

# PARTNERSHIP FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE

The **“Partnership for Good Governance”** (PGG) is a flagship joint initiative of the European Union and the Council of Europe that underpins reforms in the EU Eastern Partnership region aimed at aligning national legislation, policies, and practices with European standards in key areas of **justice, countering economic crime, promoting equality and non-discrimination, and women’s access to justice, with particular attention to countries on the EU accession path.**

Now in its **third** phrase, the programme delivers **tailored legal and policy support, facilitates regional peer learning, and provides rapid legislative expertise** through the Quick Response Mechanism (QRM). It is a flexible, demand-driven platform that responds to evolving reform needs and delivers tangible benefits for institutions, professionals, and citizens across the region.

## BY THE NUMBERS | AS OF JANUARY 2026



**12 COUNTRY-SPECIFIC PROJECTS** IMPLEMENTED IN ARMENIA, AZERBAIJAN, GEORGIA, THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA, AND UKRAINE



**4 REGIONAL PROJECTS**, INCLUDING THE “JUSTICE DASHBOARD EAP”

A **DEDICATED PROJECT WITH BELARUSIAN DEMOCRATIC FORCES AND CIVIL SOCIETY** TO PROMOTE EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION



**A BUDGET OF 21,23 MILLION EUROS**

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# IMPACT OF THE PARTNERSHIP FOR GOOD GOVERNANCE PROGRAMME



## STRENGTHENING JUSTICE SYSTEMS

**More independent, efficient and accountable justice systems.** The justice sector of the Republic of Moldova upgraded its automated information system, allowing to collect data on the courts' performance. This improves efficiency, evidence-based decision-making, and public accountability. The Constitutional Court of Ukraine adopted a Code of Ethics, a key step towards greater integrity and trust in the justice system. **EU Eastern Partnership** judicial institutions are able now to better collect and report judicial data in accordance with the CEPEJ methodology, thus improving the quality of evaluation of judicial reform across the region.

## PREVENTING AND FIGHTING ECONOMIC CRIME

**Stronger institutions to prevent, detect and respond to corruption and money laundering.** **Armenia's** anti-corruption framework is now better aligned with Council of Europe Group of States against Corruption recommendations thus closing loopholes and strengthening prevention and enforcement. Public institutions across the **EU Eastern Partnership region** enhanced their capacities to conduct corruption risk assessments and to identify emerging financial risks linked to cross-border crime, essential for designing effective policies.

## PROMOTING EQUALITY AND NON-DISCRIMINATION

**Efficient policies and remedies rolled out to combat discrimination, hatred, and racism.** Journalists and media professionals in **Georgia** have the tools to use more ethical and non-stigmatising language helping to reduce hate speech and report more fairly on vulnerable groups. Cross-regional platforms for equality bodies and civil society from the Western Balkans and the **EU Eastern Partnership region** create more opportunities for sharing effective solutions to address discrimination.

## ADVANCING WOMEN'S ACCESS TO JUSTICE AND PROTECTION FROM VIOLENCE

**A more gender responsive justice chain.** **Azerbaijan** amended its legal framework to strengthen victim protection and improve the effectiveness of protection orders, reflecting Council of Europe recommendations. Across the **EU Eastern Partnership region**, a network of judicial training institutions facilitates peer learning and joint development of innovative teaching methods that advance women's access to justice.



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