



The City of New York
Department of Investigation
ROSE GILL HEARN
COMMISSIONER



80 MAIDEN LANE
NEW YORK, NY 10038
212-825-5900

Release #25-2013
nyc.gov/html/doi

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
WEDNESDAY, JULY 31, 2013**

**CONTACT: DIANE STRUZZI
(212) 825-5931**

DOI HOSTS WATCHDOG II ANTI-CORRUPTION SUMMIT

--Integrity Practitioners and Scholars from Around the World Share Innovative Perspectives--

ROSE GILL HEARN, Commissioner of the New York City Department of Investigation (“DOI”), announced the opening today of a two-day international Summit in New York City on anti-corruption strategies. Leading scholars and practitioners from Australia, Canada, South Africa, Tanzania, and the United States are participating in a series of presentations and panels to discuss their work, the latest research, successes and challenges in the fight against public corruption, and various ways that academics and policy makers can work in tandem to root it out and prevent it.

Panelists and presenters include officials representing DOI, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Prevention and Combating of Corruption Bureau of Tanzania, the Offices of the Inspectors General for the City of Chicago and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, the Tennessee Valley Authority Office of the Inspector General, the Permanent Anti-Corruption Unit for Québec, and the international non-governmental organization, Global Integrity. Scholars presenting their work and facilitating panel discussions include representatives of the Australian National University, Columbia University, Colgate University, and Yale University. The conference is part of Commissioner Gill Hearn’s continuing initiative to promote collaboration and best practices among integrity professionals and generate innovative strategies in anti-corruption programs and investigations.

DOI Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn said, “This Summit offers an exciting opportunity for the participants to discuss our experiences, lessons, and new ideas, particularly how scholarly research can assist those of us investigating corruption on a daily basis. Collaboration helps all of us find innovative solutions to the challenges we face in working to protect the integrity of our governments and our public resources. I am gratified that we are joined by such a distinguished cast of leaders and thinkers in the field and am looking forward to learning from them.”

The Summit also marks the 140th anniversary of DOI’s founding in 1873, as the Office of the Commissioners of Accounts, in response to the infamous scandal surrounding William “Boss” Tweed and his Tammany organization. The Summit is being held at the Tweed Courthouse, which serves as the headquarters of the New York City Department of Education, and at Gracie Mansion. Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg will address the participants and guests at a reception Thursday evening at Gracie Mansion, following the Summit, which will celebrate DOI’s founding and its continuing role as New York City’s independent watchdog.

Commissioner Gill Hearn thanked Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg and Chancellor Dennis M. Walcott for their support of the conference.

A list of the Summit participants is on the following page.

Summit Participants:

Marianne Camerer, Ph.D., Co-founder and International Director of the anti-corruption non-governmental organization, Global Integrity

Patrick J. Carroll, Assistant Special Agent in Charge, Federal Bureau of Investigation, New York Field Office

Natasha Chichilnsky-Heal, Yale University

Joseph Ferguson, Inspector General, Office of the Inspector General for the City of Chicago

Glenn A. Fine, partner at Dechert LLP and former Inspector General for the U.S. Department of Justice

Rose Gill Hearn, Commissioner, New York City Department of Investigation

Adam Graycar, Professor of Public Policy & Director of the Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University

Dr. Edward G. Hoseah, Director General, Prevention and Combating of Corruption Bureau (PCCB), Tanzania

Michael Johnston, Charles A. Dana Professor of Political Science, Colgate University

Robert Lafreniere, Commissioner, Permanent Anti-Corruption Unit for Québec

Paul Lagunes, Professor, Columbia University

Christopher L. McCall, attorney with Freidman, Kaplan, Seiler & Adelman

Natalie Monroe, First Assistant Inspector General for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Office of the Inspector General

Richard W. Moore, Inspector General of the Tennessee Valley Authority Office of the Inspector General

Mary E. Mulligan, partner at Friedman, Kaplan, Seiler & Adelman and former federal prosecutor

Jenik Radon, Adjunct Professor, School of International & Public Affairs, Columbia University

Susan Rose-Ackerman, Ph.D., Henry R. Luce Professor of Jurisprudence (Law and Political Science), Yale University

DOI is one of the oldest law-enforcement agencies in the country. The agency investigates and refers for prosecution City employees and contractors engaged in corrupt or fraudulent activities or unethical conduct. Investigations may involve any agency, officer, elected official or employee of the City, as well as those who do business with or receive benefits from the City.

**DOI's press releases can also be found at twitter.com/doinews
Get the worms out of the Big Apple. To report someone ripping off the City, call DOI at (212) 825-5959.**