

**Programmatic Cooperation Framework for  
Armenia, Azerbaijan, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine and Belarus**



**CoE/EU Eastern Partnership Programmatic Cooperation Framework (PCF)  
Ukraine: Fight against Corruption (PCF-UA)**

**Project Summary**

Project title	<b>Fight against Corruption (PCF-UA)</b>
Project area	Ukraine
Budget	EURO 1,000,000
Funding	European Union 90%; Council of Europe 10%
Implementation	Economic Crime and Cooperation Unit, Action against Crime Department, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law, Council of Europe
Duration	36 months (starting from 1 January 2015)

**BACKGROUND**

The Ukraine Project “Fight against Corruption” represents one of the four National Components under the CoE/EU Eastern Partnership Programmatic Cooperation Framework (PCF) Programme “Fight against corruption and fostering good governance / Fight against money-laundering” for Eastern Partnership countries specifically conceptualised to respond to the evolving situation in Ukraine. It functions as an Open Facility of Advisory Services aimed at providing Ukrainian authorities access to the wealth of Council of Europe expertise in the anti-corruption/economic crime field pursuant to existing and emerging needs.

**NEEDS, OBJECTIVES, EXPECTED RESULTS AND ACTIVITIES**

The **overall objective** of the PCF-UA Project is to contribute to democracy and the rule of law through prevention and control of corruption in Ukraine. Specifically, the Project looks to strengthen institutional capacities to counter corruption in Ukraine, in accordance with European standards, through targeted technical assistance. Project expected results and accompanying activities have been set through negotiations with Ukrainian authorities assigned to development and implementation of ongoing anti-corruption reforms in Ukraine.

The Project expected results and areas of assistance are:

- **Expected Result 1:** Increase compliance with anti-corruption legislation through;
  - Supporting the inclusion of and compliance with the anti-corruption standards as part of legislative drafting and capacity building in the framework of the criminal justice reform;

- Providing support in addressing GRECO recommendations concerning:
  - Asset recovery;
  - Bribery;
  - Trading in influence;
  - Political party financing;
  - Immunities;
  - Incriminations.
- **Expected Result 2:** Strengthen capacities of the National Anti-corruption Bureau (NABU) through:
  - Tailored training for law enforcement authorities (mainly Anti-Corruption Bureau), prosecutors, judges, on 1) economic crime; 2) money laundering; 3) mutual legal assistance and confiscation;
  - Exchange of practices with representatives of other homologue European and international anti-corruption enforcement agencies;
  - Support in carrying out risk assessments;
  - Support in the introduction and implementation of integrity testing tool;
  - Development of IT support on exchange and access to information and training of trainers.
- **Expected Result 3:** Strengthen institutional capacities for recovered and sized asset management through:
  - Training;
  - Share of good practices;
  - Development of internal regulation.
- **Expected Result 4:** Support the National Agency for Prevention of Corruption (NAPC) and strengthen the anti-corruption prevention measures through:
  - Provision of methodology and supporting the conduct of sectorial risk assessments;
  - Advice and support on the development of the new anti-corruption strategy 2018;
  - Training on ethics/anti-corruption measures in public service (possibly involving also regional and local level of government);
  - Supporting participation of media and civil society in the AC legislation reform and monitoring processes.

The activity results will be documented in technical papers, handbooks, or other **written output** which will be available on the Project website.

## COUNTERPARTS/BENEFICIARIES

Project beneficiary institutions will include legislative entities (Verkhovna Rada and relevant ministries), Ministry of Justice, National Anti-Corruption Bureau, National Agency for Prevention of Corruption and representatives of law enforcement agencies, prosecution service, the judiciary, civil society and media.

## IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS

As the key actor in this thematic area and the EaP region, the Council of Europe Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law, Action against Crime Department, will be in charge of implementing activities under this Project. It will engage international long- and short-term experts in the field of anti-corruption and economic crime and local experts from EaP countries to that end.

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