Laos

Overall Risk Score: 73
Risk Level: high

This score is a composite of the four domain scores discussed below, which are weighted and combined to produce the overall country risk score. Each country is given a score from 1 to 100 for each domain and for the total bribery risk. A higher score indicates a higher risk of business bribery. Assessments of whether a given domain score is “good” or “poor” are made relative to all other jurisdictions within that domain.

1. Business Interactions with Government: Laos receives a poor score of 68 in this domain, based on a high degree of government interaction, a high expectation of bribes, and a high regulatory burden.

2. Anti-bribery Deterrence and Enforcement: Laos receives a poor score of 62 in this domain, based on a medium quality of anti-bribery dissuasion and a low quality of anti-bribery enforcement.

3. Government and Civil Service Transparency: Laos receives a poor score of 80 in this domain, based on poor governmental transparency and poor transparency of financial interests.

4. Capacity for Civil Society Oversight: Laos receives a very poor score of 83 in this domain, based on a very low degree of media freedom/quality and a very low degree of civil society engagement.

TRACE Bribery Risk Typology:
Fragile authoritarian state

This group is characterized by unstable states with quasi-authoritarian leaders that do not have the opportunity to enrich themselves using oil.

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