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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

This report summarises activities implemented under the Project "Support to Prosecutors' Network in South Eastern Europe" – CARDS 2006 Regional PROSECO Project during the period of 1 June to 30 August 2009.

The project's objective is to strengthen capacities of the CARDS countries to develop and implement judiciary co-operation against serious crime, based on the EU acquis and other European and international standards and practices, by providing support to the Prosecutors' Network.

Results achieved during the reporting period include:

- Provision of expert opinion and roundtable on Draft law on prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing of Kosovo¹;
- Internship for prosecutors to Portugal;
- Inventory of multilateral and bilateral agreements;
- Provision of translated explanatory reports to conventions on international co-operation for Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia".

The activities carried out during the reporting period were in line with the work plan. It is worth mentioning progress achieved in Kosovo. Co-operation with EULEX resulted in the completion of two project area specific activities.

Also, worth noting is progress made under the Output 3 – namely:

1. Finalisation of the inventory of multilateral and bilateral agreements in the field of international co-operation;
2. Translation of explanatory reports to the relevant conventions² in the field of international co-operation in Bosnian, Serbian and Macedonia languages;
3. Completion of the updated PACO co-operation manual³ for all the project areas (except for Serbia).

¹ "All reference to Kosovo, whether to the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nations Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo"

² 1. Convention on Extradition; 2. Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters and 3. Second Additional Protocol to the Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters; 4. Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons; 5. Convention on the Transfer of Proceedings in Criminal Matters

³ The updated texts will be sent to the final review and approval to the Ministries of Justice of project areas.

1 THE PROJECT

1.1 Project summary

Name of implementing and co-financing organisation

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Title of the action

Support to Prosecutors' Network.

Contract number

2008/153-650.

Start date and end date of the reporting period

Start date: 17 April 2008.

Reporting period: 1 June – 31 August 2009.

Target countries / project areas

Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" and Kosovo⁴.

Target groups

Prosecutors and judges specialised in measures against organised and other forms of serious crime; practitioners and senior officials from the Ministry of Justice and practitioners and senior officials from the Ministry of Interior/Security responsible for international co-operation.

Countries / project areas in which the activities take place

In addition to the countries/project areas listed above, activities take place in Italy, France and in a number of Member States of the European Union to be selected.

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1.2 Project objectives

The overall objective of the project is to strengthen the capacities of the CARDS countries to develop and implement judiciary co-operation against serious crime, based on the EU *acquis* and other European and international standards and practices by supporting the Prosecutors' Network.

The project focuses on strengthening legislation and institutional capacities of General Prosecutors' Offices of South Eastern Europe with a view to more effective co-operation against serious crime. It builds on the achievements of the 2003 CARDS Regional Judicial Reform project (with special emphasis on the cross module activities implemented) and the Memorandum of Understanding signed on 30 March 2005 by the General Prosecutors of the CARDS countries.

To achieve its objective, the project implements regional and project area-specific activities under four outputs:

- Output 1 Draft laws available aimed at making investigations and prosecutions of serious crime cases more effective and facilitating cross-border co-operation
- Output 2 Human capacities of prosecutions services strengthened in view of more effective co-operation, investigation and prosecution of serious crime cases
- Output 3 Co-operation manual and other tools available for more effective co-operation against serious crime
- Output 4 Contact points for judicial co-operation strengthened

1.3 Updated work plan

OUTPUT 1	Draft laws available aimed at making investigations and prosecutions of serious crime cases more effective and facilitating cross-border cooperation	
Activity 1.1	Assessment with aim of identifying legislation to be reviewed and improved	April 2008- April 2010
Activity 1.2	Up to 2 legal reviews per project area (and continuous ad hoc advice) to review existing legislation on investigation, prosecution and co-operation against serious crime	August 2008 – March 2010
1.2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Albania Review of Law on International Co-operation	
1.2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bosnia and Herzegovina Review of Draft Law on International Co-operation in Criminal Matters	October 2008 Completed
1.2.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Croatia Review of new provisions / amendments to the Law on International Co-operation	Croatian authorities have not indicated when the draft will be available
1.2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Montenegro Review of amendments to the Criminal Code (provisions related to confiscation of proceeds from crime and cybercrime)	May 2009 Completed
1.2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Serbia Review of draft Law on Mutual Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters	November – December 2008 Completed
1.2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” Review of Draft Law on International Co-operation	December 2008 – January 2009

		Completed
1.2.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Kosovo under UNSCR 1244"⁵ Review of Draft Law on Money Laundering	June 2009 Completed
1.2.8	Assessment on compliance of legislation of project areas with CEST 182 and with the EU convention on MLA from 2000	February – August 2009 – final report will be available by mid-October
1.2.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bosnia and Herzegovina Review of cybercrime provisions in national legislation	April 2009 Completed
1.2.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Croatia Review of certain provisions of Criminal Code	Croatian authorities have not indicated when the draft will be available
1.2.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" Review of cybercrime provisions in national legislation	April 2009 Completed
1.2.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Serbia Review of Draft amendments to Criminal Code	May 2009 Completed
Activity 1.3	2 roundtables per project area (follow up to the legal reviews) and 2 regional workshops	November 2008-April 2010
1.3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Albania 	
1.3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bosnia and Herzegovina Roundtable on Draft Law on International Co-operation in Criminal Matters	7 November 2008 Completed
1.3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Croatia 	
1.3.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Montenegro 	
1.3.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Serbia 	
1.3.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" Roundtable on assessment of cybercrime provisions in national legislation	TBC
1.3.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ "Kosovo under UNSCR 1244" Roundtable on Draft law on the prevention on money laundering and financing of terrorism	20-21 July 2009 Completed
1.3.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Workshop 1 Workshop on Compliance of legislation of project areas with CETS 182 (2 nd Additional Protocol to MLA Convention) and with EU Convention on MLA from 2000	21-23 September 2009 in Tirana, Albania
1.3.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bosnia and Herzegovina Roundtable on Compliance of Legislation of BiH with CEST 182 (2 nd Additional Protocol to MLA Convention) and with EU Convention on MLA from 2000	TBC
1.3.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Bosnia and Herzegovina Roundtable on assessment of cybercrime provisions in national legislation	7 April 2009 Completed
1.3.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Serbia 	
1.3.12	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Workshop 2 Follow up to Regional Workshop 1 and its recommendations	January 2010
Output 2	Human capacities of prosecution services strengthened in view of more effective co-operation, investigation and prosecution of serious crime cases	
Activity 2.1	4 Regional thematic trainings (e.g. joint investigative teams, use of special investigation means, cybercrime, witness protection, confiscation and assets sharing)	September 2008 – January 2010
2.1.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Thematic Training 1 Financial Investigations and Confiscation of Proceeds from Crime	Dubrovnik, Croatia 25 and 26 September 2008 Completed
2.1.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Thematic Training 2 Training for prosecutors and judges and Conference on Co-operation under the Cybercrime Convention Follow up activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Finalisation of country profiles ➤ Participation in the Octopus Cybercrime Conference in Strasbourg in March 2009 	Ohrid, FYROM, 17-19 November 2008 Completed March 2009 Completed

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2.1.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Thematic Training 3 Practical implementation of measures foreseen by CETS 182: cross-border observations; controlled deliveries; video hearings and joint investigative teams	21-23 September 2009, Tirana, Albania
2.1.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Regional Thematic Training 4 Proposed topic 1: witness protection, levels and types of protection (proposal of BiH delegation) Proposed topic 2: money laundering (proposal of Montenegro delegation)	January 2010
Activity 2.2	2 Thematic in-project area training sessions (on issues of priority interest)	September 2008 – March 2010
2.2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Albania Training on cybercrime for law enforcement officers, prosecutors and judges	16-17 April 2009 Durrës Completed
2.2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bosnia and Herzegovina Training for prosecutors and law enforcement officers on SIMS and international recognition of evidence collected by using SIMS	5-6 March 2009 Sarajevo Completed
2.2.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Croatia Training on joint investigation teams	
2.2.4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Montenegro Training Seminar for prosecutors, accountants and auditors on inter-agency co-operation and data exchange on reporting corruption related offences	24-25 November 2008 Podgorica Completed
2.2.5	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Serbia Training on International Co-operation in international instruments	Belgrade 18 September 2008 Nis 19 September 2008 Completed
2.2.6	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” Training on SIMS	28-29 April 2009 Skopje Completed
2.2.7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “Kosovo under UNSCR 1244” 	
2.2.8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Croatia Training on money laundering	Early December 2009
2.2.9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Montenegro Training on prosecutor’s role in leading investigations in cases of serious crime	after the adoption of CPC
2.2.10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” Training on new role of Prosecutor in investigations	after the adoption of a new CPC
2.2.11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Montenegro Training on money laundering	after the adoption of CPC
Activity 2.3	Organisation of two-week internship programme (3 prosecutors per project area) to EU member States (Italy, Portugal and Slovenia)	November 2008 – January 2010
2.3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internship 1 – Italy (Rome, Napoli and Bari) 	17-28 November 2008 Completed
2.3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internship 2 Portugal	6-17 July 2009 Completed
2.3.3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Internship 3 Proposal to replace Slovenia with Germany	January 2010
Output 3	Co-operation manual and other tools available for more effective co-operation against serious crime	
Activity 3.1	Inventory of international instruments in the field of international co-operation ratified by project areas, and of bilateral and multilateral agreements enabling international co-operation	October 2008-August 2009 Completed
Activity 3.2	Translation and publication of explanatory reports of relevant conventions and other documents of priority interest in local languages Contact Persons to define which documents are to be translated and submit a list to the CoE by the end of February	June-November 2009
Activity 3.3	Update, translation and publication of PACO manual on judicial co-operation against corruption and organised crime Parts of the PACO Manual will be sent to the Contact Persons from MoJ for revision and update	January – November 2009
Activity 3.4	Creation of web sites on judicial co-operation to be hosted on the existing web sites of prosecutor offices and/or Ministries of Justice and Ministries of Interior / Security <ul style="list-style-type: none"> A link to PROSECO Project to be made at the existing sites of the MoJ and PO Contact Persons to inform the CoE on exact needs 	December 2009- April 2010

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Add a link to the UNODC tool with an electronic form of the MLA request 	
Activity 3.5	Preparation of an overview of institutions in charge of organised crime and international co-operation	May – November 2009
Output 4 Contact points for judicial co-operation strengthened		
Activity 4.1	Assessment of existing co-operation networks, contact points and legal frameworks.	April 2008 – January 2009
Activity 4.2	Organisation of 2 regional meetings to review the competences of contact points and resources available with aim of improving and strengthening their capacities	January – April 2009
4.2.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Meeting 1 5th Meeting of Prosecutors’ Network with SEEPAG contact points 	16 January 2009 Strasbourg Completed
4.2.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Meeting 2 6th Meeting of Prosecutors’ Network - Effective channels of communication (Art 4 of CETS 182) 	28-29 April 2009 Zagreb Completed
Activity 4.3	Organisation of 2 regional meetings of contact points and members of prosecutorial network and heads of organised crime units from each project area to strengthen networking at regional level	November to January 2010
4.3.1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Meeting 1 7th Meeting of Prosecutors’ Network 	24 November 2009 Strasbourg
4.3.2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regional Meeting 2 8th Meeting of Prosecutors’ Network 	January 2010
Activity 4.4	Organisation of a regional conference of Prosecutors’ Network with the aim of amending the Memorandum of Understanding for the Establishment of the Prosecutors’ Network	January 2010

1.4 Updated action plan

Green: Activity completed, output achieved.

Cell with C: sub-activity completed

Yellow and Orange: duration of activity and progress in project's execution at the end of reporting period.

Description	Months April 2008 – March 2009												Months April 2009 – March-April 2010												
	1 A 08	2 M 08	3 J 08	4 J 08	5 A 08	6 S 08	7 O 08	8 N 08	9 D 08	10 J 09	11 F 09	12 M 09	1 A 09	2 M 09	3 J 09	4 J 09	5 A 09	6 S 09	7 O 09	8 N 09	9 D 09	10 J 10	11 F 10	12 M 10	13 A 10
Inception phase (12 weeks)																									
Output 1: <i>Draft laws aimed at making investigations and prosecutions of serious crime cases available</i>																									
Activity 1.1 Assessment with aim of identifying legislation to be reviewed and improved (by visiting each project area during the inception phase)																									
Activity 1.2 2 legal reviews per project area (and continuous ad hoc advice) in order to review the existing legislation on investigation, prosecution and co-operation against serious crime																									
Activity 1.2.1 Review of Law on International Co-operation Albania																									
Activity 1.2.2 Review of Draft Law on International Co-operation of Bosnia and Herzegovina							C																		
Activity 1.2.3 Review of new provisions / amendments to the Law on International Co-operation of Croatia																									
Activity 1.2.4 Review of amendments to the Criminal Code of Montenegro																C									
Activity 1.2.5 Review of Draft Law on International Co-operation of Serbia										C															
Activity 1.2.6 Review of Draft Law on International Co-operation of FYROM										C															
Activity 1.2.7 Review of Draft Law on Money Laundering of Kosovo																C									
Activity 1.2.8 Assessment of compliance of legislation of project areas with CETS 182 and EU MLA Convention																									
Activity 1.2.9 Review of Cybercrime Provisions in legislation of Bosnia and Herzegovina																C									
Activity 1.2.10 Review of certain provisions of Criminal Code of Croatia																									
Activity 1.2.11 Review of Cybercrime provisions legislation of FYROM																C									
1.2.12 Review of revised Criminal Code of Serbia																C									
Activity 1.3 2 roundtables per project area as a follow up to the legal review and 2 regional workshops																									
Activity 1.3.1 Albania																									
Activity 1.3.2 Roundtable on Draft Law on International Co-operation of Bosnia and Herzegovina																									
Activity 1.3.3 Croatia																									
Activity 1.3.4 Montenegro																									
Activity 1.3.5 Serbia																									

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Activity 1.3.6	FYROM Roundtable on assessment of cybercrime provisions in national legislation																									
Activity 1.3.7	Kosovo Roundtable on draft Law on prevention of ML and TF																C									
Activity 1.3.8	Regional workshop 1 Compliance of legislation of project areas with CETS 182 and EU MLA Convention from 2000																									
Activity 1.3.9	Bosnia and Herzegovina Roundtable on Compliance of Legislation of BiH with CETS and with the EU MLA Convention from 2000																									
Activity 1.3.10	Roundtable on assessment of cybercrime provisions in legislation of Bosnia and Herzegovina													C												
Activity 1.3.11	Serbia																									
Activity 1.3.12	Regional workshop Follow up to Regional Workshop 1 and its recommendations																									
Output 2:	Human capacities of prosecution services strengthened																									
Activities 2.1	4 regional thematic trainings on joint investigative teams, use of special investigative means, cybercrime, witness protection, confiscation and asset sharing organised																									
Activity 2.1.1	Regional Thematic Conference 1 Financial Investigations and Confiscation, Croatia						C																			
Activity 2.1.2	Regional Thematic Conference 2 Cybercrime, FYROM > Finalisation of country profiles > Participation of Octopus Cybercrime Conference								C																	
Activity 2.1.3	Regional Thematic Conference 3 Practical Implementation of measures foreseen by CETS: cross border observations; controlled deliveries; video hearings and joint investigative teams																									
Activity 2.1.4	Regional Thematic Conference 4 Proposed topic 1: witness protection Proposed topic 2: money laundering																									
Activity 2.2	2 thematic in-country trainings on issues of priority interest for each project area organised																									
Activity 2.2.1	Training on Cybercrime, Albania													C												
Activity 2.2.2	Training on SIMS, Bosnia and Herzegovina												C													
Activity 2.2.3	Croatia Training on joint investigative teams																									
Activity 2.2.4	Training on inter-agency co-operation and data exchange on reporting corruption related offences, Montenegro								C																	
Activity 2.2.5	Training on International Co-operation, Serbia						C																			
Activity 2.2.6	Training on SIMS, FYROM													C												
Activity 2.2.7	Kosovo																									
Activity 2.2.8	Croatia Training on money laundering																									
Activity 2.2.9	Montenegro Training on prosecutor's role in leading investigations in cases of																									

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	serious crime																									
Activity 2.1.10	FYROM Training on new role of Prosecutor in investigations																									
Activity 2.2.11	Montenegro Training on money laundering																									
Activity 2.3	Internship programmes for 3 prosecutors per project area EU countries																									
Activity 2.3.1	Internship to Italy								C																	
Activity 2.3.2	Internship to Portugal																									
Activity 2.3.3	Internship to Germany																									
Output 3:	Co-operation manual and other tools available																									
Activity 3.1	Inventory of international instruments and multilateral and bilateral agreements																									
Activities 3.2	Explanatory reports of relevant conventions and other documents of priority interest translated and published in local languages																									
Activity 3.3	PACO Manual on judicial co-operation against corruption and organised crime updated and published																									
Activity 3.4	Web sites on prosecutors' co-operation in South-eastern Europe created																									
Activity 3.5	Preparation of an overview of institutions in charge of organised crime and international co-operation																									
Output 4:	Contact points for judicial co-operation strengthened																									
Activity 4.1	Assessment of existing co-operation networks, contact points and legal frameworks																									
Activity 4.2	2 regional meetings to review the competences of contact points and resources available with aim of improving and strengthening their capacities																									
Activity 4.2.1	5 th Meeting of Prosecutors' Network																									
Activity 4.2.2	6 th Meeting of Prosecutors' Network																									
Activity 4.3	2 regional meetings of contact points and heads of organised crime units from each project area to strengthen networking at regional level, including the members of the prosecutors network																									
Activity 4.3.1	Regional meeting 1 7 th Meeting of Prosecutors' Network																									
Activity 4.3.2	Regional meeting 2 8 th Meeting of Prosecutors' Network																									
Activity 4.4	Regional conference of the prosecutor's network with the aim of amending the Memorandum of Understanding of the Prosecutor's Network																									

1.5 Updated Logical Framework

Level	Description	Indicators	Sources of verification	Assumptions
Overall objective	The project is to strengthen the capacities of the CARDS countries to develop and implement judiciary co-operation against serious crime based on the EU <i>acquis</i> and other European standards and practices by supporting the Prosecutor's Network in South Eastern Europe.			
Specific project objective	To strengthen the legislation and institutional capacities of Prosecutors' Offices of South-eastern Europe in view of more effective co-operation against organised and other forms of serious crime	<p>Prosecutor's Offices deal with cross border co-operation cases directly and efficiently. The number of requests for MLA sent/received by Prosecutor's offices will have increased by 25% by the end of the project</p> <p>Number of serious crime cases prosecuted will have increased by 15%</p> <p>Tools for co-operation are available and used by Prosecutor's Offices: (1) cooperation manual, (2) treaties in local languages, (3) websites</p> <p>National legislation (laws and by-laws) are compatible with relevant European and international standards. By the end of the Project:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The 2nd Additional Protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Legal Assistance in 	<p>Council of Europe treaty office database</p> <p>European Union progress reports</p> <p>Project reports</p> <p>Statistical data from the Ministries of Justice, Ministries of Interior and the Offices of the Prosecutors' General from all project areas</p>	<p>Will of the authorities and parliaments to ratify the European instruments</p> <p>Application in practice of ratified European instruments and their incorporation into relevant domestic legislation</p> <p>Sufficient absorptive capacity of the counterpart institutions for the activities foreseen in the project</p>

Level	Description	Indicators	Sources of verification	Assumptions
		<p>Criminal Matters (CETS 182) ratified by "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"</p> <p>- The Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism (CETS 198) ratified by Serbia and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"</p> <p>- Convention on Cybercrime (CETS 185) ratified by Montenegro and Serbia</p>		
Output 1	Draft laws available aimed at making investigations and prosecutions of serious crime cases more effective and facilitating cross-border cooperation	By April 2010, for each project area 2 draft laws on international cooperation and investigation and prosecution of serious crime available and in compliance with European standards	<p>Project reports</p> <p>Web sites of Governments and Prosecutor's Offices in Project Areas</p> <p>Expert opinions on Draft Laws</p>	Continued political commitment of governments to improve quality of legislation by preparing draft laws or amendments to existing ones Readiness of relevant institutions to co-operate in Project's implementation, including submitting requests for provision of legal expertise on draft laws, or on adopted laws with an aim of their improvement
Activity 1.1	Assessment with aim of identifying legislation to be reviewed and improved (by visiting each project			

Level	Description	Indicators	Sources of verification	Assumptions
	area during the inception phase)			
Activity 1.2	2 legal reviews per project area (and continuous ad hoc advice) in order to review the existing legislation on investigation, prosecution and co-operation against serious crime: Criminal Procedure Codes, Law on Police, Law on Prosecutors Office, Law on international co-operation and other related legislation. Legislation to be reviewed in line with the relevant European and international instruments.			
Activity 1.3	2 roundtables per project area (follow up to the legal reviews) and 2 regional workshops			
Output 2	Human capacities of prosecution services strengthened in view of more effective cooperation, investigation and prosecution of serious crime cases	By January 2010, 4 Regional thematic training sessions are completed By March 2010, 14 in project area thematic training sessions are held By January 2010, 3 internship programmes are completed	Project reports Lists of participants	Availability of prosecutors and other relevant officials of appropriate level (in terms of experience and type of expertise) to take part in project's regional and in project area activities Knowledge and experience applied in practice
Activity 2.1	4 regional thematic trainings (e.g. joint investigation teams, use of special investigative means, cybercrime, witness protection, confiscation and asset sharing)			
Activity 2.2	2 thematic in-country trainings on issues of priority interest for each project area			
Activity 2.3	Two-week internships to EU Member States for 3 prosecutors per project area (Italy, Portugal and Slovenia)			

Level	Description	Indicators	Sources of verification	Assumptions
Output 3	Co-operation manual and other tools available for more effective co-operation against serious crime	<p>By August 2009 an inventory of international instruments, bilateral and multilateral agreements is completed</p> <p>By September 2009 relevant explanatory reports to conventions and other documents of priority interest are translated</p> <p>By November 2009 PACO Manual is updated, published and available in Prosecutors' Offices and Ministries of Justice in all project areas</p> <p>By April 2010, web sites on prosecutors' co-operation are created</p> <p>By September 2009 a document presenting institutions in charge of organised crime and international co-operation finalised</p>	Project Reports, Web sites of CoE, Prosecutor's Offices and Ministries of Justice.	<p>Readiness of relevant institutions to co-operate in Project's implementation</p> <p>Availability of information needed for updating manual; readiness of relevant institutions of project areas to submit requested information and its timeliness</p> <p>Widespread usage of the co-operation manual in practice by the Prosecutor's Offices in all project areas</p>
Activity 3.1 This activity has been added upon request of the European Commission	Inventory of International Instruments in the field of international co-operation ratified by the project areas, and of bilateral and multilateral agreements enabling the international co-operation			
Activity 3.2	Translation into languages of project areas of relevant explanatory reports to conventions and other documents of priority interest and publication in local languages			
Activity 3.3	Update, translation and publication			

Level	Description	Indicators	Sources of verification	Assumptions
	of the PACO Manual on judicial co-operation against corruption and organised crime			
Activity 3.4	Creation of web sites on prosecutors' co-operation to be hosted on the existing web sites of prosecutors' offices and/or Ministries of Justice/Ministries of Interior/ Security			
Activity 3.5 This activity has been added following the proposal and agreement of the SC	Preparation of an overview of institutions in charge of organised crime and international co-operation			
Output 4	Contact points for judicial co-operation strengthened	<p>By January 2009 proposals available for the streamlining of existing co-operation networks</p> <p>By December 2009, 2 Regional Meetings to review and enhance competencies of contact points and 2 Regional meetings of contact points and prosecutorial network are completed</p> <p>By December 2009, the existing MoU for establishment of the Prosecutor's Network is amended</p>	<p>Project reports</p> <p>Availability of amended MoU</p> <p>Relevant laws/ by-laws/ statutes regulating the position of Network's Contact Points.</p>	Role of contact points is recognised, formally regulated and supported by relevant authorities (including regular financial support) so they can operate independently from existence of projects financed by the international organisations
Activity 4.1	Assessment of existing co-operation networks, contact points and legal frameworks			
Activity 4.2	2 regional meetings to review the competences of contact points and resources available with aim of improving and strengthening their capacities			
Activity 4.3	2 regional meetings of contact points and members of prosecutorial network and heads of organised crime units from each project area to strengthen networking at regional level			
Activity 4.4	Regional conference of prosecutors' network with the aim of amending the Memorandum of Understanding for the Establishment of the Prosecutor's Network			

2 ACTIVITIES AND RESULTS DURING THE REPORTING PERIOD

The following activities were completed during the reporting period:

Output 1

Activity 1.2.7 – Legislative review of the draft Law on prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing of Kosovo, June 2009

Objective

To provide expert opinion on compliance of the draft law with relevant international instruments.

Description of activity

In May 2009, the European Union Rule of Law Mission to Kosovo (EULEX) requested the project to provide assistance regarding drafting of anti-money laundering legislation. The first step was to review a draft law on the prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing, which was prepared by the EULEX working group. EULEX also sought comments from the International Civilian Office (ICO)⁶, Organisation for Security and Co-operation in Europe (OSCE), the Embassy of the United States⁷, and the World Bank.

The draft law was analysed and compared with the following international instruments relevant in the field of anti-money laundering and countering the financing of terrorism (AML/CFT):

1. the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) 40 Recommendations on money laundering;
2. the FATF 9 Special Recommendations on Terrorist Financing;
3. the Methodology for assessing compliance with the FATF 40 Recommendations and the FATF 9 Special Recommendations (Methodology);
4. the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Vienna Convention);
5. the 2000 United Nations Convention on Transnational Organized Crime (Palermo Convention);
6. the 1999 United Nations International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism (Financing of Terrorism Convention);
7. the 2005 Council of Europe Convention on laundering, search, seizure and confiscation of the proceeds from crime and on the financing of terrorism (Warsaw Convention);
8. the Directive 2005/60/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 25 October 2005 on prevention of the use of the financial system for the purpose of money laundering and terrorist financing (EU Directive).

The Expert opinion was provided by Mr Anders Cedhagen⁸ (Sweden).

⁶ ICO – International Civilian Office – European Union Special Representative Office.

⁷ Treasury Department of the U.S. Embassy.

⁸ Mr Anders Cedhagen, judge at the Administrative Court of Appeal in Goteborg, provided expertise for the CoE on anti-money laundering (AML) projects for Moldova, Ukraine and Russia. His previous professional engagements include: AML expert for the UNODC in Vienna, National Legal Expert for the Council of the European Union in Brussels, Legal Adviser at the Ministry of Finance of Sweden and Research Secretary for the Government Commission of Inquiry on Money Laundering. Mr Cedhagen worked as a legal expert for the Swedish International Development Agency (SIDA), the World Bank and the European Union.

The expert identified many deficiencies and inconsistencies in the draft law. Moreover, most of the relevant international standards were not incorporated. Therefore, the expert opinion provided detailed analysis and recommendations for the improvement of the draft law.

Results

1. The expert opinion was submitted to the EULEX on 30 June 2009.
2. Clear recommendations for improvement of the draft law, including alternative text, were given on the following:
 - definitions of money laundering, terrorist financing, bank, beneficiary, business organisation, non governmental organisation, property, proceeds from crime, casino and reporting subject;
 - financial intelligence unit (FIU) - its role and powers;
 - supervising authority;
 - reporting obligations of banks and financial institutions to the FIU.

Recommendation

The EULEX working group may consider incorporating suggestions from the expert opinion into the draft law and seeking further advice if necessary.

Activity 1.3.7 – Roundtable on Draft Law on prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing, Pristina, Kosovo, 20-21 July 2009

Objective

To assist the EULEX working group in drafting their comments to the draft Law on prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing to bring it in line with relevant international standards.

Description of activity

Following the provision of the written expert opinion on the draft law, the EULEX requested the project to facilitate further consultations with the author of the expert opinion, judge Cedhagen. A roundtable was co-organised with the EULEX on 20 and 21 July 2009 in Pristina.

Participants at the roundtable reviewed the expert opinion article by article and discussed the proposed amendments. The EULEX working group and the CoE expert dissected in details all proposed recommendations and as a result, the working group accepted all major recommendations including:

- broadening of the money laundering definition and harmonisation with the definition from the Criminal Code;
- harmonisation of the definition of "bank" in line with the definition provided in the Law on Central Bank;
- use of risk based approach in defining the business organisations and in defining reporting subjects;
- broadening of the definition of property to include tangible and intangible property;
- introduction of an article for confidentiality concerning the FIU employees;
- further clarification of the supervising authority (expert's suggestion to use the model from Estonia where the special supervision department is placed within the FIU).

The EULEX working group was sceptical about the recommendation to exclude non-profitable organisations from the Draft law. The expert went further by recommending deleting the NGOs from the Draft law (the main argument was lack of control over NGOs). As an alternative, he suggested using a risk based approach similar to that of business organisations.

Regarding the effectiveness of the FIU, the expert recommended to place the FIU under an authority that enjoys the trust of people. In the case of Sweden for example, it is within the Police because people trust the police. Therefore, it can be placed under any authority that benefits from the trust of the people.

The CoE expert identified many loopholes in Chapter III of the Draft law, and called for the working group to consult the EU Directive and the FATF Recommendation and take into account some standards provided therein which apparently had been omitted by the working group. The working group members agreed to consult the mentioned international documents.

Apart from very specific advice, the expert's general advice to the working group was to consult the UN Model Law, which contains suggestions for anti-money laundering definitions, and to consider adapting those to the specificities of Kosovo if, and as needed. The working group was not aware of the UN Model Law, and appreciated this reference. In addition, the expert suggested consulting the FATF Recommendations and the EU Directive for the list of reporting subjects such as: tax advisors, persons trading in goods with payments in cash above the threshold etc.

Result

1. Comprehensive review of the draft law on prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing of Kosovo, including substantive contribution and comments for its improvement and clear reference to EU and other international standards.

Follow up

The EULEX representatives reiterated that they will invite the Expert to Kosovo again when all the comments from the relevant institutions have been obtained. The EULEX would like the expert to have a final look and provide final recommendations to the draft law before it is further processed.

Recommendation

To co-organise a workshop with the EULEX with the participation of the drafters from relevant Kosovo offices.

Output 2

Activity – Internship to Portugal, 6-17 July 2009

Objective

The objective of the Internship for prosecutors was to increase their knowledge about Portuguese legal institutions as well as instruments and mechanisms for international co-operation in criminal matters.

Description of activity

The Internship took place from 6 to 17 July 2009, in Lisbon, Almada, Amadora, Cascais, and Oeiras. The total number of participating prosecutors was 19. Each delegation had three prosecutors as foreseen, except Kosovo with only one prosecutor. This was due to unavailability of English speaking prosecutors in Kosovo; most of English speaking prosecutors were already committed to other activities. The General Prosecutor's Office of Portugal had identified the most relevant topics and speakers for the Internship and also ensured all organisational support.

As the accent was on the functioning of prosecutorial service in Portugal, the only other institution visited, was the Constitutional Court.

During the first week of the internship, all the prosecutors were together and followed the presentations in the following departments/offices:

- General Prosecutor's Office;
- Library of the General Prosecutor's Office;
- Central Department of Criminal Investigation and Prosecution (including Technical Advisory Unit);
- Department of Documentation and Comparative Law;
- District Prosecutor's Office of Lisbon.

The presentations were very specific and detailed, and covered the following topics:

- main areas of work of public prosecution service;
- mandate and election of prosecutor general;
- principles of work of prosecution service;
- Superior Council for Magistrates – role and election of members;
- disciplinary measures;
- territorial jurisdiction of prosecutor's offices;
- election of district prosecutors; role and territorial jurisdiction of Central Department of Criminal Investigation and Prosecution;
- role of the Department for Documentation and Comparative Law;
- Prosecutor's Office as a central body for international co-operation – role and scope of work;
- human rights and its protection - the role of the Department for Documentation and Comparative Law;
- advisory role of the Prosecutor's Office to the Ministry of Foreign Affairs;
- role of Prosecutor's Office concerning children's rights;
- European Arrest warrant – application and problems.

The participants found particularly interesting the functioning of the Central Department for Criminal Investigation and Prosecution, in particular its Technical Advisory Unit. Members of staff of this Unit are mainly economists, with expertise in economic related crimes. These experts review specific documentation contained in prosecutors' files, provide advice on it and take part in criminal proceedings as expert witnesses.

During the second week of the Internship, Prosecutors were divided into four groups, and were placed at the four different District Prosecutor's Offices located in: Almada, Amadora, Cascais and Oeiras. Groups were composed of prosecutors from different delegations not only to increase the scope of information and knowledge they were gathering, but also to enhance their mutual co-operation.

During this week, participants were introduced to the practical aspects of the work of a prosecutor including:

- receipt and registration of a file;
- investigation and co-operation with police;
- co-operation with other institutions.

Participants visited criminal and civil departments and administration. They discussed with the host District Prosecutors concrete criminal cases, and how the investigations were carried out depending on the type of crime in question. Some groups were taken to follow court hearings.

The overall assessment of the Internship, based on feedback forms received so far by participants, is very positive. Participants consider the level of presentations as very high, and they are confident they will be applying in their everyday work some of the knowledge gained during the Internship.

Participants also appreciated the networking opportunities provided by the Internship, in particular, the possibility to network and exchange legal working experiences with colleagues from the host country and project areas.

Based on information from feedback forms⁹, participants would like to receive further training on the following:

- international co-operation and prosecutorial networking;
- public prosecutor's leading role in criminal investigations;
- fight against corruption;
- organised crime and financial crimes;
- co-operation in money laundering cases;
- human rights;
- copyright and industrial property;
- fight against cybercrime;
- prevention of terrorism;
- prevention of child pornography.

Results

1. 19 prosecutors from seven project areas gained further in-depth knowledge about the structure and functioning of the legal system of an EU member state, which they will apply in their everyday work.
2. Networking between 19 prosecutors enhanced.

Output 3

Activity 3.1 – Provision of inventory of multilateral and bilateral treaties in the field of international co-operation signed by project areas

Objective

To provide prosecutors and other relevant officials with a practical reference tool for international co-operation.

⁹ Evaluation forms are enclosed in the Appendix to this report.

Description of activity

The compilation of the inventory took much longer than initially foreseen because of the late submission of relevant information from project areas. Only Croatia and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" submitted required information within a reasonable time frame. The final compilation was prepared by a short-term consultant who mainly relied on contributions from project areas, but also sought additional information available on the internet when and as appropriate. At time of the writing of this report the inventory is available only in English, but it will be translated into the languages of project areas.

The inventory contains not only titles of multilateral and bilateral treaties, but also information on agreements signed between the Prosecutor's Offices. The practitioners will have in one single document a comprehensive directory of all the relevant agreements and treaties. Depending on which project areas they need to co-operate with, they will be able to easily identify on the basis of which instrument the co-operation could be based.

This activity directly contributes to enhancing co-operation and increasing the efficiency in dealing with international mutual legal assistance requests.

Results

1. Comprehensive Inventory available in English language.

Recommendation and follow-up

To upload the inventory on the existing sites of the ministries of justice and general prosecutor's office in all the project areas, and to disseminate information in PDF format of the inventory to the offices of these two institutions at all levels (district or municipal prosecutors offices and similar).

Activity 3.2 – Provision of explanatory reports of conventions relevant in the field of international co-operation

Objective

To provide prosecutors and other relevant officials with more insight information into CoE conventions, including the rationale behind some of the measures introduced in international co-operation.

Description of activity

Project management in co-operation with the contact persons from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", identified the explanatory reports to be translated. These explanatory reports are related to the major Council of Europe conventions in the field of international co-operation (full titles are given below under results).

The importance of these documents lies in their in-depth analysis of each and every single article of the conventions in question. The practitioners will certainly find this very useful when having doubts on how to apply some articles in concrete mutual legal assistance cases. In addition, it might help those who have a responsibility to advise on whether some reservations should be made or withdrawn or, how to better define declarations. It might also be very useful for project areas which are still drafting laws on international co-operation.

With the aim of providing as many translations of explanatory reports as possible it was agreed with contact persons from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Serbia and Montenegro to translate different reports for each project area. Having in mind the fact that the languages are similar, the translated documents could be used in each of these project areas.

Results

1. The following explanatory reports were translated into Bosnian, Serbian and Macedonian languages:
 - European Convention on Extradition (ETS 024): translated into Bosnian and Macedonian languages;
 - European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (ETS 030), translated into Bosnian and Macedonian languages;
 - European Convention on the Transfer of Proceedings in Criminal Matters: translated into Serbian and Macedonian languages;
 - European Convention on the Transfer of Sentenced Persons: translated into Serbian and Macedonian languages and
 - Second additional protocol to the European Convention on Mutual Assistance in Criminal Matters (CETS 182): translated into Bosnian and Macedonian languages.
2. Three project areas - Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia and "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" – now have access to the explanatory reports in their languages.

Recommendation and follow-up

1. To upload the translated explanatory reports on the existing web sites of the ministries of justice and general prosecutors' offices in project areas and disseminate them as widely as possible within the judiciary.
2. Publish some of the translated explanatory reports (subject to budget availability).

3 ANALYSIS: PROGRESS TOWARDS OBJECTIVES AND EXPECTED RESULTS

Activities carried out during the reporting period are directly in line with, and contributed towards the fulfilment of the project's objectives.

In relation to **Output 1** - *draft laws available aimed at making investigations and prosecutions of serious crime cases more effective and facilitating cross-border co-operation* – a legislative review and follow up workshop on draft law on prevention of money laundering and terrorist financing of Kosovo was an important development which has prepared the ground for further activities. The project underlined its readiness to facilitate a follow up event, preferably with the wider participation of, and including officials from beneficiary Kosovo institutions.

The activity 1.2.3 – *Assessment of compliance with the CETS 182 and EU MLA convention from 2000* – was underway during the reporting period. Most of the questionnaires were sent to the international expert in July and his draft analysis is due in September.

In relation to **Output 2** - *human capacities of prosecution services strengthened* – one activity was organised – the internship for prosecutors in Portugal. The 19 participating prosecutors gained in-depth knowledge on the legal system and the practical functioning of prosecution services in an EU Member State. In addition, the internship provided an

excellent opportunity for networking and exchanging experiences with the hosts and colleagues from the region.

In relation to **Output 3** - *co-operation manual and other tools available for more effective co-operation against serious crime* – progress is made on Activities 3.1., 3.2 and 3.3.

- Activity 3.1. - *Preparation of an Inventory of multilateral and bilateral agreements* was completed. This Inventory will help prosecutors and judiciary officials to increase effectiveness in dealing with mutual legal assistance requests. With the Inventory at hand, they will be in a position to easily identify the international instrument(s) / bilateral agreement(s), on which they can base their co-operation for each specific case;
- Activity 3.2. - *Translation of explanatory report to conventions in the field of international co-operation* – partially completed. The translations of explanatory reports are another useful tool for the prosecutors and practitioners in the field of international co-operation. While the inventory provides an easy reference tool to speed up the process of dealing with the cases, the insight into the particularities of conventions will help to increase the quality of incoming and outgoing mutual legal assistance requests. Furthermore, such explanatory reports, will be in particular useful for working groups in the Ministries of Justice of project areas engaged in the process of drafting laws on international co-operation. The long term impact will be increased quality of legislation and international co-operation in general;
- Activity 3.3. - *Update of PACO co-operation Manual* – partially completed. By the end of the reporting period updated texts were available for all the project areas, except for Serbia. The updates were carried out by locally hired consultants, in co-operation with the project contact persons and officials from MoJs working on international co-operation. The level of involvement of officials from the Ministries of Justice varied from one project area to another therefore, prior to publication, the updated texts will be sent to the Ministries of Justice for their formal revision and approval.

Output 4 - *contact points for judicial co-operation strengthened* – no activities under this Output were planned to take place during the reporting period.

4 PARTNERS AND OTHER CO-OPERATION

Regarding co-operation with the project implementation partner, the Italian Ministry of Justice, the Council of Europe, as indicated in the previous progress report, has continued its efforts to engage the Italian Ministry of Justice and benefit from their advice during the forthcoming months of the project's implementation.

As regards co-operation with the contact persons, the overall assessment is positive. Nevertheless, a more proactive approach on the side of the contact persons is yet to be demonstrated.

5 VISIBILITY

The visibility of the project is ensured by:

1. Uploading information on upcoming project activities on the web site of the Economic Crime and Information Society Department of the Council of Europe:
http://www.coe.int/t/DGHL/cooperation/economiccrime/default_en.asp
2. Uploading approved project reports and information on project activities on the web page of the project:
http://www.coe.int/t/dghl/cooperation/economiccrime/JudicialCooperation/Projects/PROSECO/PROSECO_en.asp
3. Using the logo of the EU-CoE joint projects on project documents, such as: programmes for meetings; list of participants, project reports, expert opinions, letters and other written documents produced within the framework of the project.
4. Distribution of visibility kits during training sessions.
5. Publication of press releases for conferences and training sessions.

6 CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Even though the number of activities carried out during the reporting period June – August 2009 was limited due to holidays, significant progress was made towards provision of tools for more effective co-operation in the fight against serious crime. Progress was also achieved towards strengthening the capacities of project areas to co-operate against serious crime at regional and international level.

The overall assessment by the participants at the Internship for prosecutors in Portugal is very positive. Participants appreciated the opportunity to learn about the Portuguese legal system and benefited from networking with their colleagues from the host country and from the region of South Eastern Europe.

The provision of the expert opinion on the Draft law on prevention of money laundering and financing of terrorism of Kosovo, and the follow-up roundtable, helped EULEX in their efforts to bring the Draft law in line with relevant international standards.

The translation of explanatory reports to conventions in the field of international co-operation into some of the project areas languages, provides further co-operation opportunities for prosecutors and practitioners in the field of international co-operation.

Recommendations

Following the activities that took place during the reporting period, the following is recommended:

- the EULEX working group should ensure that suggestions from the expert opinion are incorporated into the draft law on prevention of money laundering and financing of terrorism and seek further advice if necessary;
- the Project Management (CoE) and the EULEX should co-organise a workshop on draft law on prevention of money laundering and financing of terrorism with the participation of drafters from relevant Kosovo offices;
- project areas should upload the Inventory on the existing sites of the ministries of justice and general prosecutor's offices, and should disseminate information in PDF format of the Inventory to the offices of these two institutions at all levels (district or municipal prosecutors offices and similar);
- project areas should upload the translated explanatory reports on the existing web sites of the ministries of justice and general prosecutors' offices and should disseminate them as widely as possible within the judiciary;
- the project management (CoE) shall check the budget availability for publishing some of the translated explanatory reports.

Follow up

In the period to be covered by the next Progress Report (1 September to 30 November 2009), emphasis will be placed on:

- Completion of the Report on compliance of project areas' legislation with the CETS 182 and EU MLA Convention and its dissemination to project areas;
- Finalisation of PACO Co-operation Manual;
- Completion of translations of explanatory reports and ensuring their availability by uploading them on the Project's web site and web sites of the Ministries of Justice and Offices of Prosecutor's General;
- Amending of Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) which established the Prosecutors' Network;
- Final review of the work plan¹⁰ and identification of topics for co-operation in-project areas and at regional level; consideration of inclusion of additional activities under Output 4 (such as visits to prosecutor's offices by Contact Points of Prosecutors' Network).

¹⁰ Steering Committee Meeting, 20 October 2009