Voluntary Contribution "Support to the Establishment of Probation Service in Armenia" Project in Armenia





Project title	"Support to the Establishment of Probation Service in Armenia"
Duration	24 months (1 May 2014 - 30 April 2016)
Partners	MoJ, Office of the Prosecutor General, judiciary, Bar Association, Ministry of Labour and Social Issues (Employment Agency), National Assembly, Human Rights Defender's Office, academic institutions, civil society organizations
Total project cost	€ 554 700
Funding	Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway
Implementation	Council of Europe
Project objectives	Establishment of the probation service pilots in Armenia in line with the Council of Europe standards.
Project expected results	 Technical support (including legal support) related to probation service, including Electronic Monitoring (EM) in two pilot regions of Armenia (in line with Council of Europe standards) is provided; Probation service staff and other related professionals in pilot regions are trained and acquainted with European standards and best European practices in the field
Core foreseen activities	 Legal analyses on compliance with Council of Europe standards of current and draft legislation (including by-laws) on probation; Development and implementation of a comprehensive Action Plan for the establishment of pilots on probation in two regions; Procurement and instalment of equipment for probation units and EM system; Impact study on pilots; Development of training curricula on probation for initial and in-depth training; Training of national trainers from training institutions and universities; Training of 200 probation staff and other related professionals; Development of two pre/post release programmes for offenders; Development of a guideline on ethical standards regarding the EM; Training of staff on EM software.