



# GRECO IN THE MIDST OF ITS FOURTH EVALUATION ROUND

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## GRECO's outreach today:

#### 49 Member States:

all Council of Europe member States as well as Belarus and the United States of America:

Albania, Andorra, Armenia, Austria, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Cyprus, Czech Republic, Denmark, Estonia, Finland, France, Georgia, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Iceland, Ireland, Italy, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Malta, Moldova, Monaco, Montenegro, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Romania, Russian Federation, San Marino, Republic of Serbia, Slovak Republic, Slovenia, Spain, Sweden, Switzerland, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom and USA.

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### **GRECO's objective:**

- to monitor compliance with the Council of Europe's anti-corruption standards
- establish standards where appropriate and necessary
- identify deficiencies and prompt reforms
- promote and share good practices

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#### **GRECO's working methods:**

- dynamic process of mutual evaluation and peer pressure
- impact assessment mechanism



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#### **GRECO's evaluation procedure:**

- Evaluation Rounds based on a specific theme
- Questionnaire and on-site visit
- Country-specific evaluation report
- Publication of the report
- Compliance procedure and publication of its results



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Since 1 January 2012

#### **Evaluation theme:**

 Corruption prevention in respect of members of Parliament, judges and prosecutors



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Prevention of corruption in respect of members of parliament, judges and prosecutors

Sub-Themes examined:

- \* ethical principles and rules of conduct
- \* conflict of interest
- \* prohibition or restriction of certain activities
- \* declaration of assets, income, liabilities and interests
- \* enforcement of the rules regarding conflicts of interest
- \* awareness

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13 Evaluation Reports adopted+published: Estonia, Finland, Iceland, Latvia, Luxembourg, Netherlands, Poland, Slovenia, United Kingdom, Sweden, France, Spain, "The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", 4 Evaluation Reports adopted Slovak Republic, Albania, Belgium, Denmark



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#### 12 evaluations under way:

Croatia, Norway (on the agenda of the 64<sup>th</sup> GRECO plenary meeting June 2014);

Germany, Ireland, Azerbaijan (on-site visit completed or imminent).

Lithuania, Malta, Hungary, Bulgaria; Greece, Montenegro, Serbia (on-site visit fixed or planned for 2014)



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UNCAC Article 11. Measures relating to the judiciary and prosecution services

1. Bearing in mind the independence of the judiciary and its crucial role in combating corruption, each State Party shall, in accordance with the fundamental principles of its legal system and without prejudice to judicial independence, take measures to strengthen integrity and to prevent opportunities for corruption among members of the judiciary. Such measures may include rules with respect to the conduct of members of the judiciary.

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UNCAC Article 11. Measures relating to the judiciary and prosecution services

2. Measures to the same effect as those taken pursuant to paragraph 1 of this article may be introduced and applied within the prosecution service in those States Parties where it does not form part of the judiciary but enjoys independence similar to that of the judicial service..

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**UNCAC Article 7. Public sector** 

1. Each State Party shall, where appropriate and in accordance with the fundamental principles of its legal system, endeavour to ......



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Recommendations on judges and prosecutors focus on

- Transparency, accountability, rule of law, independence
- Judicial and prosecutorial careers
- Codes of conduct
- Conflicts of interest, gifts
- Declarations of assets etc
- Disciplinary measures



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# Evaluation and compliance reports as well as other relevant information at:

www.coe.int/greco



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