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Agenda

Roundtable: “New criminal provisions on corruption, international standards and implementation”

Venue: Hotel Sirius, Pristina
14-15 October 2019

PROGRAMME BACKGROUND

The Project’s overall objective 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.

OBJECTIVE OF THE WORKSHOP

This workshop is organised in support to relevant practitioners (including criminal judges, prosecutors, investigators and others) in the area of Anti-Corruption. The outcome of this activity will be to enable participants in better understanding and applying evolved incriminations in the Criminal Code on corruption-related offences.

PARTICIPANTS

Participants to this event include criminal judges from basic courts, Court of Appeal and Supreme Court, prosecutors from Special Prosecution Office and organised crime departments within the prosecutorial system, investigators from Kosovo Police (Directorate against Economic Crime and Corruption Investigation), Customs and Tax Administration as well as officials from Kosovo Anti-Corruption Agency, Financial Intelligence Unit and Ministry of Justice.

* 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.

Monday, 14 October 2019

9:00 – 09:30	<p>Introductory remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Ministry of Justice</i> ▪ <i>State Prosecutor Office</i> ▪ <i>EUD</i> <p><i>Council of Europe / PECK II Project</i></p>
09:30 – 10:45	<p>Enhanced compliance with relevant international standards in anti-corruption area</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Overview of reference standards - Revised corruption-related provisions in the new Criminal Code - Related definitions (developments and current status) <p><i>Council of Europe Expert / discussion</i></p>
10:45 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:00	<p>Bribery in public sector and bribery of foreign public officials</p> <p><i>Council of Europe Expert / discussion</i></p>
12:00 – 13:30	<i>Lunch</i>
13:30 – 14:30	<p>Bribery in private sector</p> <p><i>Council of Europe Expert / discussion</i></p>
14:30 – 15:00	<p>Trading in influence</p> <p><i>Council of Europe Expert / group discussion</i></p>
15:00 - 15:15	<i>Coffee break</i>
15:15 – 15:45	<p>Criminal liability of legal persons (Criminal Code and other legislation)</p> <p><i>Council of Europe Expert / discussion</i></p>
15:45 – 16:00	<p>Questions and wrap up</p> <p><i>Council of Europe Expert</i></p>

Tuesday, 15 October 2019

09:15 – 10:45	<p>Prohibitions in exercising public function, profession, activity or duty Extra-territorial jurisdiction of specific criminal offences</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert / discussion</i>
10:45 – 11:00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11:00 – 12:30	Other criminal offences against official duty

	<p>(Conflict of interest, abusing official position or authority, fraud in office, unlawful collection and disbursement, other abuses, failure or false declaration of assets and private interests)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert / discussion</i>
12:30 – 13:30	<p>Questions and Conclusions</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ <i>Council of Europe Expert</i> ▪ <i>Council of Europe / PECK II Project</i>
13:30 -14:30	<p>Lunch</p>