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## EU / CoE Eastern Partnership Programmatic Co-operation Framework 2015 – 2020

Activities on local governance in the Eastern Partnership countries

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## Programmatic Co-operation Framework (PCF) Local governance

- **“Strengthening institutional frameworks for local governance”:**  
regional thematic programme to be implemented in **Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus**
- Co-operation and synergy between the Secretariat of the Congress and the Centre of Expertise for Local Government Reform
- Total budget of **€ 2,570,000** for a duration of three years (2015-2017)

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## Programmatic Co-operation Framework (PCF) Key strategic objectives of the Congress

- The overall objective of this project is the strengthening of institutional frameworks for local governance.
- The specific objectives of the project are:
  - To support the on-going process of reform of local government in participating countries;
  - To promote ethical behaviour by locally elected representatives in the region;
  - To support the improvement of financial and human resources management.
- The expected results are:
  - the improvement of the consistency of the legislative frameworks;
  - a more efficient, transparent and ethical governance at the local level.

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## Programmatic Co-operation Framework (PCF) Methodology

- reference to the Congress monitoring and thematic recommendations and reports in the EaP countries;
- tailor-made approach to accompany each of the countries;
- peer-to-peer exchanges and interactive sessions with the participation of Congress members and experts;
- networking between peers of regions.

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## Programmatic Co-operation Framework (PCF) Stakeholders

- The main stakeholders will be:
  - Local and regional authorities;
  - National associations of local and regional authorities;
  - NGOs active in the field of local democracy;
  - Central authorities.

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## Programmatic Co-operation Framework (PCF) Main activities

- Comparative study on the role and responsibilities of mayors and local councillors in the EaP countries;
- Series of country-based leadership workshops for mayors;
- Creation of a “community of experts/trainers/local elected representatives”;
- Regional seminars and peer-to-peer reviews on citizen participation and on ethics in local decision-making

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## Programmatic Co-operation Framework (PCF) Next steps

- Comparative study on the role and responsibilities of mayors and local councillors
- Introductory Conference on 23-25 June 2015 (exact dates to be confirmed)
- Series of leadership workshops – End of 2015

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