

Progress Review Methodology of the Justice Sector Reform in Ukraine (PRM)

The Council of Europe is assisting Ukraine in the implementation of the Justice Sector Reform Strategy (JSRS) and its Action Plan (AP) that covers the period 2015–2020 by way of providing expert support and recommendations.

Aiming this, and on the basis of the JSRS and AP the joint EU/CoE Project “Consolidation of Justice Sector Policy Development in Ukraine” has developed and presented in November 2016 the Progress Review Methodology of the Justice Sector Reform in Ukraine (PRM) as a unique and comprehensive policy instrument(s)-specific tool for measuring and monitoring the progress of the justice sector reform.

Background

The PRM was designed by a team of international consultants (assisted by national consultants) in close cooperation with the stakeholders during 2016 and finalized in discussions with the Reference Group that comprised representatives from relevant justice sector stakeholders, NGOs, international organizations and donor initiatives.

What is PRM and how it will serve the justice reform sector

The PRM comprises a relevant narrative guide, pillar-specific tools comprising 11 pillar-specific measuring and monitoring matrices. They are furnished with a narrative guide and explanatory notes outlining the baseline situation in Ukraine by the beginning of the reform and international standards in respective areas. The Methodology is based on the findings of a detailed desk research followed by a round of bilateral meetings and consultations between the consultants’ team and the key stakeholders in the course of 2016.

The PRM matrices comprise:

- ◆ a tailored set of selected and adjusted evaluation indicators (quantitative and qualitative) aligned with and adapted to the JSRS and AP targets;
- ◆ most straightforward and rational methods of assessment;
- ◆ most appropriate actors to be engaged;
- ◆ a tentative calendar of evaluation activities.

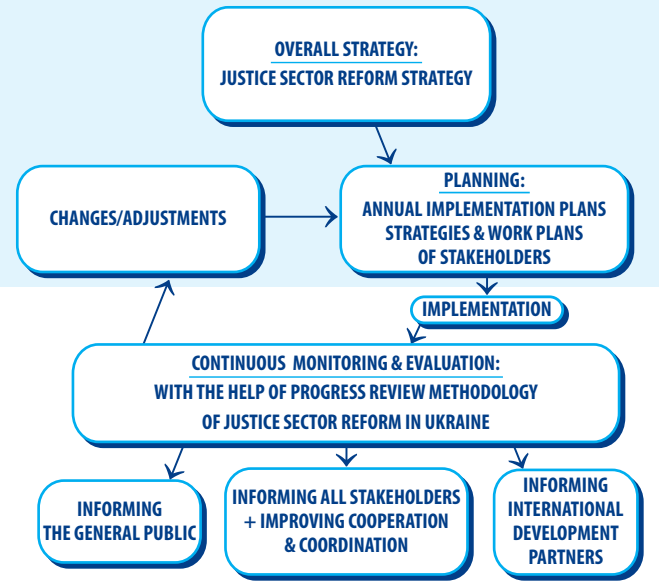
The proposed Methodology is to be considered a living tool subject to further adjustments.

Outcomes

It is expected that PRM will provide the key stakeholders with the policy-specific (JSRS and AP based) framework for assessing substantive results of the justice sector reform in Ukraine in their dynamics. It supposes to measure/illustrate results of the JSRS and AP implementation in terms of and from the angle of evaluation/assessment results. The information gathered and analyzed in the basis of PRM is to be made public and accessible, which will also be beneficial in communicating the progress and results of the reform to the general public.

Council of Europe will continue to support the justice sector reform in Ukraine through lending expertise and support to the stakeholders involved in implementing and using PRM.

Moreover, Council of Europe aims to assist the national stakeholders to create a web-based platform with a regularly updated information monitoring tool based on the PRM and its matrices. It would provide overall sector and disaggregated numerical data and demonstrate the dynamics and particular achievements, including by means of automatically generated tables and/or charts indicating the overall, segment, area and indicator-specific levels of attainment of the results envisaged by the JSRS and AP per relevant period of their implementation.



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