Regional Anti-Corruption Initiative – RAI

- Intergovernmental regional organization
- Initially established in 2000 as SPAI, RAI as of 2007
- Steering Group and Secretariat
- Secretariat based in Sarajevo, BiH
RAI

- **Members:** Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, North Macedonia, Moldova, Montenegro, Romania and Serbia
- **Observers:** Poland, Georgia and Slovenia
- Kosovo* is a beneficiary of RAI activities

*This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

RAI activities

- SEE Regional Programme on Strengthening the Capacity of Anti-corruption Authorities and Civil Society to Combat Corruption and Contribute to the UNCAC Review Process

- Three components: Corruption Proofing of Legislation (CPL), Corruption Risk Assessment (CRA) and development of an International Treaty on Data Exchange for the Verification of Asset Declarations
RAI activities

- Purpose of the Treaty
- In July 2017, the Treaty has received strong political support at WB6 Trieste Summit
- In 2018 and 2019 political negotiations successfully accomplished

RAI activities

- **Whistleblowers Protection**
  - SEE Coalition on Whistleblowers Protection
  - support in its establishment
  - comparative analyses
  - new regional project funded by the EC
- **Asset Recovery**
  - Scoping mission (current legal framework and practice, human rights perspective)
  - 2 year regional project, funded by the UK and supported by the KAS
- **Summer School**
Thank you for your kind attention!

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