



European Parliament

Committee of Inquiry into Money Laundering, Tax Avoidance and Tax Evasion

The Chair

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Ms Karin Strenz, MdB  
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11011 Berlin  
Germany

**Subject: Invitation to the PANA Committee Hearing on 28 November 2017**

Dear Mrs Strenz,

As you will be aware, in 2016 the European Parliament set up an Inquiry Committee on tax evasion, tax avoidance and money-laundering (PANA Committee) following the revelations known as the 'Panama Papers'. I have the honour to chair this Committee.

In the framework of its work, the PANA Committee is conducting a series of hearings with representatives of EU institutions, EU Member States, business representatives, stakeholders, academia and key representatives from third countries. The aim of these hearings is to hold constructive and forward-looking dialogues with relevant key players on avenues to tackle effectively the topics of relevance to our committee. We have adopted our report and draft recommendations on 18 October. The final recommendation is scheduled for debate and vote during December part session in Strasbourg.

The Members of our Committee have decided that they wish to invite you in your capacity as Member of the German Parliament to our upcoming hearing. I therefore hereby invite you to this PANA Committee hearing on 28 November 2017, from 10.00 - 12.30 in Parliament's premises in Brussels.

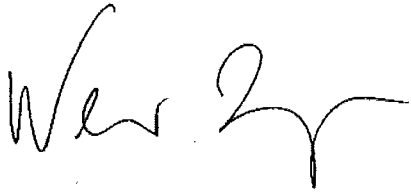
The purpose of this hearing is to discuss the case of money laundering and the Azerbaijan Laundromat following the above-mentioned revelations, notably with regard to tax transparency and exchange of information in tax matters. For your information, there will also be a first panel in this hearing that will discuss the case of NLB Group Slovenia revelations.

You would be invited to make an initial statement of maximum 7 minutes. After the opening statement there will be a session of questions and answers with the Committee Members.

Should you need any additional information or should you have any queries on this hearing, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Elisabeth Kavalierakis (tel.: +32 2 28 46375, [elisabeth.kavalierakis@ep.europa.eu](mailto:elisabeth.kavalierakis@ep.europa.eu)) for content-related questions or the Secretariat of the PANA Committee ([pana-secretariat@ep.europa.eu](mailto:pana-secretariat@ep.europa.eu)).

I hope you will be in a position to accept this invitation and I look forward to your reply.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Werner Langen'. The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name 'Werner' written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name 'Langen'.

Dr. Werner Langen



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## **PUBLIC HEARING**

### **"MONEY LAUNDERING: THE CASE OF NLB FINANCIAL GROUP SLOVENIA AND AZERBAIJAN LAUNDROMAT REVELATIONS"**

**FIRST PANEL: NLB FINANCIAL GROUP SLOVENIA**

**SECOND PANEL: AZERBAIJAN LAUNDROMAT REVELATIONS**

**TUESDAY, 28 NOVEMBER 2017**

10.00 - 12.30

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### **DRAFT PROGRAMME**

**10:00 - 10:10 Welcome by the PANA Chair**

**10:10 - 10:30 First panel: NLB financial group Slovenia -  
Presentations by speakers**

- Mr Anze Logar, MP, President of the Commission for identifying irregularities in banks (tbc)
- Mr Borut Mekina, journalist from Mladina newspaper(tbc)

**10.30 - 11.15 Discussion with PANA Members**

**11:15 - 11:35 Second panel: Azerbaijan Laundromat revelations -  
Presentations by speakers**

- Mrs Karin Strenz, Member of German Parliament (tbc)
- Mrs Eva Jung from Danish newspaper Berlingske (tbc)
- Representative from Transparency International (tbc)



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**11.35 - 12.25 Discussion with PANA Members**

**12:25 - 12:30 Conclusions by the PANA Chair**