## **DETAILED PROJECT DESCRIPTION**

| Project title                 | Support for the Implementation of Judicial Reform in Serbia  |
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| Country/region                | Serbia   |
| Budget                        | 3.334.000€   |
| Donor                         | EU (80%) and Council of Europe (20%)   |
| Duration                      | 36 months  |
| Partners and<br>beneficiaries | Main partners and beneficiaries: Target groups of the project are the institutions in Serbia that are in charge of the judicial reform policy making and implementing, namely: the Supreme Court of Cassation, the High Judicial Council, the Republic Public Prosecutor's Office, the State Prosecutorial Council, the Ministry of Justice, the Administrative Court, the Commercial Appellate Court, the Misdemeanour Appellate Court, appellate courts in Belgrade, Kragujevac, Nis and Novi Sad, the Higher Court in Belgrade, the Judicial Academy, professional associations of judges and prosecutors. The project will consult the civil society and the media and create synergies with these actors. When relevant these will be involved in activities in particularly in certain aspects of judicial training. |
| Main objective and objectives | Project objective: The project aims to advance reforms of the justice<br>system in Serbia by supporting the development of the legislation<br>and practices relevant for the issues of judicial independence,<br>accountability, access to justice, judicial training and harmonisation<br>of judicial practice.   |
| Expected results              | The project is structured in four components :   |
|                               | <ul> <li>Component I aims at improving the legal framework, legislation and regulations, in order to facilitate judicial reforms in line with European standards by providing advice on improving the national legislation, practices and regulation, as well as institutional capacities of judicial institutions</li> <li>Component II focuses on consolidating judicial system through enhanced management practices to achieve effective and consistent</li> </ul>   |

|                | delivery of judicial services, to better serve the needs of end beneficiaries.  |
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|                | <b>Component III</b> aims at advancing the quality of justice through<br>enhanced judicial training and increased compliance with European<br>standards by legal professionals. |
|                | <b>Component IV</b> focuses on increasing harmonisation of judicial practice, hence improving legal certainty.  |
| Key activities | The workplan of the project is composed of a balanced mix of assessments, research, expert intervention, training, outreach events, and specialised working groups, etc.        |