



International Conference

Disciplinary Liability of Judges and Prosecutors in Ukraine

October 19, 2018

Radisson Blu Hotel,
22 Yaroslaviv Val Street, Kyiv

Objectives:

- Introduce participants to international and European standards,-related to disciplinary proceedings against judges and prosecutors.
- Share good practices and lessons learned regarding the powers and authorities of disciplinary bodies in Portugal, Romania and the U.S.
- Identify current challenges related to conducting disciplinary proceedings against judges and prosecutors in Ukraine.
- Discuss ways to promote fair, transparent, and consistent approaches to disciplining judges and prosecutors by the High Council of Justice, Qualification and Disciplinary Commission of Prosecutors and Supreme Court.
- Develop recommendations on how to improve disciplinary practices against judges and prosecutors in Ukraine.

AGENDA

- 9:00-9:30 Registration and Welcome Coffee
- 9:30-10:15 Opening Remarks
Vadym Belianevych, Deputy Chair, High Council of Justice
Ann Hopper, Deputy Director, USAID/Ukraine Office of Democracy and Governance
Olena Lytvynenko, Deputy Head, Council of Europe Office in Ukraine
Yuriy Pitsyk, Secretary of the Qualification and Disciplinary Commission of Prosecutors
- 10:15-11:00 **Session I: International and European Standards and Good Practices Related to the Disciplinary Liability of Judges and Prosecutors**
- Judge José Manuel Cardoso, Court of Appeal of Lisbon Judicial District (Portugal), former Head of the Vice-President Cabinet of the High Council of Judges of Portugal, former member of the High Council of Judges of Portugal, expert of the USAID New Justice Program*
J. Reiko Callner, Executive Director, State of Washington Commission on Judicial Conduct (US), expert of the USAID New Justice Program
Mihail-Dragos Mihail, Judicial Inspector, Director of Judicial Inspection Division for Judges (Romania), expert of the USAID New Justice Program
- Moderator: **David Vaughn**, Chief of Party, USAID New Justice Program
- 11:00-11:30 **Coffee Break**
- 11:30-12:30 **Session I (Continued): International and European Standards and Good Practices Related to the Disciplinary Liability of Judges and Prosecutors**
- Jeremy McBride, Barrister, Monckton Chambers, London, Visiting Professor at Central European University, international consultant of the Council of Europe*
João António Rato, General Public Prosecutor Deputy, Court of Appeal of Oporto (Portugal), former member and inspector of the High Council of Prosecutors of Portugal
Roman Chlapak, Representative of the Secretariat of Group of States against Corruption (GRECO)
- Moderator: **Ketevan Tskhomelidze**, Project Manager, Council of Europe Project “Continued Support to the Criminal Justice Reform in Ukraine”
- 12:30-13:00 Questions and Answers
- 13:00-14:00 Lunch
- 14:00-15:00 **Session II: Disciplinary Proceedings Against Judges**

Judge José Manuel Cardoso, Court of Appeal of Lisbon Judicial District (Portugal), former Head of the Vice-President Cabinet of the High Council of Judges of Portugal, former member of the High Council of Judges of Portugal, expert of the USAID New Justice Program

J. Reiko Callner, Executive Director, State of Washington Commission on Judicial Conduct (USA), expert of the USAID New Justice Program

Oleksandr Serdyuk, Professor of the Yaroslav Mudryi National Law University, Director of Analytical Center, Kharkiv Institute of Applied Humanitarian Research, USAID New Justice Program Expert, expert of the USAID New Justice Program

Nataliya Akhtyrska, Associate Professor, Taras Shevchenko University of Kyiv, Department of Justice, expert of the USAID New Justice Program

Larysa Shvetsova, High Council of Justice member, member of the HCJ Third Disciplinary Chamber

Moderator: **Andrii Boyko**, High Council of Justice member, member of the HCJ Second Disciplinary Chamber

15:00-15:30 Questions and Answers

15:30-16:00 Coffee Break

16:00-17:00 **Session III: Disciplinary Proceedings Against Prosecutors**

Oleksandra Yanovska, Justice of the Supreme Court

Sergiy Kostenko, Member of the Qualification and Disciplinary Commission of Prosecutors

Volodymyr Komkov, Member of the High Council of Justice

Oleksandr Banchuk, Law enforcement reform expert, Centre of Policy and Legal Reform

João António Rato, General Public Prosecutor Deputy, Court of Appeal of Oporto (Portugal), former Member and Inspector of the High Council of Prosecutors of Portugal

Moderator: **Yuriy Pitsyk**, Secretary of the Qualification and Disciplinary Commission of Prosecutors

17:00-17:30 Questions and Answers

17:30-18:00 Conclusions and Recommendations