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Mediation Development Toolkit Ensuring implementation of the CEPEJ Guidelines on mediation

Baseline Grid for Mediation Key Performance Indicators

(Baseline Mediation Statistics)

for use by mediation providers, associations, institutes and/or federations, individual mediators and the Council of Europe member States

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This tool has been developed with reference to points 1 to 3 (Availability, Accessibility and Awareness) of the CEPEJ Guidelines on mediation.

A mediation survey that was conducted in 2017 by the European Commission for the Efficiency of Justice (CEPEJ) revealed that there are substantial differences between the Council of Europe Member states in keeping records and measuring key performance indicators of mediation systems. In some Members States such statistics are not collected at all at national level.

Keeping homogeneous records on key indicators of performance helps Member States in the monitoring of their mediation systems, and thereby better enabling progress to be made in future policy-making.

This Baseline Grid for Mediation Key Performance Indicators is therefore designed to help improve the measurement of the performance of mediation systems, and enable comparative analysis of the efficiency of such systems among different Member States.

Explanatory note for use of the grid

Types of cases and other indicators might be adapted considering national legislation and practice. However, in order to enable comparative analysis among different Council of Europe Member States, it is advisable to keep statistics in such a way that it allows the extraction of main indicators in accordance with the grid provided below.

The grid represents only baseline statistics. Mediation providers, associations, institutes and/or federations, individual mediators and Member States may collect and assess data reflecting other indicators of performance that are reasonable and useful for their specific purposes.

If possible, collection and evaluation of statistical data shall be performed more frequently than once per year.

It is advisable to use information and electronic communication technologies and specialized software to expedite and increase efficiency in keeping statistical records on mediation and their analysis.

In any case, collection of statistical data and its analytics shall not interfere with the confidentiality principle which is fundamental in mediation.

1. Number of mediation processes

			Dispu	te Matters		
Number	Civil and Commercial	Family	Penal	Administr ative	Labour	Consumer
a) Number of filing or requests of mediation requested at least by one party or mediation referrals by courts/other institutions/officers	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
b) Number of introductory mediation information sessions or meetings where information on mediation was provided to parties	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
c) Number of mediations with the presence of all parties	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
d) Number of mediations totally or partially settled	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP

2) Type of recourse of mediations (1c) and settlements (1d) by dispute matters

Mediations in civil and commercial dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	(y) Nr. of mediations partially or totally settled	Settlement Rate (y/x %)
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by a contract clause signed before the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

Mediations in family dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	(y) Nr. of mediations partially or totally settled	Settlement Rate (y/x %)
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by a contract clause signed before the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

Mediations in adult penal dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	(y) Nr. of mediations partially or totally settled	Settlement Rate (y/x %)
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by a contract clause signed before the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

Mediations in juveniles penal dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	(y) Nr. of mediations partially or totally settled	Settlement Rate (y/x %)
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by a contract clause signed before the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

Mediations in administrative dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	(y) Nr. of mediations partially or totally settled	Settlement Rate (y/x %)
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by a contract clause signed before the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

Mediations in labour dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	partially or totally	
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by signing an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by signing an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

Mediations in consumer dispute matters

Type of recourse	(x) Nr. of mediation processes	(y) Nr. of mediations partially or totally settled	Settlement Rate (y/x %)
a) Required by the law as pre-condition to access to the Court	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
b) Court related, referral or ordered by judge or prosecutor in the course of a judicial proceeding	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
c) Voluntary mediation by an agreement to mediate after the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
d) Voluntary mediation by a contract clause signed before the dispute arose	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	
Totals	equals to 1c	equals to 1d	

NB: Each group of mediation processes may be broken down by specific dispute matters (e.g. renting, banking, divorce, telecommunications, etc.), value of the disputes and/or other parameters that are relevant

3) Balance relationship between mediations and incoming judicial proceedings in first instance court by dispute matters (to be calculated by Member States)

Dispute Matters	(x) Nr. of full mediation processes (1c)	(y) Nr. of incoming cases in first instance courts	Balance relationship Rate (y/x %)
a) Civil and commercial			
b) Family			
c) Administrative			
d) Labor			
e) Consumer			
f) Penal	Adult	Adult	Adult
	Juveniles	Juveniles	Juveniles

4) Number and qualifications of mediators¹

Qualifications	Accredited as mediators	Non-accredited professional acting as mediators
a) Attorneys-at-law and other		
lawyers	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
b) Notaries		
	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
c) Enforcement agents/officers		
	NA NAP	NA NAP
d) Judges		
	NA NAP	NA NAP
e) Psychologists		
	NA NAP	□NA □NAP
f) Other ²		
	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
Total		

5) Specialization of mediators

Specialization in Dispute Matters	Number of accredited mediators	Non-accredited professionals acting as mediators
a) Civil and commercial		
	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
b) Family		
	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
c) Administrative		
	NA NAP	NA NAP
d) Labor		
	NA NAP	□NA □NAP
e) Consumer		
	NA NAP	□NA □NAP
f) Penal	Adult	Adult
	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
	Juveniles	Juveniles
	NA NAP	NA NAP

¹ It is advisable to make a split of numbers of mediators and mediation providers per different cities and regions of the country to monitor performance of a network.

² Please specify.

6) Number, ownership and specialisation of mediation providers

Ownarahin	Specialisation in Dispute Matters					
Ownership	Civil and Commercial	Family	Penal	Administrative	Labour	Consumer
a) Private	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
b) Court-related	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
c) Chambers of Commerce	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP

d) Bar associations	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
e) State or Municipalities	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
f) Other ³	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP	□NA □NAP
Total			Adult NA NAP Juveniles NA NAP Total NA NAP			

³ Please specify.