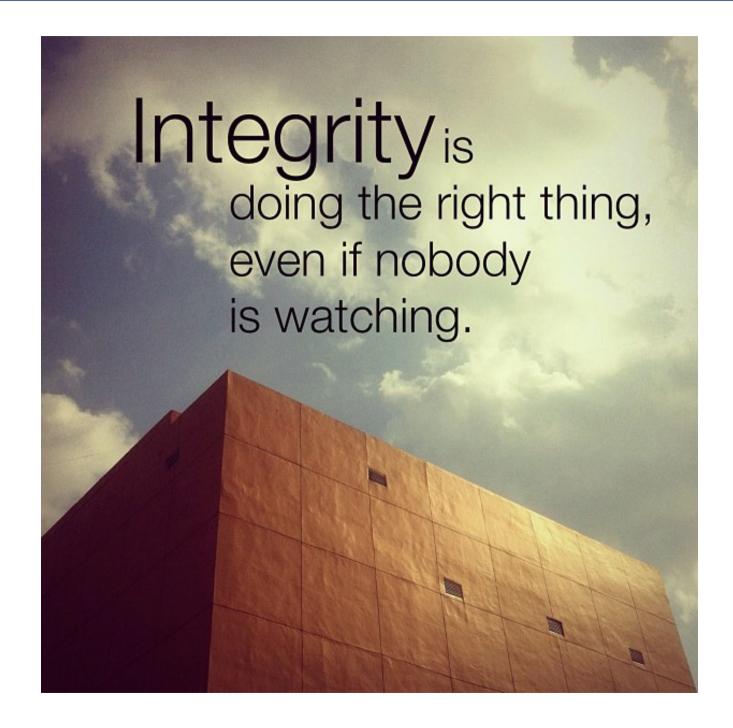


"PREVENT" – IT tool for the prevention of conflicts of interests in public procurement

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Conflict of interests in Romania

The administrative conflict of interests is defined by the civil legislation as being the situation when a person in a public position / dignity has a personal material interest which could influence the objective exercise of their official duties as per the Constitution and other regulatory provisions for all public officials.

Scope of the PREVENT mechanism

Preventing conflict of interests in the ex-ante phase of the public procurement

Objective of the PREVENT mechanism

Automatically detecting whether participants in the public bid are relatives or are connected to decision factors within the contracting authority.



"PREVENT" system – How does it work?

Contracting authority

Relevant data and info regarding decisional factors

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Relevant data and info regarding the company

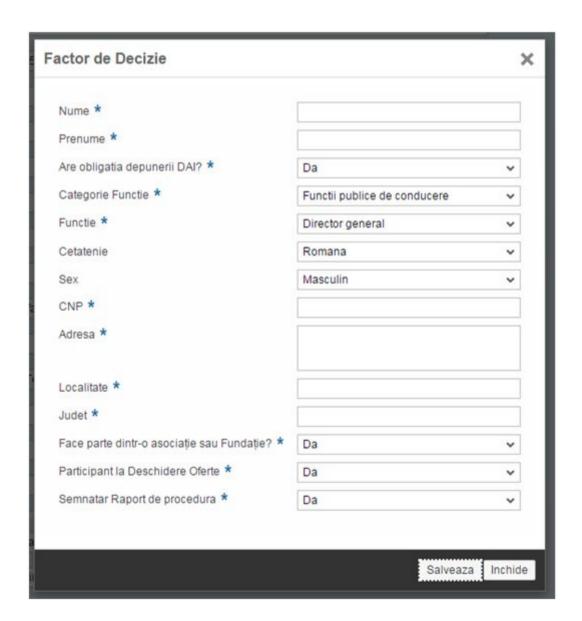


WHO FILLS IN THE INTEGRITY FORM? – MANDATORY STEP

CONTRACTING AUTHORITY

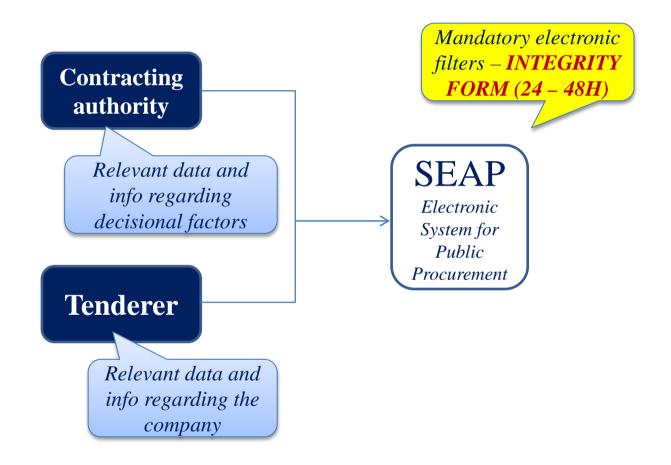
- decision factors, members of the offers evaluation commission, persons who elaborated the procurement procedure etc.

BIDDERS (companies) – administrators, shareholders, management officials etc.





"PREVENT" system – How does it work?





WHAT INFO & DATA SHALL BE DISCLOSED WITHIN THE INTEGRITY FORM?

INFO ABOUT THE PROCUREMENT PROCEDURE

- source for procurement funding
- estimated value
- contracting authority identification data
- type of contract etc.

INFO ABOUT DECISION MAKER

- personal identification data
- position within the authority
- membership within NGOs or associations etc.

INFO ABOUT CONSULTANTS

- position
- personal identification data
- tax registration no.

INFO ABOUT THE ASSESSMENT COMMISSION

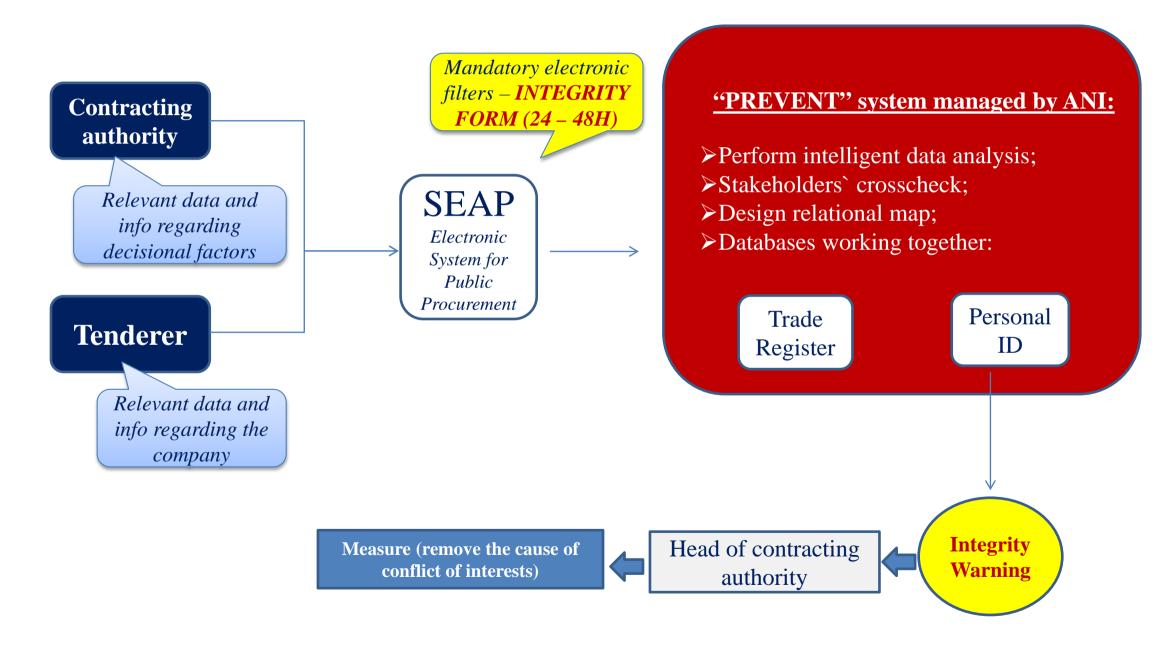
- personal identification no.
- position/ capacity
- if he/she
 worked in the
 past for the
 participating
 bidders

INFO ABOUT THE BIDDERS

- position / capacity
- tax registration number
- office address



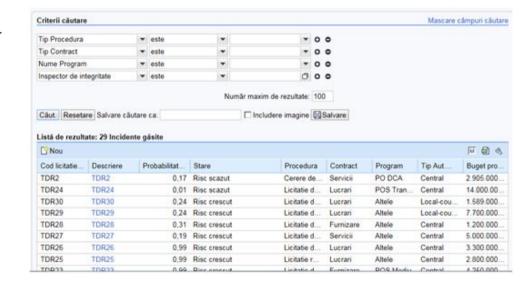
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MISCELLANIOUS

- > Prevention department established within ANI;
- ➤ Contracting authority's appointed person charged with filling in the integrity form;
- Communication through electronic channels;
- Personal data protection: data stored for a maximum period of 3 years.
- Self improving by compelling a compendium of fraud patterns
- ➤ Notifications sent to other institutions: e.g.Public Procurement Agency





What about the results of the PREVENT system?



Data obtained since June 2017 (first 15 months)

Total no. of procedures

- •16.000 procurement procedures were analyzed (out of which 8% are EU funded contracts);
- •approx. 1/2 of these procedures contains batches (80.000)

220.000 persons were taken into PREVENT analysis (meaning decision factors, members of the evaluation committees and representatives of the companies)

15.000 entities involved in the procurement procedures

- •2200 contracting authorities
- •12.800 economic operators (companies)



VALUES:

55 public procurement contracts amounting to 112.000.000 Euro would have been signed in conflict of interest in the absence of PREVENT

- Out of which 3 integrity warnings (possible conflicts of interests) were issued in procurement related to EU funds The Regional Operational Program of the European Regional Development Fund (ERDF ROP) amounting to 8.000.000 Euro;
 - In 2 cases, the contracting authority didn't remove the cause of the potential conflict of interests -> ex-officio evaluation procedure



More values:

The 16.000 procedures analyzed by PREVENT have a total value of 15.5 billion euros

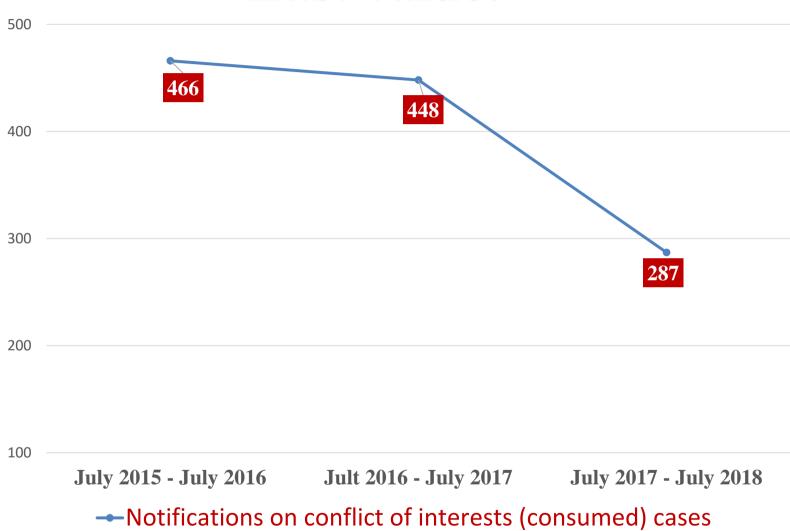
The procedure with the highest value is 600 million euros

The procedure with the lowest value is 10 euros

Average value per procedure analyzed by PREVENT - approx. 968.000 euros

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Last value:



• Notifications of commet of interests (consumed) case



Thank you!

