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What does bringing attention to corruption and integrity lens bring to how we understand the current context of rising militarisation and defence budgets, decreasing development funding and declining interest in investments in peace? Can a view towards the principles and practices of integrity help navigate through any current problems or reveal hidden insecurities that we need to pay more attention to? This panel explores how an integrity and anti-corruption lens adds to addressing global governance and security challenges within and linked to defence and security institutions.

Integrity is a concept and practice connected to anti-corruption measures, in which various practices, institutions, oversight and accountability systems and structures are in place to prevent and address multiple types of corruption. In recent years, there is an increased focus on corruption risks and anti-corruption measures in defence and security institutions. But an integrity lens also invites us to critique the gap between policy and practice, for instance in various protection frameworks, including RtoP, WPS, and POC, as well as the role of values and norms in implementing these frameworks. Defence and Security Institutions are one set of actors, among others, meant to be operating in implementing these frameworks.

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