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## The Role of Corruption in Recent Events in Ukraine

Dr. Olena Shostko, TraCCC Visiting Fulbright Scholar



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The Ukrainian revolution of 2013-2014, which led to the overthrow of the Yanukovich regime, was motivated in large part by systemic corruption and a kleptocratic regime. TraCCC's Visiting Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Olena Shostko, will examine how the power structures in this regime came about, how the preceding government failed to fight against corruption, and what initial decisions the new government has made regarding anti-corruption. She will also discuss the next steps for Ukraine, and the role of the international community in seeking and recovering the dirty assets of Ukrainian Politically Exposed Persons.

**Olena Shostko** is Professor of Criminology at the Yaroslav the Wise National Law University (Kharkiv, Ukraine). She specializes in organized crime, anticorruption, and comparative criminal justice. Since 2005, she has been heavily involved with the *European Sourcebook of Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics*, serving as National Correspondent for Ukraine. She has authored more than 90 scholarly and methodological works, including the monograph (in Ukrainian) *Counteracting Organized Crime in European Countries* (Pravo, 2009). Dr. Shostko has participated in numerous international exchange programs, and is a 2013-2014 Fulbright Scholar.

**Introduction given by Dr. Louise Shelley, University Professor and Director of TraCCC**

**Date:** Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2014, 12:00-1:30pm  
**Location:** Room 120, Founders Hall  
3351 Fairfax Drive  
Arlington, VA 22201  
(Virginia Square Metro Stop)

**Attendees are welcome to bring lunch; beverages will be provided**

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