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World Bank Lecture: The Effects of Corruption on Health

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Michelle Ratpan works as a Litigation Specialist for the Special Litigation Unit in the World Bank’s Integrity Vice Presidency (INT). In this capacity, Michelle works as an attorney with several teams of investigators examining allegations of corruption, fraud, collusion, obstruction and/or coercion and bringing these matters before a Sanctions Board within the World Bank. Michelle’s work includes investigations in several regions of the world including the Middle East and North Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia and South Asia Regions. Michelle has traveled to Russia, Serbia, Moldova, France, Denmark, India and Bangladesh as part of INT’s investigations. Prior to joining INT, Michelle worked for the Department of Justice (Canada) acting as Counsel on behalf of the Attorney General of Canada. Over the course of her five years with the Department of Justice, Michelle’s practice included litigation in civil, administrative, constitutional and criminal law. Michelle led complex litigation files and argued cases before the Federal Court and Federal Court of Appeal. As part of larger litigation teams, she acted as Counsel on several cases heard before the Supreme Court of Canada. Michelle is a graduate of McGill University’s Faculty of Law in Montreal, Canada where she focused her studies on criminal and international criminal law. She is also a graduate of Georgetown University’s Global Health Law and International Institutions LLM program.

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Robert Delonis is a Senior Litigation Specialist in the World Bank Group Integrity Vice Presidency (INT). He advises INT investigators regarding their inquiries into allegations of fraud, corruption, collusion, and coercion affecting World Bank–supported activities; argues resulting sanctions cases in the World Bank Group’s administrative sanctions system; and leads the negotiation of settlements in cases where an amicable resolution is pursued. Prior to the formation of INT’s Special Litigation Unit, he was a core team member on INT’s Detailed Implementation Review of the India Health Sector, and a team member (and, briefly, acting head) of INT’s Voluntary Disclosure Program. Before joining INT in 2006, he practiced law in the Washington, D.C. office of a multinational law firm, focusing on civil litigation. He is a graduate of Georgetown University and New York University School of Law.

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