

The Action Plan for the Republic of Moldova 2025-2028 is the fourth Council of Europe action plan for the country since 2013. It provides the strategic framework for the cooperation carried out by the Council of Europe in the Republic of Moldova, through its office. The Action Plan supports the Republic of Moldova's European perspective reform agenda, following the decision by the European Council on 23 June 2022 to grant EU candidate status to the Republic of Moldova and the adoption of the Negotiation Framework on 21 June 2024. The Action Plan for the Republic of Moldova 2025-2028 also ensures the continuity of the previous Action Plan 2021-2024, especially considering the aftermath of the Russian Federation's war of aggression against Ukraine. This led to a shift in 2022 to address emerging needs, in particular the unprecedented migration crisis in the country. To support the Moldovan authorities, relevant thematic activities were added to ongoing projects and launched a separate project on strengthening the protection of migrants and refugees.



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THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA 2025-2028

KEY FIGURES

AS OF 1 JANUARY 2025



49 STAFF MEMBERS

- 7 Core Staff
- 42 Project Staff



REGIONAL PROJECTS: 7

COUNTRY-SPECIFIC PROJECTS: 21

- 17 projects funded through voluntary contributions
- 4 projects: EU/Council of Europe Partnership for Good Governance



**ACTION PLAN
BUDGET
30 million euros**

IN FOCUS: EU / COUNCIL OF EUROPE JOINT PROGRAMME

- Strengthening justice
- Countering economic crime
- Promoting equality and non-discrimination
- Advancing women's access to justice and combating violence against women

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KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

A new step in media literacy efforts

The media literacy strategy for the Audiovisual Council was developed with the support of the Council of Europe. An innovative methodology for monitoring sexist discourse during electoral campaigns was created. The Council of Europe also supported and carried out a comprehensive two-year peer review of the national audiovisual authority together with the Office for Communications (Ofcom) from the United Kingdom.



Better prevention and protection of child abuse

Between July-October 2024, a national campaign was conducted to prevent and report child abuse and violence by promoting the Child Helpline - 116111, in cooperation with the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection. The campaign reached over 195 000 users on Facebook.

New alternative voting method by the election administration

Following changes into electoral legislation on the implementation of the postal vote, three by-laws were developed, and an electronic system of the postal vote became fully operational ahead of the Presidential elections and the EU-related constitutional referendum of 20 October 2024.



Women and girls are more informed about their right to protection from violence

Over 80 000 people received information regarding the Istanbul Convention's provisions through social media, campaigns, training, and educational materials.

Better rehabilitation for offenders

A new Offender Behaviour Programme (OBP) was developed, aiming to work with aggressive and violent offenders under Probation. The programme pilot has demonstrated its potential to foster positive behavioural change among probationers, reducing violent tendencies and promoting healthier coping strategies (to be implemented by the National Probation Inspectorate system-wide in 2025).



Better mental healthcare legislation

A new law on mental health and well-being of the Republic of Moldova was adopted by the Parliament in April 2024, which affects general legislation on mental health care, and also includes criteria for involuntary placement, involuntary medication, and measures restricting the freedom of movement of the patients in psychiatric institutions in line with the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) standards and recommendations.

Advances on open government principles

Following co-creation of the Open Government Action Plan, 2024 saw the successful implementation of a number of actions related to transparency in decision-making and access to information, including the first-ever selection of two municipalities from the Republic of Moldova for the Open Government Partnership Local Programme.



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