

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

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Cybercrime@EAP II: regional and international cooperation (Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine)

Regional Project

Who will benefit?

- ▶ Mutual Legal Assistance Authorities (Ministries of Justice; Prosecutors' Offices) in the six EaP countries;
- ▶ 24/7 points of contact in the six EaP countries;

The aims of the project

- ▶ To optimise the regional and international cooperation on cybercrime and electronic evidence;
- ▶ To improve the skills and tools for international co-operation on cybercrime and electronic evidence of the Mutual Legal Assistance Authorities in the six EaP countries;
- ▶ To strengthen the role of 24/7 points of contact in the six EaP countries;
- ▶ To improve and amend the procedures and rules on mutual legal assistance on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the six EaP countries;

How will the project work?

- ▶ Through Working Group on Mutual Legal Assistance (representatives from Ministries of Justice and Prosecutor's Offices in the six EaP countries);
- ▶ through Working Group on 24/7 Points of Contact;
- ▶ through international partners – Estonia, France, Germany, the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Portugal, Romania, the USA, Europol, Eurojust;

Project activities

- ▶ 3 Regional meetings of the representatives of the Mutual Legal Assistance Working Group;
- ▶ 3 Regional Meetings of the representatives of the 24/7 points of Contact Working Group;
- ▶ Developing of recommendations for amending and improving the procedures and rules on mutual legal assistance on cybercrime and electronic evidence in the form of Assessment Report;
- ▶ Implementation of the recommendations through country specific meetings, trainings; amendments of procedures and penal legislation (whenever necessary);
- ▶ Establishment of a platform on International Cooperation on Cybercrime;
- ▶ Development of online information resource on International Cooperation on Cybercrime;

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How much will it cost?

- ▶ The total budget of the project is 800,000 Euros

Length of project

- ▶ the programme will run from 1 May 2015 – 31 October 2017
- ▶ the project was launched on 9-11 September 2015 in Bucharest, Romania

Who is responsible for the project?

- ▶ The project is implemented by the Cybercrime Programme Office (C-PROC) of the Council of Europe

For more information

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In April 2014, the European Union and the Council of Europe agreed that targeted cooperation activities with Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus - the EU's Eastern Partnership countries - would be implemented under a 'Programmatic Cooperation Framework' (PCF).

These cooperation activities will strengthen the capacity of 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.

The overall PCF budget for 2015-2017 is €33.8 million.