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### Abstract

This textbook is an attempt to provide a holistic and contemporary approach to the phenomenon of corruption. More specifically, a theoretical approach to the phenomenon of corruption is being attempted as well as an illustration of the main approaches of the international literature regarding the research of the phenomenon of corruption. As corruption is a complex and often difficult to define phenomenon, the main definitions that

have been used internationally, the causal factors, the consequences as well as the essential differences between perceived and real levels of corruption are being analyzed. In the next stage, the multifaceted measures to combat the phenomenon of corruption are examined. Special emphasis is given to the –often ignored– relationship between organized crime, money laundering, international financial relations and corruption.

