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WORLD BANK INTRODUCES NEW INTEGRITY APP AT THE INTERNATIONAL ANTI-CORRUPTION CONFERENCE

BRASILIA, **November 8**, **2012**—The World Bank today announced the release of its new Integrity App at the International Anti-Corruption Conference in Brazil, a gathering of civil society organizations as well as government enforcement officials.

"Technology is critical to helping us globalize the fight against corruption and to linking individual efforts around the world," said Stephen Zimmermann, World Bank Director of Operations at the Integrity Vice Presidency. "To investigate fraud and corruption allegations in World Bank-financed projects, we rely mainly on information received from World Bank staff, citizens and other interested parties who may not always know what information or evidence to report. This innovative App will make give interested parties instant access to project information and a guided process to immediately report concerns of corruption in Bank-financed projects," he added.

Designed to protect the anonymity of complainants and confidentiality of their report, the Integrity App will provide World Bank investigators with critical information to ensuring the integrity of Bank-financed operations.

The new App also complements other tools and information resources that the World Bank is investing in to support the detection of fraud and corruption impacting development results. "Mobilizing technology in the fight against corruption is one of the priorities we will continue to work on with national authorities, private companies and civil society to ensure that we are one step ahead and that development progress is not undermined," said Leonard McCarthy, World Bank Integrity Vice President.

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For more information on the World Bank Integrity Vice Presidency, please visit: www.worldbank.org/integrity

The World Bank Integrity App is available for the IOS platform through the iTunes store

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