

## PROJECT SUMMARY

<b>Title of the Programme</b>	European Union/Council of Europe Joint Programme "Regional Support to Reinforce Human Rights, Rule of Law and Democracy in the Southern Mediterranean" (South Programme IV)
<b>Programme Financing</b>	Funded 90% by the European Union and 10% by the Council of Europe (CoE)
<b>Donor</b>	European Union
<b>Title of the Project</b>	Promotion of good governance: Fight against corruption and money laundering in the Southern Mediterranean (SNAC 4)
<b>Project Budget</b>	450,000 EUR
<b>Duration</b>	24 months (1 March 2020 – 28 February 2022)

### 1. BACKGROUND

Since its start in 2012, the South Programme has been a strategic European Union-Council of Europe initiative supporting democratic reforms in the Southern Mediterranean based on the demand from the partners from the region. From legislative expertise to the strengthening of institutions' capacities, through peer-to-peer exchanges and networks, the South Programme has contributed to the establishment of a common legal area between the two shores of the Mediterranean.

The Programme's current phase, South Programme IV (2020 – 2022), answers to needs jointly identified with partners of the region and builds upon the achievements and success of its first (2012-2014), second (2015-2017) and third (2018-2020) phase, as well as on the results of the Neighbourhood partnerships with Morocco, Tunisia and Jordan.

The South Programme III specifically aims at:

- pursuing the creation of a common legal space between Europe and the Southern Mediterranean through the promotion of key Council of Europe conventions, partial agreements and European and international standards;
- providing institutional support to democratic governance and independent instances, legal expertise, networking and capacity building;  
promoting the expansion of existing relevant networks between Europe and the Southern Mediterranean and support the creation of new inter and intraregional networks;  
combating violence against women using Council of Europe relevant standards, tools and mechanisms as a transversal priority.

\* This designation shall not be construed as recognition of a State of Palestine and is without prejudice to the individual positions of Council of Europe member States on this issue.

## 2. PROJECT ON PROMOTION OF GOOD GOVERNANCE: FIGHT AGAINST CORRUPTION AND MONEY-LAUNDERING (SNAC 4)

Project on Promotion of Good Governance: Fight against Corruption and Money Laundering is one of the four components of the fourth phase of the South Programme. The overall objective of SNAC 4 is to promote good governance and prevention of corruption, money laundering and financing of terrorism at regional level (MENA), in line with European and international standards, by continuing to build local and regional capacities in Jordan, Morocco, Tunisia and Palestine\*. It aims to do so by promoting implementation of Council of Europe standards in the area of fight against economic crime and possible accession to such instruments; increasing awareness and participation of the civil society, media, and private sector actors in the national anti-corruption reforms; and strengthening regional and international networks in the fields of anti-corruption and anti-money laundering & combatting the financing of terrorism.

SNAC 4 will provide technical assistance to all jurisdictions covered on the regional level through joint and jurisdiction-specific actions pursuing the regional goal.

**The Immediate Outcomes** of SNAC 4 are:

<b>Intermediate Outcome 1</b>	Supporting the creation of a common legal space between Europe and the Southern Mediterranean
<b>Intermediate Outcome 2</b>	The capacities of relevant state bodies, the civil society as well as the private sector are strengthened regarding common issues of interest and concern in the area of anti-corruption
<b>Intermediate Outcome 3</b>	Project jurisdictions' active participation in anti-corruption and AML/CFT networks is supported

## 3. CONTACTS

The SNAC 4 Project is implemented by the Economic Crime and Cooperation Division (ECCD) of the Action against Crime Department, Directorate of Information Society and Action against Crime, Directorate General I of the Council of Europe. The national coordination among beneficiary countries and jurisdiction are the respective anti-corruption agencies.

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