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The United Nations Convention against Corruption
**Safeguarding against Corruption
in Major Public Events**

**LESSON 16: Mitigating the risk of corruption in
post-event activities**



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- Once the major event is over, there are still some activities that hold a high risk of corruption.
- Example: the process of disposal and transfer of assets for legacy use once the work of the Authority has been completed.
- At the same time, the post-event period also offers a unique opportunity to draw the lessons they have learned with respect to corruption prevention.



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In this lesson, we will:

- ✓ Identify the risks of corruption associated with the disposal of assets and measures to mitigate these risks;
- ✓ Identify the corruption risks associated with the collection of revenues, royalties, penalties after the conclusion of a major event and measures to mitigate these risks;
- ✓ Discuss the importance of drawing lessons from the experience of holding a major event in terms of corruption prevention.



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Disposal of assets

- The various assets acquired or created for the purpose of the major event must be sold, transferred, converted for legacy use, or otherwise disposed of.
- This process should be planned carefully.
- Measures must be taken by the Authority or its legal successor(s) to supervise the disposal of such assets and prevent asset losses or illegal/corrupt transfers.
- See section 9.1 of the Corruption Prevention Checklist.



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Case Study – Disposal of assets after the Beijing Olympics

The Government of China took a number of important measures to strengthen post-game supervision and the management of funds and materials to prevent asset loss after the Beijing Olympic Games.

What were, in your view, the main strengths of this plan?



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Rights of successors at the end of the Authority's mandate

- Ensuring the continuation of legal and other procedures to collect penalties, fees and royalties and recover damages that may be owed to the Authority.
- Reporting of assets and disposal of assets.
- See section 9.2 of the Corruption Prevention Checklist.



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Learning opportunities

- The considerable experience and expertise accumulated by the Authority should be shared with others.
- Lessons learned should be collected and disseminated.
- See section 9.3 of the Corruption Prevention Checklist.



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Key points to remember

- ✓ There is a considerable risk of corruption associated with the disposal and transfer of assets after the conclusion of a major event.
- ✓ There is also a risk of corruption associated with the collection of revenues, royalties, penalties after the conclusion of a major event.
- ✓ The rights of successors must be clearly established in a public and transparent way.