Evidence
Our sector is often criticised for voicing good intentional language, but with few facts and figures to substantiate them. While more illustrative evidence is given this year (e.g. mainstreaming of projects supporting victims and witnesses into approaches that are central to the work of TI Chapters and informing global advocacy), this could still be improved in regard to showing that described procedures and policies have actually been effective and led to positive management response (e.g. new Gender and Diversity or Whistleblower Policy, newly appointed ombudsman).

Actions taken
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Working with National Chapters
TI-S is asked to clarify how it ensures that its accountability commitments become more relevant at National Chapter level. This also includes their self-set target to better mainstreaming the accountability report and the Panel feedback across the Movement.

It is acknowledged that the organisation will show updates of their complaints mechanisms in the 2015 report, and how these relate to those of National Chapters. How is the relationship between National Chapters and TI-S in regard to handling feedback? For example, how are complaints received at Chapter level against TI-S forwarded to the International Secretariat?

Regarding the Movement-wide ethics structure, TI-S’ Code of Ethical Advocacy applies currently foremost to TI-S but adoption will be encouraged within the TI Movement and by coalitions they work with. It will be interesting to see in the future how TI-S ensures that National Chapters and partners meet these high standards of accountability and do not engage in illegal / unethical practices.

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Environmental Sustainability (EN16 & EN18)
Greenhouse gas emissions increased by one third in 2014 which might be due to more consultant and volunteer travel and to increased activities with National Chapters. Moreover, an overarching Environmental Policy is yet to be developed but shall also specify the approach to minimising environmental impact in TI-S’ activities and services. The Panel appreciates progress in this important area.

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