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Agenda

Workshop: Cooperation between stakeholders on AML/CFT and AC sector - Use of Asset Declaration for AML purpose

Venue: Hotel Tiffany, Prizren
6-7 February 2020

BACKGROUND

The overall objective of PECK II is to contribute to the democracy and the rule of law through the prevention and control of corruption; money laundering; and the financing of terrorism in Kosovo. The Project's purpose is to strengthen institutional capacities to counter corruption; money laundering; and financing of terrorism in Kosovo in accordance with European standards through targeted technical assistance and assessments for improving and streamlining economic crime reforms. The Kosovo Anti-Corruption Agency (KAA) and the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) are the main counterpart institutions while a broad range of central institutions are direct beneficiaries of the technical assistance provided from this Project.

OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKSHOP

The purpose of the Workshop is twofold:

- a) enhance the understanding of synergies between the AML/CFT and AC Sector and of the use of Asset Declaration for AML purposes;
- b) discuss public and private partnerships in the area of AML/CFT.

The findings and recommendations of the 2018 AML/CFT Assessment Report as well as the commitments of the Kosovo authorities stemming from the Anti-Corruption London Summit held in 2016 are the basis of discussions.

PARTICIPANTS

Participants to this event include representatives of FIU, Central Bank, Anti-Corruption Agency, Prosecution, Police, Judiciary, Customs, Tax Administration, Civil Society and EUD.

* This designation is without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

Thursday, 6 February 2020	
9:00 – 09:30	<p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>FIU Deputy Director</i> ▪ <i>ACA Director</i> ▪ <i>Head of AML - Central Bank</i> ▪ <i>EUD</i> <p><i>Moderated by PECK II Senior Project Officer</i></p>
09:30 – 10:45	<p>The use of the AML framework to combat corruption and the cooperation among stakeholders</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i>
10:45 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:00	<p>Using Asset Declarations for AML/CFT purposes- legislation, institutions and practice in Kosovo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Director of ACA</i> ▪ <i>FIU Deputy Director</i>
12:00 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 15:00	<p>Types of information currently exchanged by stakeholders in Kosovo</p> <p>Brief presentation by each institution:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>FIU</i> ▪ <i>CB</i> ▪ <i>ACA</i> ▪ <i>Police</i> ▪ <i>NCEC</i>
15:00 - 15:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:15 – 16:00	<p>Questions and wrap up of the day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i>
Friday, 7 February 2020	
09:15 – 10:45	<p>Enhancing the information flow between the financial sector and the FIU</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Deputy Head of FIU</i> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i>
10:45 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:00	<p>The experience of the civil society in preventing and fighting corruption in Kosovo</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Kosovo Law Institute</i>
12:00 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 14:30	<p>Public-private information sharing partnerships as a tool to prevent and combat money laundering linked to corruption</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Deputy Head of FIU</i> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i>

14:30 – 15:00	<p>Brainstorming session: participants to share their recommendations and feedback on how to improve synergies between Kosovo’s anti-corruption and AML institutional frameworks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Deputy Head of FIU</i> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i>
15:00 - 15:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:15 – 15:45	<p>Conclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i> ▪ <i>Senior Project Manager at PECK II</i>
16:00-16:30	Departure to Pristina