

Special Issue

Building a Culture of Integrity: The Role of Anti-Corruption Laws

Message from the Guest Editor

The relationship between law and corruption is intricate and multifaceted, shaped by varying disciplinary perspectives and contextual realities. Monique Nuijten and Gerhard Anders' seminal research (2007) offered an anthropological lens on this interplay, revealing the hidden continuities between corruption and law. They provocatively argued that corruption and law, often perceived as opposites, are deeply intertwined, with the potential for corruption embedded within legal systems themselves. This Special Issue seeks to revisit this critical question, challenging scholars and practitioners to engage with or refute this claim in light of contemporary developments. Through this Special Issue, we aim to foster a deeper understanding of how legal instruments can advance accountability and integrity while addressing the power dynamics, inequalities, and challenges that complicate their implementation. By bringing together diverse perspectives, this volume seeks to illuminate the potential and limitations of law in constructing a world where integrity prevails over corruption.

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