



## Partnership for Good Governance II (2019-2022)

### Project: Support to further strengthening the efficiency and quality of the judicial system in the Republic of Moldova

#### What is the goal?

- ▶ To improve the functioning of the justice system through strengthened efficiency and quality of courts and a better system of enforcement of court decisions.

#### Who benefits from the project?

- ▶ General public and court users will benefit from improved protection of their rights through the quicker provision of judicial services of higher quality.
- ▶ The parties in civil and administrative litigation will benefit from more effective, timely and efficient enforcement of court decisions.
- ▶ Superior Council of Magistrates, Ministry of Justice, National Union of Bailiffs, and the National Institute of Justice will benefit from guidance, capacity building and training of their members and staff.

#### How does the project work?

- ▶ The project relies on the methodology developed by the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ) for evaluating the day-to-day functioning of the judicial systems and for promoting the efficiency and quality of the public service of justice.
- ▶ The capacity of judicial administration to assess the performance of national courts and to take decisions with regard to the distribution of resources based on needs, efficiency and quality will be increased.
- ▶ CEPEJ will facilitate the implementation of its tools by the bailiffs, leading to a modernisation of services provided to the public.
- ▶ It builds on the results of co-operation in the field of justice under PGG Phase I (2015-2018).

#### What do we expect to achieve?

- ▶ Evidence-based justice sector policies and a system of monitoring of the progress and of the impact of judicial reforms.
- ▶ Improved collection, reporting and analysis of data on the efficiency and quality of the courts and of the enforcement system.
- ▶ The mechanisms for judicial transparency and accountability are consolidated.
- ▶ The system of enforcement of court decisions in civil and administrative cases is improved through better management, as well as strengthened capacities and professionalism of bailiffs.
- ▶ Bailiffs are given new tools, such as the electronic register of enforceable documents and proceedings and a new commentary to the Enforcement Code.

## How much does it cost?

- ▶ The total budget is EUR 600 000.
- ▶ 80% is funded by the European Union and 20% by the Council of Europe. The programme is implemented by the Council of Europe.

## Where can I learn more?

- ▶ Co-operation Unit of the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ), Justice and Legal Co-operation Department, Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law.

## What is the project duration?

- ▶ The project runs from 1 January 2020 to 31 August 2022.

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*In April 2014, the European Union and the Council of Europe agreed that targeted co-operation activities with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus – the EU's Eastern Partnership countries – would be implemented under the Partnership for Good Governance programme. The phase I of the programme (PGG I) started in 2015 and was completed in 2018; the second phase of the programme (PGG II) was launched in 2019 and will run until August 2022.*

*These co-operation activities aim to strengthen the capacity of the Eastern Partnership countries, which are member States of the Council of Europe, with the exception of Belarus, to implement domestic reforms to bring them closer to European standards in the fields of human rights, democracy and the rule of law.*