



Committee of Inquiry into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and Tax Evasion  
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**Subject: Joint JURI - PANA Public Hearing on “The EU-wide protection of whistleblowers”**

Dear Ms. Hickey,

The Committee for Legal Affairs (JURI) and The Committee of Inquiry into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and Tax Evasion (PANA) of the European Parliament have the pleasure to invite you as a speaker in the hearing on **“The EU-wide protection of whistleblower”**. This hearing will take place on Wednesday 21 June 2017 from 09:00 - 11:00 in Parliament's premises in Brussels (room Paul Henri Spaak (PHS) 1A002).

The purpose of the hearing is to collect valuable information and recommendations from experts on the issue. The Members of the Committees would be very interested to hear about your experience on the existing rules to protect whistle-blowers in EU Member States. Any recommendation based on your experience would be very welcome.

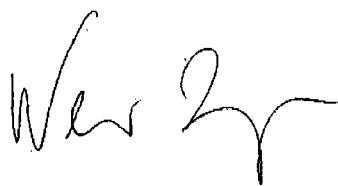
An initial statement by you of a maximum of 7 minutes would be appreciated in which you could give your views on the practice. After the opening statements by the panellists there will be a session of questions and answers with the JURI and PANA Members.

In order to optimize the preparation of the Members of the JURI and PANA Committees for the hearing, they would very much welcome your replies in writing to the questions in annex, preferably **by Friday 16 June cob.**

Should you need any additional information or should you have any queries on this hearing, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Benoit Wets (tel.: +32 2 28 34980, [benoit.wets@europarl.europa.eu](mailto:benoit.wets@europarl.europa.eu)) for content-related questions or the Secretariat of the PANA Committee ([pana-secretariat@ep.europa.eu](mailto:pana-secretariat@ep.europa.eu)).

Looking forward to seeing you on 21 June 2017.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Werner Langen', written in a cursive style.

Dr. Werner Langen

Annex:

Draft programme

Written questions