

# What is wrong with this anticorruption work?

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# Citizens Network Watchdog Poland

- Grassroot organized movement;
- With a goal to combat corruption, pathologies in public life and to promote ethical public life;
- Using the „best-ever” tool to change the institutions which is.... Access to Public Information.



# State of Play

- Generally no state capture
- Generally no petty corruption
- There is a specialized institution – Central Anticorruption Office
- There is a law on lobbying
- Political parties activities have to be transparent
- There are some provisions connected with conflict of interest prevention

# Obstacles to be effective

- Politicization
- Lack of strategic thinking
- Artificial and accidental efforts
- Lack of consequences for those who break the law
- Lack of understanding on conflict of interests and ethical standards
- Lack of investigative journalism
- Problem with system of dependencies on the local level

# What needs to be done

- Laws: how the law is done; whistleblowers protection
- Reflection of political scandals (unpoliticization); execution of law
- Ethical work with conflict of interest
- Transparency of political life
- Better media
- Using the NGO work by politicians and decision makers
- Changing „something” on the local level (more law execution? Independent media? More watchdogs?)

# Activities undertaken within 16 years in PL

- Public campaigns
- Translation of key publications
- Social research
- Work in interdisciplinary groups
- Advocacy for key solutions
- Monitoring of key laws
- Collecting electoral promises
- Expert work in implementing international standards
- Promotion of independent and investigative journalism
- Expert work for public administration
- Civic education
- Building of independent watchdog movement

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