

PROJECT DESCRIPTION	
Project title	Strengthening the Institutional Capacity of the Supreme Court of Justice of the Republic of Moldova (Phase II)
Country/region	Republic of Moldova
Budget	950 000 Euros
Donor	Council of Europe Action Plan for the Republic of Moldova for 2025-2028
Duration	33 months (1 April 2026 – 31 December 2028)
Partners and beneficiaries	Supreme Court of Justice of the Republic of Moldova, Agency for Digitalisation of Justice and Judicial Administration, Superior Council of Magistracy and Ministry of Justice.
Project goal and objectives	Project goal: Court users of the Republic of Moldova benefit from improved human rights protection in accordance with European standards. Objectives: 1. Strengthen the SCJ's role in ensuring the uniform application of the law and the delivery of quality justice. 2. Improve institutional efficiency through effective management and the operationalisation of new regulatory and strategic frameworks. 3. Enhance communication capacities to ensure transparency and reinforce public trust in the judiciary.
Expected results	1. The capacities of the SCJ judges and judicial assistants are enhanced to ensure uniform application of the law. 2. All SCJ judges and judicial assistants have knowledge to use standardised tools and resources for drafting clear, well-structured, and transparent judicial decisions.

	3. Access to SCJ case-law is improved through strengthened digital publication and enhanced search functionalities. 4. SCJ leadership, managerial, and organisational capacities are strengthened through the adoption of the Institutional Development Strategy and its action plan. 5. The organisational framework of the SCJ is improved through the adoption and operationalisation of clear internal regulations, standard operating procedures, and defined internal processes. 6. SCJ's relevant staff having skills and capacity to operate and maintain the digital communication tools. 7. The capacities of SCJ leadership and the communication team are strengthened, thus ensuring a coordinated and coherent institutional communication.
Key activities	1. Capacity-building activities and expert support will be provided to SCJ judges and judicial assistants to enhance legal reasoning, improve the quality and consistency of judicial decisions, and promote the use of unification mechanisms. 2. IT development services and expert support will support the development and operation of case-law publication and advanced search functionalities within the national case-law portal. 3. Expert advice and capacity-building activities will support SCJ leadership and administrative staff in strengthening managerial capacities, improving coordination, and operationalising key institutional frameworks, including the Internal Regulation, standard operating procedures, and the Institutional Development Strategy. 4. The Project will support the development of a modern SCJ website, enhance the use of digital communication tools, and strengthen institutional communication capacities through mentoring, expert advice, and support in preparing key communication products.