



International Governance Institute

...building integrity in acquiring and exercising public duty...

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From the Trustees...

Good work is now being done in the name of IGI in several countries. We are keen to improve communication, allowing you to share the useful experience of fellow-members worldwide, and informing you on how IGI is developing generally. We must help each other in the struggle to build integrity into the public life of our nations.



This is the first issue of a newsletter that we hope to send out every two months. Please let us have your comments and contributions (info@igi-integrity.org).

Zimbabwe

IGI members in Zimbabwe have developed a **Public Service Integrity Training Program Sourcebook**. This is a comprehensive package of material that can be used to train and sensitise civil servants to the issues involved in good governance.

Registration

IGI is seeking registration as a UK charity. This will increase our standing worldwide, making us a more credible force, and a more eligible partner for key projects. It will also make it easier for us to attract membership and financial support in UK and elsewhere, while carrying tax advantages. We are now awaiting a response to our latest and most detailed submission, which dealt with issues raised by the Commission.

Meanwhile, IGI-Kenya has now been registered as a Company Limited by Guarantee in Kenya.

Why do we do it...?

The Lord Jesus told His disciples, "You are the light of the world" (Matt. 5:14). IGI wants to shine into the dark parts of our communities, where power is wielded in secret.

It is not just about exposing corruption, but about enlightening ordinary people to understand the process of governance, so that they can participate for the common good. Above all it is about establishing standards of honesty and service – the standards of Christ's kingdom.

IGI in Cameroon - FITCAM

IGI has been particularly active in Cameroon recently. The Deputy Executive Director, Stephen Nkem Asek took prominent part in the Pan-African Youth Leadership Forum in Accra in June, helping with the drafting of the African Youth Charter.

FITCAM has also been active in monitoring the Cameroonian elections in July, and the report is currently being prepared.



Stephen and others at the Cameroonian Youth Ministry

Planned for future issues:

- News updates
- Features on other countries (Kenya, Somalia, etc.)
- Growth of IGI
- How does the IGI work?