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3 IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS

CAPAR assessments drive meaningful reform

In 2024 we developed a first-of-its-kind methodology to assess implementation of the Common African Position on Asset Recovery and supported five CSOs to conduct national assessments. In 2025, these assessments helped our partner in Cote d'Ivoire to begin a new cooperation with the Financial Intelligence Unit and Asset Recovery Agency for asset recovery reform, and our partner in Morocco to successfully advocate for the creation a new asset recovery agency.

Securing civil society space and advocating for social reuse

Sustained engagement with African Union institutions, particularly the AU-ABC and advocacy at the first African Union Asset Recovery Practitioners Forum led to the formal inclusion of civil society in this new regional platform – important in making the platform transparent and enabling the voices of corruption victims to be heard. We also secured the agreement of officials in the Working Group on Asset Management to look at the social reuse of assets and concrete transparency measures within the plans of the Forum.

Putting asset recovery data transparency on the global agenda

Asset recovery data publication internationally and at the national level has long been a challenge, with few countries publishing consistent information about cases and fewer publishing statistics. In 2025, we worked with the UK on a data transparency project, published a survey with the UNCAC Coalition on data availability, supported a TI France project on data transmission to the Stolen Asset Recovery Initiative database, and co-organised an event on asset recovery data transparency at the UNCAC CoSP. This approach paid off, with several countries agreeing to explore how to publish data more consistently by the end of the year.

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2025 IN NUMBERS

FIGURES HIGHLIGHTING SOME OF OUR ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2025

SETTING STANDARDS

New international and regional level standards and CSO-led principles, reports and best practice recommendations on asset recovery policy are developed and promoted



4

New reports

Four new reports launched: one on victim inclusion in asset recovery and three on real estate and illicit finance



18,000

Visitors

Sanctions Watch increased to 18k visitors for the year, up from 12k in 2024. The Platform was also regularly quoted and described in academic papers and expert analysis.

IMPLEMENTING REFORMS

Best practices and international standards on asset recovery are implemented at the national, regional and global levels



19

CSO partners supported

19 CSO partners supported in advocating for legal and policy reform in 2025



25

CSO staff trained

237

Persons trained in EG

25 CSO staff from CSOs in Latin America trained on asset recovery, 237 women and youth and 11 CSO members trained through Equatorial Guinea partners



8

Policy submissions

8 submissions or policy documents commented on at the international and regional levels promoting civil society asset recovery principles

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ADVANCING TRANSPARENCY

More information on asset recovery is made publicly available through investigations, data gathering and reporting by investigative journalists and CSOs



15

Jurisdictions

15 jurisdictions data transparency frameworks assessed in a new paper together with the UNCAC Coalition



6

Commitments

Six governments committed to discuss grand corruption data publication through a joint project that we were substantially involved in

NETWORKS FOR CHANGE

Stronger CSO and journalist cross-border networks with CiFAR as a global and regional hub for asset recovery



5

Networks

Two civil society networks that we chair or provide secretariat for and three case-based CSO coalitions that we are part of



10

Meetings

10 meetings organised throughout the year for the networks