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Technical Support Instrument (TSI)

25SI13 –PUBLIC PROSECUTOR CAPACITY TO FIGHT ECONOMIC AND FINANCIAL CRIME

Project Summary

Project title	Public Prosecutor capacity to fight economic and financial crime (25SI13)
Project area	Slovenia
Budget	459 770 EUR
Funding	European Commission SG REFORM (90%) and Council of Europe (10%)
Implementation	Economic Crime and Cooperation Division
Duration	24 months (29 September 2025 – 28 September 2027)

1. BACKGROUND

The Technical Support Instrument (TSI) is the European Union (EU) programme that provides tailor-made technical expertise to EU Member States to design and implement reforms. The support is demand-driven and does not require co-financing from Member States. The TSI is the successor programme of the Structural Reform Support Programme (2017-2020) and builds on its experience in building capacity in Member States.

In 2025, the European Commission's Reform and Investment Task Force (SG REFORM) continued its cooperation with the Council of Europe to support Member States in effectuating structural reforms in governance and public administration and the financial sector. The technical support will be provided under the conditions set in the Framework Contribution Agreement REFORM/IM2025/006. As part of this envelope and in order to contribute to reforms in EU Member States, the Economic Crime and Cooperation Division of the Council of Europe will be supporting as of July 2025 nine EU Member States (Belgium, Bulgaria, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Slovenia and Spain) in implementing anti-money laundering/countering terrorist financing (AML/CFT) reforms, as well as in supporting effective investigation and prosecution of economic and financial crimes.

2. PROJECT IMPACT, OBJECTIVE AND OUTCOMES

The general objective of the Project is to support Slovenia in its efforts to implement reforms, which could encourage investment, increase competitiveness and assist in achieving sustainable economic and social convergence, resilience and recovery. The expected long-term effect of this Project (impact) is enhanced capacity of the State Prosecutor Offices (SPO) to effectively investigate and prosecute complex economic and financial crimes.

More specifically, the project will develop recommendations for legislative amendments, based on a gap analysis, comparative studies, and expert consultations, to align Slovenia's legal framework with EU best practices for prosecuting corruption, fraud, money laundering, and related offences. In parallel, it will provide recommendations for organisational reforms, enhancing the efficiency of Prosecutor's Offices and interagency cooperation through assessments, workshops, and a final report on structural improvements. The project will also facilitate best practice exchanges with EU counterparts, enabling Slovenian prosecutors to learn directly from successful models. To reinforce practical capacity, it will deliver hands-on support from financial experts, assisting in real cases, providing specialised analysis, and offering targeted workshops on economic crime investigations. Finally, it will establish a training strategy for prosecutors, including an organisational learning framework and interactive online modules, to ensure continuous professional development and knowledge management in tackling economic and financial crime.

The Outcomes of the Project are:

Outcome 1	Enhanced legal and regulatory framework for prosecuting economic crimes in Slovenia through the implementation of legislative reforms.
Outcome 2	Improved operational effectiveness of the State Prosecutor's Office through enhanced institutional structure, strengthened cooperation with other institutions, and optimised use of expert resources.
Outcome 3	Strengthened capacity of the Slovenian State Prosecutor's Office through continuous training on economic crime investigations.

3. IMPLEMENTATION ARRANGEMENTS AND CONTACTS

The Project is being implemented by the Economic Crime and Cooperation Division (ECCD) within the Economic Crime and Corruption Department, Directorate General I Human Rights and Rule of Law of the Council of Europe. The national coordination for the beneficiary country is conducted by the Supreme State Prosecutor's Office of the Republic of Slovenia.

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