



# Project against Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing in Serbia MOLI Serbia

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Project title	Project against Money Laundering and Terrorist Financing in Serbia (MOLI Serbia)	
Project duration	42 months (15 November 2010 – 14 May 2014)	
Implementation	Economic Crime Cooperation Unit, Action against Crime Department (DGI-Human Rights and Rule of Law)	
Project budget	EUR 2 200 000	
Reporting Period	1 December – 31 December 2013	
Reporting Date	5 January 2013	
SUMMARY OF THE CURRENT STATUS OF THE PROJECT AGAINST INDICATORS		
Activity	Presentation for Members of Parliament on aspects of the fight against AML/CFT issues and on the functioning of AML/CFT institutions, 6 December 2013	
Output	Activity 2.2.3	
Reference		
Aim	To raise awareness of Members of Parliament on the efforts undertaken by the state to increase the effectiveness of the fight against money laundering and terrorism financing.	
Outcome	The activity has been efficient in raising the awareness of parliamentarians on general issues pertaining to AML/CFT as well as specific problems in the functioning of the system. The event opened with a brief presentation of the MOLI Serbia project, its modalities and achievements to date, as presented by Ms Teodora Lukovic, LPO, followed by a presentation by Mr Milovan Milovanovic, Director of APML, on the functioning of the AML/CFT system in Serbia, including a summary of most important legal instruments, institutions involved in the prevention of money laundering, the international bodies responsible for monitoring of anti-money laundering activities, as well as details on supervision and legal obligors in the Serbian AML/CFT system. All attendants were also provided with a copy of the AML/CFT system infographic prepared by the MOLI Project. MPs characterized the situation with APML working conditions as appalling, and pledged their commitment to facilitate the APML in securing a new premises. MPs expressed great interest in the subject overall and extended an invitation to APML to attend parliamentary committee meetings occasionally and update MPs on progress being made in the field of AML/CFT.	
Follow-up	Another event of similar format will be carried out once the draft AML/CFT law is prepared in order to present the amendments to relevant MPs.	

Activity	2nd Workshop for Drafting the National AML/CFT Strategy and Action Plan,
	Ruma, 16-18 December 2013
Output	Activity 6.1.2
Reference	
Aim	To support the APML in drafting the AML/CFT National Strategy and Action Plan 2014-1019
Outcome	The Activity has been instrumental in finalising the drafting of the National
	AML/CFT Strategy and starting the preparation of the Action Plan. All
	relevant institutions were represented at the Workshop (NBS, MoI, MoJ,
	Public Prosecutor's Office, security agencies, Supreme Court of Cassation etc.).
	The drafting process was led by APML and Mr David Artingstall, CoE expert,
	who had also provided an outline of the points to be addressed in the Action
	Plan prior to the Workshop. In addition to Mr Artingstall, the workshop was
	also attended by Ms Bettina Nellen, Special Adviser on Anti-Corruption and
	Money Laundering to the Deputy Prime Minister, who has extensive
	international experience in the Banking sector as chief compliance officer.
	Some themes that re-emerged during the discussion are the following: the
	importance of long term, high level planning (aim to have a refined 5-year
	plan; focus on expected outcomes/results; involvement in other relevant
	strategies (e.g. Anti-Corruption); adopting a holistic approach to combatting
	money laundering, not just the application of AML legislation; building off
	MOLI (as well as CAR and PACS) project outcomes; focusing on the
	involvement of real decision makers (and budget holders) in order to achieve
	high-level objectives.
Follow-up	The draft Action Plan will be further developed by APML and sent for
	comment to the CoE expert and members of the Working Group.

#### LIST OF SPECIFIC PROJECT DELIVERABLES (TECHNICAL PAPERS) AND OTHER DOCUMENTS

• Technical Paper: Guidance regarding the Action Plan for the new National AML/CFT Strategy (David Artingstall, December 2013) (Activity 6.1.2)

# OTHER PROJECT RELATED DEVELOPMENTS

None at the time of reporting.

# CURRENT AND ANTICIPATED PROBLEMS, INCLUDING PLANNED REMEDIAL ACTIONS

None at the time of reporting.

### PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE NEXT PERIOD

- Printing and publishing of MVTS and NPO studies (Activity 2.3.4), FATF recommendations and Guidance paper on risk assessment in Serbian (Activity 3.3.4) and guidance papers on the Risk Based Supervision (Activity 5.1.2)
- Visit by CoE expert H. Laferla to discuss the findings of the legal review Technical Paper with the Legal Review Working Group, end of January 2014. (Activity 1.1.1)
- Analysis of Judgments (Activity 1.2.1)
- Development of a methodology for carrying out a terrorism financing risk assessment (Activity 2.3.1)
- Workshop on the financing of terrorism and proliferation of weapons of mass destruction (WMDs) (Activity 1.2.2)

#### **CONCLUSIONS**

During the month of December 2013, MOLI Serbia activities included awareness-raising event for parliamentarians on AML/CFT issues (Activity 2.2.3) and a 3-day workshop for drafting the National AML/CFT Strategy and Action Plan 2014-2019. A large number of Activities are

scheduled for implementation in the upcoming months, which will require significant commitment from all Project participants.