

# Programmatic Cooperation Framework for Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus



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## ARMENIA: projects under the EU-Council of Europe Programmatic Cooperation Framework

### What is the Programmatic Cooperation Framework?

In April 2014, the European Union and the Council of Europe agreed to implement targeted cooperation activities with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus - the EU's Eastern Partnership countries - to bring them closer to European standards in the fields of human rights, democracy and the rule of law. The projects are implemented under the 'Programmatic Cooperation Framework' (PCF) in 2015-2017. These cooperation activities will help Eastern Partnership countries carry out democratic domestic reforms. The projects are funded primarily by the EU, and the Council of Europe co-funds and implements them.

### What will be done in Armenia?

There are **four country-specific projects for Armenia**, with a **total budget of € 2.2 million**:

- ▶ **Strengthening Healthcare and Human Rights Protection in Prisons in Armenia:**  
Under the project, assessment of needs of prison healthcare in Armenia, revision of legislation, procurement of medical equipment for 11 healthcare units, and training on medical ethics and health promotion will be done. The project is running from March 2015 until February 2017; its budget is 900,000 Euros.
- ▶ **Supporting the criminal justice reform and combating ill-treatment and impunity in Armenia**  
The project will strengthen institutional mechanisms, legislation, and train prosecutors and investigators to combat ill-treatment and impunity in the criminal justice system. The project is running from July 2015 to July 2017; its budget is 500,000 Euros.
- ▶ **Strengthening Integrity and Combatting Corruption in Higher Education in Armenia:**  
The project will promote legal mechanisms for ensuring integrity and fighting corruption, as well as training courses and introduce model codes of ethics for educators and students. The project is running from January 2015 to December 2016; its budget is 400,000 Euros.
- ▶ **Long term electoral assistance to the election related stakeholders of Armenia:**  
The project aims to improve legislation, train electoral bodies staff and judges, and strengthen mechanism of settling electoral disputes. The project is running from January 2015 to December 2017; its total budget is 95,000 Euros.

Armenia also participates in 14 regional projects covering several Eastern Partnership countries. All Eastern Partnership countries, with the exception of Belarus, are members of the Council of Europe.

For more information see <http://eap-pcf-eu.coe.int>

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