Record Nr. UNINA9910809012503321 Autore Spector Bertram I (Bertram Irwin), <1949-> **Titolo** Detecting corruption in developing countries [[electronic resource]]: identifying causes/ strategies for action / / Bertram I. Spector Sterling, Va., : Kumarian Press, 2012 Pubbl/distr/stampa 1-56549-481-4 **ISBN** Edizione [1st ed.] 1 online resource (324 p.) Descrizione fisica 363.25/9323091724 Disciplina Soggetti Corruption - Developing countries Public administration - Corrupt practices - Developing countries Corruption - Developing countries - Prevention Lingua di pubblicazione Inglese **Formato** Materiale a stampa Livello bibliografico Monografia Note generali Description based upon print version of record. Includes bibliographical references and index. Nota di bibliografia Nota di contenuto Corruption detectives -- Corruption hurts -- Assessing corruption --Self-assessments -- An integrated diagnostic approach -- Cases: Ukraine I (2005); Ukraine II (2006-2009); Senegal (2007); Honduras (2008); Timor Leste -- Toward accountable solutions -- Bibliography -- Annex A. Anticorruption resource links -- Annex B. Self-assessment checklist. Sommario/riassunto Excessive government discretion, bribery and abuse of power for private benefit are widespread phenomena in developing countries. This corruption results in hundreds and thousands of citizens going without the critical public services they are entitled to or rely on. Corruption occurs at all levels of society, from local and national governments, civil society, judiciary functions and small and large businesses alike, leaving little room for a country's development and economic growth. To combat corruption in developing countries, policy makers must understand the problem and devise a meaningful strategy that attacks its underlying causes and not just deals with its symptoms. Detecting Corruption merges scholarship on corruption assessments with practical techniques on ways practitioners and policy makers can implement anticorruption assistance. Spector argue that assessments

need to adopt a comprehensive "whole of government" approach that examines all key sectors where there are corruption vulnerabilities. Strong accountability/control measures need to be designed and

implemented across all sectors into a multidimensional strategy/program. Detailed case studies from the author's work in Ukraine, Honduras, Senegal and Timor Leste show the effectiveness of the comprehensive approach to corruption.