembly Jigme Zangpo, Chairperson of the National Council Dr Sonam Kinga, and fellow parliamentarians including Ugyen Wangdi, former Bhutan Anti-Corruption Commission lawyer and member of the National Assembly’s Human Rights Committee. The group discussed capacity-building assistance as Bhutan’s MPs were preparing to address ratification processes of the UNCAC in May 2015.

**Parliamentary Oversight/UNCAC Engagement Workshop and GOPAC Tonga Launch - Nuku’alofa, Tonga**

In May 2015, GOPAC Oceania, in collaboration the UN Pacific Regional Anti-Corruption Project (UN-PRAC) (a joint initiative of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)), delivered a workshop on the ratification and implementation of the UNCAC and parliamentary oversight. The workshop welcomed Tongan members of parliament and the Speaker Lord
Tu’ivakano, Clerk, and Deputy Clerk of the Legislative Assembly of Tonga. It was led by John Hyde, Chair of GOPAC Oceania and GOPAC Treasurer and Annika Wythes, UNODC Anti-Corruption Pacific Regional Advisor. As a result of the workshop, a new GOPAC national chapter was created in Tonga, chaired by Lord Fusitu’a.

**Parliamentary Oversight/UNCAC Engagement Workshop - Naji, Fiji**

In continued collaboration with the [UN-PRAC Project](https://www.unodc.org/uncac/gov/pri/prac.html), GOPAC Oceania delivered a regional workshop on the ratification and implementation of the [UNCAC](https://www.unodc.org/uncac/) and parliamentary oversight. The workshop received Members of Parliament from Fiji, Nauru, Niue, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Tonga, and Tuvalu, as well as GOPAC Oceania Chair, John Hyde, and GOPAC Tonga Chair, Lord Fusitu’a. The Speaker of the Parliament of Tuvalu and GOPAC member the Honourable Otinielu Tauteleimali Tausi announced at the workshop that Tuvaluan parliamentarians will officially begin the UNCAC ratification process, bringing the number of Pacific nations having yet to become signatories to the UNCAC down to only four.

**Southeast Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption (SEAPAC)**

**International Corruption Day Activities and News Conference - Jakarta, Indonesia**

SEAPAC took part in a news conference for International Anti-corruption Day along with the House of Representative of the Republic of Indonesia. GOPAC Member and Deputy Speaker Fadli Zon and Chairperson of the Committee for Inter Parliamentary Cooperation Dr Nurhayati Ali Assegaf, who is also the Chair of [GOPAC’s Participation of Society Global Task Force](https://www.gopac.org/SouthAsia/TaskForce/), took the opportunity to launch the #PreventProsecuteParalyze campaign in their region and to call on the global community to bring perpetrators of grand corruption to justice.

**South Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption (SAPAC)**

(Regional chapter in development)

**GOPAC Sri Lanka Activity Planning Meeting - Sri Jayewardenepura Kotte, Sri Lanka**

In October 2014, GOPAC Sri Lanka parliamentarians met in the Deputy Speaker’s office to progress their 2014-15 activities plan. The chapter committed to setting up an office where citizens could report corruption and enable social media reporting to ensure parliamentarians are more aware of corruption hotspots.

**National Chapters Not Affiliated With a Regional Chapter**

**GOPAC Information Session - Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina**

On 17 April 2015, an information session was held in Sarajevo, Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) to introduce members of the BiH Parliamentary Assembly to GOPAC and to help form a GOPAC national chapter. The Hon Elizabeth Lloyd Behjat, GOPAC Australia member, gave a detailed overview on GOPAC’s mission and main activities, explained its structure and objectives of national and regional chapters, and the role that
our Global Task Forces (GTFs) play in carrying-out our programmatic priorities. GOPAC Serbia member Ms Dubravka Filipovski remarked that much work still needs to be done in the Southeastern Europe region and highly encouraged BiH parliamentarians to join the global fight against corruption and establish their own national chapter.

**International Conference on Transparency and Accountability - Belgrade, Serbia**

In May 2015, GOPAC Serbia hosted the Transparency and Accountability for Effective Oversight: the Role of Parliament conference in collaboration with the National Assembly of the Republic of Serbia, the Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation, and the United Nations Development Programme. The conference gathered current and prospective GOPAC members from Albania, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Serbia, and Ukraine. Panel sessions emphasised the importance of parliamentary leadership in anti-corruption awareness building while discussing open data and citizens’ access to information, innovative anti-corruption mechanisms, communications with constituents through social media, and cooperation between government and civil society. At the close of the conference, a Memorandum of Cooperation was signed by legislators from participating countries to formalise their commitment for broader regional inter-parliamentary collaboration, including the creation of a GOPAC regional chapter in Eastern Europe and Central Asia.

**GOPAC United Kingdom Annual General Meeting - London, United Kingdom**

Following the general election in the United Kingdom (UK), members of GOPAC UK held their Annual General Meeting in July 2015 to elect their new officers and establish their strategic priorities. Catherine McKinnell MP was re-elected as Chair of the chapter. Members will continue to galvanise political will to strengthen anti-corruption accountability mechanisms in British institutions, scrutinise the regulatory structures that police them, and advocate for the adequate resourcing and implementation of anti-corruption legislation, corporate transparency, and anti-money laundering measures.
Drafting and passing legislation, introducing anti-corruption reforms, and strengthening institutions take many years of hard work and relentless dedication. When our members and chapters realise victories, however big or small, it reminds us all that achieving success in the fight against corruption is indeed possible and brings renewed energy to those following suit to keep on persevering.

In addition to our members’ activities, below are accomplishments we would like to highlight from the 2014-2015 fiscal year.

**G20 Leaders Endorse Anti-Corruption Action Plan**

In lead-up to the 2014 G20 Summit in Australia, GOPAC signed an Open Letter to G20 Leaders urging for increased transparency in global financial systems to fight organized crime, corruption and tax evasion. The open letter was endorsed by a coalition of 25 representatives from NGOs and civil society organizations around the world.

As a result of this joint effort, the G20 leaders endorsed the 2015-2016 Anti-Corruption Action Plan. This represents an important step towards GOPAC members’ resolution at the fifth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption, held in Manila, Philippines to advocate for the requirement that all financial institutions and intermediaries demand a binding legal declaration of beneficial ownership for all deposits and other financial transactions, with applied sanctions for non-compliance.

**GOPAC Kiribati Member Moves Motion to Help Recover Assets**

In 2014, GOPAC Kiribati Member the Honourable Alexander Teabo brought forward a motion in the Kiribati House of Assembly to find out how more than $1.1 million was stolen from the State’s coffers. Kiribati acquired this amount through a development aid fund from Taiwan that was intended to help pay for a new landing craft; however, the money reportedly never reached the Filipino supplier responsible for building the craft. As a result of the motion, the Kiribati President launched a full investigation, which has led to the suspension of a deputy minister-level official. The Hon Teabo continues his efforts to improve the management of development aid in Kiribati, stating that a lack of competence, care, and responsible behaviour may be some of the reasons why these funds went missing.

**GOPAC Brazil Chair Leads Initiative on Extending Asset Recovery Legislation**

The Honourable Antonio Carlos Mendes Thame, GOPAC Brazil Chair and member of the Chamber of Deputies of Brazil, proposed a constitutional amendment in the National Congress of Brazil in February 2015 aiming to bring greater flexibility in freezing and recovering funds deposited illegally in foreign jurisdictions. The Bill seeks to expedite the process by which federal prosecutors can freeze funds following police investigation. After being approved by the lower chamber’s Commission on the Constitution, and
Justice and Citizenship, the Bill will next undergo an evaluation by a special congressional committee which will analyse its objectives.

**GOPAC UK’s Success in Fighting for a National Public Register of Beneficial Ownership**

In late-March, the Parliament of the United Kingdom passed the *Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015* and this piece of legislation will allow for the creation and implementation of a publicly-accessible register which will disclose the beneficial owners of companies. It represents a tremendous victory in the fight to eradicate secret and anonymous companies which are well-known for facilitating illicit financial flows, money laundering, tax evasion, terrorist financing, and of course, corruption. GOPAC UK members were instrumental in bringing forward many improvements to the bill when it was being debated in Parliament.

![British Parliamentarians (from left: Lord Mendelsohn, GOPAC UK member Lord Watson of Invergowrie, Lord Stevenson of Balamarca, and GOPAC UK member Lord Phillips of Sudbury) with supporters of Christian Aid](image-url)
In September 2014, GOPAC announced a call for nominations for the first annual GOPAC International Anti-Corruption Award. It seeks to recognise current and former parliamentarians who through their anti-corruption initiatives have exemplified to the highest degree what it means to be a GOPAC member.

We would like to express our most profound appreciation to the International Anti-Corruption Academy (IACA) for having sponsored the prize associated with the award, allowing the winner to attend IACA’s 2015 Summer Academy in Vienna, Austria.

Winner of the Award

The Honourable Ali Ashal was awarded GOPAC’s inaugural International Anti-Corruption Award in June 2015 and formally accepted the award at our sixth Global Conference of Parliamentarians Against Corruption in Yogyakarta, Indonesia in October 2015. The Hon Ashal is a Member of the House of Representatives of Yemen and has been an ardent supporter of GOPAC since 2005.

His many accomplishments include introducing a private member’s bill in 2007, which led to the country’s first law on access to information enacted in 2012. The Centre for Law and Democracy recognises the strength, broad scope, and applicability of this piece of legislation and ranks it among the top 25 best access to information laws globally.

The Hon Ashal has demonstrated a strong commitment to improving parliamentary oversight of the resource sector and was instrumental in cancelling a five-year extension of an agreement between the Yemeni government and United States-based Hunt Oil Company. He maintained that some State officials were willing to issue the extension under unconstitutional circumstances and after working with the Oil and Development Committee, Parliament subsequently cancelled the agreement. This decision was upheld by the International Court of Arbitration in Paris, France, following Hunt Oil Company’s failed attempt to pursue a lawsuit against the Yemeni government.

The Hon Ashal was also actively involved in blocking the sale of a State-owned oil concession for $13 million USD, an amount tremendously undervalued by hundreds of millions. Once the issue was raised in Parliament, the Hon Ashal successfully mobilised his colleagues to vote in favour of the cancellation of this illegal deal.

Scholarship Recipient

Given that the Honourable Ashal was unable to attend the IACA’s Summer Academy, GOPAC and IACA were proud to offer the scholarship to the Honourable Willias Madzimure, a fellow nominee and equally dedicated anti-corruption leader. The Hon Madzimure is a former parliamentarian from Zimbabwe and has made numerous strides nationally, regionally, and globally to fight corruption. In addition to playing an important role in the development of the Parliament of Zimbabwe’s code of conduct, he advocated for the ratification of the UNCAC and other regional anti-corruption legal instruments, convinced his parliamentary colleagues to declare their assets, supported the strengthening of anti-corruption provisions in Zimbabwe’s renewed Constitution, and influenced the government to enact the Zimbabwe Anti-Corruption Commission Act. The Hon Madzimure also led chapter GOPAC development efforts within APNAC and in South Asia and Latin America.
Spreading our Message
Across the World

Through collaborations with likeminded organizations, we share our message and expertise with the largest possible audience, from legislators and public servants to civil society actors and private sector representatives.

Over the past year, our members and staff represented GOPAC at a variety of national, regional, and international events, which provided venues for our experts to speak about our important work, grow our support-base, and strengthened the fight against corruption. In the 2014-2015 period, our members, Global Secretariat, and Board represented GOPAC at the following events.

**GOPAC-NATO Parliamentary Assembly Building Integrity Workshop - Vienna, Austria**

In November 2014, GOPAC joined forces with the North Atlantic Treaty Organization (NATO) Parliamentary Assembly to explore corruption in the defence and security sector, and promote good practice and practical tools to strengthen transparency, accountability, and integrity, with emphasis on the role that could be played by legislators.

**UN Asian and Pacific Conference on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment - Bangkok, Thailand**

GOPAC Cook Islands Chair the Honourable Minister Nandi Glassie and GOPAC member the Hon Selina Napa joined GOPAC Oceania Chair John Hyde at the United Nations’ Asia Pacific Conference on Gender Equality and Women’s Empowerment. Issues around the health of women and girls generated the most discussions, while other concerns such as training and education and women and power reached consensus without major opposition.

**The Critical Role of Transparency in the Fight Against Corruption - Toronto, Canada**

In November 2014, the Empire Club of Canada invited GOPAC along with the Mining Association of Canada and Publish What You Pay – Canada to participate in a discussion about Canada’s role in the fight against corruption in the mining sector and Canadian legislation that could facilitate accountability and be a strong tool for this fight. GOPAC CEO Akaash Maharaj moderated the conversation through a series of thought provoking questions.


The Chair of GOPAC’s Parliamentary Oversight Global Task Force, Dr Gavin Woods, represented GOPAC at the International Parliamentary Conference on Growth for Development, hosted in London, England in November 2014. The event, hosted by the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (CPA) in collaboration with the UNDP and the World Bank, welcomed legislators, experts and academics for discussions on the role of parliamentarians in managing economic growth for equitable development.

**United Nations Global Compact 10th Principle Anniversary - New York, United States**

In December 2014, the United Nations (UN) Global Compact, of which GOPAC is an observer, brought together over 200 anti-corruption champions to
commemorate the 10th anniversary of the establishment of their 10th Principal, which deals with the issue of corruption. GOPAC was represented at the event by Program Director Priya Sood who participated in breakout sessions to explore efforts to address corruption in the financial sector, the importance of collective action, the role of investors in incentivizing good governance, and anti-corruption strategies in emerging markets.

**OECD Forum on Financing Democracy and Averting Policy Capture - Paris, France**

In December 2014, GOPAC UK Co-Chair Mr Anas Sarwar represented GOPAC at the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development’s Forum on Financing Democracy and Averting Policy Capture. It served to advance understanding of the influence of money on public policies and the options to prevent the high-jacking of policy development by narrow private interests. Mr Sarwar presented at a panel on legislative loopholes and the challenges they pose to transparency and accountability.

**Transparency and Accountability in Extractive Industries: The Role of the Legislature - Kigali, Rwanda**

The IMF, World Bank Institute, CPA, Natural Resource Governance Institute, and the UNDP collaborated to host Transparency and Accountability in Extractive Industries: The Role of the Legislature, a global conference held in January 2015. GOPAC Board member, Senator Marie Claire Mukasine, participated in a panel session on the oversight role parliamentarians need to play to ensure that citizens fairly benefit from revenues obtained through natural resource development.

**TI-GOPAC-Global Witness Grand Corruption Expert Meetings - New York, United States**

TI in partnership with GOPAC and Global Witness held expert meetings in January 2015, which sought to identify ways for systemic reforms to address the problem of impunity. A group of 20 international legal experts from the International Criminal Court, United Nations tribunals, and constitutional courts developed a working draft of a legal definition of the crime of grand corruption.

**Women in Parliaments Annual Summit - Addis Ababa, Ethiopia**

Senator Marie Claire Mukasine represented GOPAC at the 2015 Annual Summit of the Women in Parliaments Global Forum, which was held at the headquarters of the African Union in March 2015. Plenary debates, breakout sessions, and panel discussions gave particular attention to the development and implementation of international commitments, most notably the post-2015 development agenda and the Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action.

**Grand Corruption Symposium - Cambridge, United States**

GOPAC CEO Akaash Maharaj attended the Harvard Law and International Development Society’s 2015 Symposium Combatting Grand Corruption: Is International Law the Answer, at the Harvard Law School in February 2015. The event furthered discussions on international prosecutions of crimes against grand corruption, stressing that the international community can no longer let officials who commit these devastating acts walk away unpunished. Judge Mark Wolf, Senior U.S. District Judge and Luis Moreno Ocampo, First and Former Chief Prosecutor of the International Criminal Court, gave opening remarks, which were followed by two panel sessions.

**Parliamentary Network Global Parliamentary Conference - Washington, D.C., United States**

The Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and the IMF (Parliamentary Network) hosted their 2015 Global Parliamentary Conference in April 2015 and GOPAC was represented at the event by eight of its members from Kenya, Tanzania and South Sudan. The conference aimed to discuss the post-2015 development agenda and it served as a good
opportunity to advance our global efforts to bring about international prosecution of grand corruption and to advocate for the recommendations outlined in our Guidelines to Strengthen Oversight Through Parliamentarians-Donor Collaboration.

**Fourteenth Session of the UN Committee of Experts on Public Administration - New York, United States**

In April 2015, GOPAC CEO Akaash Maharaj spoke at the **fourteenth session of the United Nations Committee of Experts on Public Administration (UNCEPA)**. The event was held at the UN General Assembly Hall and welcomed UNCEPA Bureau and Committee members, representatives of UN Member States, and civil society organisations. Mr Maharaj introduced audience members to GOPAC’s global efforts to bring about international prosecutions of crimes of grand corruption.

**Sixth Session of the UNCAC Implementation Review Group - Vienna, Austria**

In June 2015, GOPAC CEO Akaash Maharaj delivered a presentation at the **sixth session of the United Nations Convention Against Corruption (UNCAC) Implementation Review Group**’s briefing for non-governmental organisations. Mr Maharaj participated in the third panel titled Special Measures Against Corruption. Mr Maharaj spoke on the international prosecution of grand corruption and introduced attendees to GOPAC’s #PreventProsecuteParalyze campaign aimed at bringing awareness to and eliminating crimes of grand corruption.

**Funding Democracy Conference - Ottawa, Canada**

GOPAC CEO Akaash Maharaj represented our organisation at a **conference organised by Funding Democracy** in June 2015. The international summit aimed to unite workers, employers, and industry representatives from across the world to find practical, achievable, and sustainable legislative alternatives to austerity measures vis-à-vis the global economic crisis. Mr Maharaj spoke on GOPAC’s grand corruption project.

**Fifth International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy - Vienna, Austria**

GOPAC Board member and Chair of the Management Committee, Dr Naser Al Sane, was delighted to once again be invited as a lecturer at the **fifth International Anti-Corruption Summer Academy** in July 2015. Dr Al Sane’s lecture informed participants on the work of GOPAC as well as the organisation’s flagship project against grand corruption.

**Open Government Partnership Legislative Openness Working Group Conference - Tbilisi, Georgia**

In September 2015, GOPAC Oceania Chair John Hyde participated as a panelist at a conference organised by the **Open Government Partnership’s Legislative Openness Working Group** and held at the Parliament of Georgia. Mr Hyde presented on the necessity for parliamentarians to keep pursuing the
implementation and enhancement of parliamentary ethics and conduct mechanisms to earn and build the trust of their constituents.

**African, Caribbean, Pacific - European Union Joint Parliamentary Assembly**  
**Brussels, Belgium**

GOPAC member and Chair of the Parliamentary Oversight Global Task Force Dr Gavin Woods delivered a presentation before the Committee on Political Affairs of the African, Caribbean, Pacific - European Union Joint Parliamentary Assembly at the European Parliament in September 2015. Dr Woods explained how parliamentarians can best fulfil their anti-corruption oversight role, listed key components that should be incorporated in any government’s anti-corruption legal framework and stressed the need for parliamentary capacity-building efforts.

**C20 Summit 2015 - Istanbul, Turkey**

In September 2015, GOPAC CEO Akaash Maharaj spoke at a panel session titled No Impunity in Grand Corruption at the third annual C20 Summit in Istanbul, Turkey. The session informed members of civil society on the devastating impact of crimes of grand corruption, specific examples of the most damaging cases of impunity, and the legal instruments and tools that need to be developed to bring kleptocrats to justice.

**Global Conference on Money and Politics - Mexico City, Mexico**

In September 2015, GOPAC Chair Ricardo García Cervantes moderated a session at the first Global Conference on Money and Politics, co-hosted by the International Institute for Democracy and Electoral Assistance and the Electoral Tribunal of the Federal Judiciary of Mexico. The international conference sought to address challenges of today’s political systems, most notably the role of money in politics, and discuss and share best practices for political financing.
Throughout the 2014-2015 fiscal year, GOPAC’s Global Secretariat relied on the support of our Global Task Forces and partners to produce invaluable knowledge products for our worldwide membership and the integrity community at large.

**Position Papers**

*Preventing a Tragedy of the Commons*

GOPAC launched its fifth position paper, *Preventing a Tragedy of the Commons*, in October 2014. The paper outlines key measures parliamentarians around the world should follow to prevent conflicts of interest thus strengthening the integrity of democratic institutions.

*Oversight is the Continuation of Democracy by Other Means*

In February 2015, our sixth position paper entitled *Oversight is the Continuation of Democracy by Other Means* was published. This paper calls on parliamentarians to put into place oversight mechanisms to ensure that corrupt practices can no longer thrive in the defence and security sectors.

**Building on Sand: The importance of oversight in fighting corruption within the construction sector**

In April 2015, GOPAC released its seventh position paper titled *Building on Sand: The importance of oversight in fighting corruption within the construction sector*. It calls on parliamentarians to take the necessary steps to block all opportunities for corruption and organized crime to pervade public infrastructure projects. It is the responsibility of parliamentarians to ensure that safeguards against corruption are put into place and effectively observed to secure the integrity of construction investments.

**Parliamentary Handbooks**


In 2009, GOPAC, ARPAC, and the Westminster Foundation for Democracy published our *Handbook on Parliamentary Ethics and Conduct: A guide for parliamentarians* and in 2014, it was translated into Burmese. The objective of this publication is to provide reform-minded parliamentarians with clear and useful guidance to develop the various building blocks of an effective ethics and conduct regime – a regime that is consistent with their respective political and cultural contexts, and at the same time, adheres to fundamental international standards.
Improving Democratic Accountability Globally: A handbook for legislators on congressional oversight in presidential systems (French edition)

In May 2015, Improving Democratic Accountability Globally: A Handbook for Legislators on Congressional Oversight in Presidential Systems was made available in French. The publications, originally released in English and Spanish in 2013, provides legislators in presidential systems with a user-friendly tool to improve the effectiveness of a legislature’s oversight function. The handbook demonstrates how legislative oversight leads to reduced corruption, how oversight can be evaluated, and what steps can be taken in presidential systems to improve oversight.

Government Accountability and Legislative Oversight

In a GOPAC led initiative, Dr. Rick Stapenhurst and Dr. Riccardo Pelizzo authored Government Accountability and Legislative Oversight which was published in November 2013. This book investigates parliaments’ capacity to oversee government activities, policies, and budget legislation. It provides an analysis of oversight tools available to parliaments worldwide, how oversight capacity can be estimated, and how this capacity is related to other institutional and constitutional factors. It also assesses the policy implications of oversight capacity and studies the impact of this capacity on the quality of democracy and the level of good governance.

Corruption and Legislatures

As part of this same initiative, Dr Stapenhurst and Dr Pelizzo wrote Corruption and Legislatures which was published in May 2014. This book investigates parliaments’ role in curbing corruption. Corruption and Legislatures presents a non-technical review of contemporary issues and recent developments in curbing corruption, and concludes with practical advice as to what can be done to ensure more effective parliamentary involvement in curbing corruption.

Media

Making a Difference Video Series

GOPAC launched a series of YouTube videos in October 2014 with the goal of showcasing the successes and challenges of our members in their quests to eliminate corruption and improve transparency in their own legislatures. The first instalment features the Honourable Ali Ashal, a member of YemenPAC and GOPAC Argentina Chair Paula Bertol appears in the second video.
It Takes a Global Village

GOPAC’s international network of parliamentarians consists of 5 regional chapters and 57 national chapters.

Our regional chapters work within a local context, strengthening the capacity of parliamentarians to address issues of corruption and promote good governance. Our national chapters hold a special position in helping individual members within their own countries combat corruption, and are particularly effective in implementing change and producing results given their ability to focus on specific issues of concern.

This year, GOPAC proudly welcomed five new national chapters: APNAC-Congo, APNAC-Niger, ARPAC Libya, GOPAC Ecuador, and GOPAC Tonga.
African Parliamentarians Network Against Corruption (APNAC)

- APNAC-Benin
- APNAC-Burkina Faso
- APNAC-Chad
- APNAC-Congo
- APNAC-Côte d’Ivoire
- APNAC-Democratic Republic of the Congo
- APNAC-Gambia
- APNAC-Ghana
- APNAC-Kenya
- APNAC-Mali
- APNAC-Mozambique
- APNAC-Niger
- APNAC-Rwanda
- APNAC-Senegal
- APNAC-Tanzania
- APNAC-Uganda
- APNAC-Senegal
- APNAC-Zambia
- APNAC-Zimbabwe

Arab Region Parliamentarians Against Corruption (ARPAC)

- ARPAC Algeria
- ARPAC Bahrain
- ARPAC Egypt
- ARPAC Iraq
- ARPAC Jordan
- KuPAC (Kuwait)
- LebPAC (Lebanon)
- ARPAC Libya
- MoPAC (Morocco)
- ARPAC Palestine
- YemenPAC (Yemen)

GOPAC Latin America and the Caribbean

- GOPAC Argentina
- GOPAC Brazil
- GOPAC Chile
- GOPAC Ecuador
- GOPAC El Salvador
- GOPAC Mexico
- GOPAC Peru

GOPAC Oceania

- GOPAC Australia
- GOPAC Cook Islands
- GOPAC Kiribati
- GOPAC New Zealand
- GOPAC Tonga

Southeast Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption (SEAPAC)

- GOPAC Indonesia
- GOPAC Malaysia
- GOPAC Philippines
- GOPAC Timor-Leste

South Asian Parliamentarians Against Corruption (SAPAC)

(Regional chapter in development)

- GOPAC Bangladesh
- GOPAC Nepal
- GOPAC Sri Lanka

National Chapters Not Affiliated With a Regional Chapter

- GOPAC Albania
- GOPAC Azerbaijan
- GOPAC Canada
- GOPAC Italy
- GOPAC Kyrgyzstan
- GOPAC Mongolia
- GOPAC Serbia
- GOPAC UK (The All-Party Parliamentary Group on Anti-Corruption)
- GOPAC Ukraine
In order to carry-out our programs and activities, it is crucial that we gain support from funders and partners that truly believe in what we set ourselves to accomplish.

Since 2011, GOPAC has been incredibly grateful to have maintained a core-funding agreement with the Government of Kuwait. In April 2015, we were awarded a grant by the National Endowment for Democracy (NED) to finance a one-year project on strengthening anti-corruption policies and mechanisms in the Middle East and North Africa region.

**Funders**

![National Endowment for Democracy](image-url)
Partners

- Asia Foundation
- Civil Society 20
- Corte Penal Latinoamericana y del Caribe contra el Crimen Transnacional Organizado
- Cyrus R. Vance Center for International Justice
- Financial Action Task Force
- Global Witness
- Group of States Against Corruption
- Good Governance Foundation
- Harvard Law and International Development Society
- International Anti-Corruption Academy
- Islamic Development Bank
- National Democratic Institute
- Natural Resource Governance Institute
- North Atlantic Treaty Organization Parliamentary Assembly
- Not In My Country
- Observatorio Legislativo
- Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development
- Parliamentary Centre
- ParlAmericas
- Parliamentary Network on the World Bank and the International Monetary Fund
- Tearfund
- Transparency International
- United Nations Development Programme
- United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime
- Westminster Foundation for Democracy
- Women in Parliaments Global Forum

GOPAC has Special Observer status with these organisations:
Our Leadership

GOPAC is governed by a Board of Directors composed of members of each of our regional chapters.

In March 2015, Mr. Fadli Zon (Indonesia) joined the Board as the SEAPAC representative, replacing outgoing Board member Dr Pramono Anung Wibowo (Indonesia).

Executive Committee

Chair
Ricardo Garcia Cervantes, Mexico

Vice-Chair
The Honourable Osei Kyei-Mensah-Bonsu, Ghana

Secretary
Mary King, Trinidad and Tobago

Treasurer
John Hyde, Australia

Member-at-Large and Chair of the Management Committee
Dr Naser Al Sane, Kuwait

Audit Committee

The Audit Committee, first established in the autumn of 2013, is part of GOPAC’s commitment to ensuring accountability and good governance from within the organisation. The purpose of the committee is to provide oversight of the GOPAC annual audit as well as oversight of investigations of cases of conflict of interest, misconduct, fraud, and abuse.

Chair
Fernanda Borges, Timor-Leste

The Honourable Aliou Barry, Guinea

Yasmin Ratansi, Canada

The Honourable Shakeel Shabbir Ahmed, Kenya

Board Members

Dr Mamdouh Al Abbadi, Jordan

The Honourable Mahi Bahi Ammar, Algeria

Paula Bertol, Argentina

The Honourable Andrew Little, New Zealand

The Honourable Willias Madzimure, Zimbabwe

Dr Anisul Mahmud, Bangladesh

Senator Marie Claire Mukasine, Rwanda

Sigfrido Reyes, El Salvador

Dr Mareko Tofinga, Kiribati

H.E. Tan Sri Abu Zahar Ujang, Malaysia

Dr Pramono Anung Wibowo, Indonesia

H.E. Fadli Zon, Indonesia
Our Global Task Forces

Our Global Task Forces (GTF) are panels of experts whom we consult in order to move our strategic priorities forward.

Each GTF is composed of a regionally representative group of current and former parliamentarians who have demonstrated expertise in a specific anti-corruption thematic area through their work in the public sphere or academia. Our GTFs provide expertise to support our global, regional and national anti-corruption efforts.

**Anti-Money Laundering GTF**

**Chair**
Teofisto Guingona III, Philippines
Roy Cullen, Canada
Ricardo Garcia Cervantes, Mexico
Mary King, Trinidad and Tobago
Given Lubinda, Zambia
Fernando Perez Noriega, Mexico
Robert Masitara, Botswana

**Parliamentary Ethics and Conduct GTF**

Hon Bryon Wilfert, Canada
Eva Sundari, Indonesia

**UNCAC GTF**

**Chair**
Kamarudin Jaffar, Malaysia
Dr Naser Al Sane, Kuwait
Amadou Bouare, Mali
Fuad Muradov, Azerbaijan

**Participation of Society GTF**

**Chair**
Dr Nurhayati Ali Assegaf, Indonesia
Fernanda Borges, Timor-Leste
Paula Bertol, Argentina
Hon Gerald Karuhanga, Uganda
Hon Ali Ashal, Yemen
Sen Pia Cayetano, Philippines
Jan Logie, New Zealand

**Parliamentary Oversight GTF**

**Chair**
Dr. Gavin Woods, South Africa
César Jáuregui Robles, Mexico
Hon Willis Madzimure, Zimbabwe
Dr Donya Aziz, Pakistan
Abdullrazag Al-Hegri, Yemen

Prof Antonio Eduardo Namburete, Mozambique
Our Dedicated Staff

Global Secretariat

The GOPAC Global Secretariat is located in Ottawa, Canada and serves as the professional hub of GOPAC’s worldwide network. The Global Secretariat leads GOPAC’s global projects, maintains our relations with other international and multilateral institutions, and supports our regional and national chapters. It also co-ordinates the work of our Global Task Forces across borders, implements the policies of the Board of Directors, and works with the Executive Committee to maintain accountability to our members and our partners in the international system.

Staff

- Brian Barrett, Director of Development
- Lesley Burns, Program Director
- Jean Pierre Chabot, Program Director
- Emilie Lemieux, Chief Operating Officer
- Akaash Maharaj, Chief Executive Officer
- Rob McIntosh, Finance Officer
- Ann Marie Paquet, Director of Communications
- Salim Salikaley, Communications Officer
- Emilie Salinas, Program Assistant
- Priya Sood, Program Director

Student Interns

- Edie Abdultairova, Carleton University
- Ali Bahman, Carleton University
- Laura Dueckman, Trinity Western University
- Milena Gligorovic, Carleton University
- Ziad Quader, University of Ottawa
- Elyse Surette-DiMuzio, Carleton University

Regional Secretariats

Our staff members working at the secretariats of our regional chapters are integral to the functioning of our global network of parliamentarians. They connect the members of the region with our global network, engage their national chapters on regional anti-corruption initiatives, and play a significant role in the organisation of our global events such as our biennial Global Conferences.

- APNAC, Accra, Ghana
  - Fabrice Fifonsi, Executive Director

- ARPAC, Beirut, Lebanon
  - Marie-Jose Bedran, Project Manager
  - Hasnaa Mansour, Executive Director

- GOPAC Latin America and the Caribbean, Mexico City, Mexico
  - Fernando Pérez Noriega, Executive Director

- SAPAC, Kathmandu, Nepal
  - Kedar Khadka, Executive Director

- SEAPAC, Jakarta, Indonesia
  - Endah Retnoastuti, Executive Director
To the Board of Directors of the:
GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AGAINST CORRUPTION

Report on the Financial Statements
We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AGAINST CORRUPTION, which comprise the Statement of Financial Position as at September 30, 2015, and the Statements Of Operations And Changes in Net Assets, and Cash Flows for the year then ended, and a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information.

Management’s Responsibility for the Financial Statements
Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of these financial statements in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

Auditors’ Responsibility
Our responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Canadian generally accepted auditing standards. Those standards require that we comply with ethical requirements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The procedures selected depend on the auditor’s judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial statements, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the organization’s preparation and fair presentation of the financial statements in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the organization’s internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial statements.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our qualified audit opinion.

Opinion
In our opinion, the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AGAINST CORRUPTION as at September 30, 2015, and its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Canadian accounting standards for not-for-profit organizations.

Emphasis of Matter
Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 8 to the financial statements which describes the material uncertainty that exists due to the organization’s inability to renegotiate or obtain a new source of core funding, and thus raises substantial doubt about the organization’s ability to continue as a going concern.

Parker Prins Lebano Chartered Professional Accountants Professional Corporation
Authorized to practice public accounting by the Chartered Professional Accountants of Ontario

Ottawa, Ontario
November 30, 2015
# Financial Summary

## GLOBAL ORGANIZATION OF PARLIAMENTARIANS AGAINST CORRUPTION

### STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

**AS AT SEPTEMBER 30, 2015**

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<td>Cash and unrestricted cash equivalents</td>
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<td>$893,784</td>
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<td>Accounts receivable</td>
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<td>Prepaid expenses</td>
<td>44,639</td>
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<td><strong>Total Current Assets</strong></td>
<td><strong>216,342</strong></td>
<td><strong>915,571</strong></td>
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<td>Restricted cash equivalents (note 3)</td>
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<td>39,297</td>
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<td><strong>337,485</strong></td>
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<td>Accounts payable and accrued liabilities</td>
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<td><strong>Total Current Liabilities</strong></td>
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## Statement of Operations and Changes in Net Assets

**For the Year Ended September 30, 2015**

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<td>Project revenue</td>
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<td>Other revenue</td>
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<td><strong>Total Revenue</strong></td>
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<td><strong>128,193</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Expenses</strong></td>
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<td>Amortization</td>
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<td>11,483</td>
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<td>Bad debts</td>
<td>9,075</td>
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<td>Employee salaries, benefits and overhead</td>
<td>577,901</td>
<td>721,846</td>
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<td>Professional fees</td>
<td>8,628</td>
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<td>Office expense</td>
<td>92,525</td>
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<td>Programming expense</td>
<td>30,710</td>
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<td>Travel</td>
<td>24,313</td>
<td>256,822</td>
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<td><strong>Total Expenses</strong></td>
<td><strong>761,306</strong></td>
<td><strong>1,209,125</strong></td>
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<td><strong>(Deficiency) Excess of Revenue Over Expenses</strong></td>
<td>$(735,145)</td>
<td>$(1,080,932)</td>
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<td><strong>Net Assets, Beginning of Year</strong></td>
<td>1,038,376</td>
<td>2,119,308</td>
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