

Government of Republic of Macedonia
Anticorruption policy activities

*Summer school on newly elected judges and public
prosecutors of South-East Europe*

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GOVERNMENT OF REPUBLIC OF MACEDONIA'S ACTIVITIES

- I. Legislative activities;
- II. Institutional activities;
- III. Raising of public awareness.

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I. LEGISLATIVE ACTIVITIES

HARMONISATION

1. Harmonization of laws with the international anticorruption instruments:

Council of Europe instruments:

- Criminal Convention of corruption and its additional protocol,
- Civil Convention for prevention of corruption,
- Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure And Confiscation of the Proceeds From Crime,
- European Convention for mutual Legal Assistance in criminal matters, its Additional Protocol and the Second Additional Protocol,

United Nations instruments:

- Convention against transnational organized crime (Palermo Convention) and
- United Nations Convention against corruption

TRANSPOSITION

2. Transposition

Criminal Convention on Corruption (CoE):

- **Criminal Code,**
- **Law on Criminal Procedure,**
- **Law on Prevention of Corruption,**

Civil Convention of Corruption (CoE):

- **Law on obligations,**
- **Law on prevention of corruption,**

Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure And Confiscation of the Proceeds From Crime (CoE):

- **Criminal Code,**
- **Law on Criminal Procedure,**

United Nations Convention against corruption:

- **Criminal Code,**
- **Law on Criminal Procedure,**
- **Law on Prevention of Corruption**

LEGISLATIVE FRAMEWORK

- **Law on Prevention of Corruption,**
- **Criminal Code,**
- **Law on Criminal Procedure,**
- **Law on prevention of conflict of interest,**
- **Electoral Code,**
- **Law on Interception of Communications,**
- **Law on Public Procurement,**
- **Law on Financial Police,**
- **Law on Public Revenue Audit,**
- **Law on Notaries,**

ONGOING ACTIVITIES

- **Law on Changes and Addendum of the Criminal Code :**
 - **Harmonized with other laws of the anticorruption legal framework and with international anticorruption instruments, recommendations of GRECO and MONEYVAL,**
- **New Law on Criminal Procedure – (and Action Plan for Implementation of the Law on Criminal Procedure) -**
 - **Introduces more active role of the Prosecutors in the pre-trial procedure, establishment of investigative centers, more active role of the parties during the court procedure, shortens the court procedure,**
- **Law on Changes and Addendum of the Law on Conflict of Interests and**
- **Law on Civil Associations and Foundations**

II. INSTITUTIONAL ACTIVITIES

- **Law on Courts – establishes special court department for organized crime and confiscation cases for the whole territory of republic of Macedonia,**
- **Law on Public Prosecution – establishes Basic Public Prosecution for Organized Crime and Corruption**
- **Law on management of confiscated property, Property Gained and Objects Seized in Criminal and Misdemeanor Procedures (harmonised with the Council of Europe Convention on Laundering, Search, Seizure and Confiscation of the Proceeds from Crime and on the Financing of Terrorism from 2005) – establishes Agency for Managing of Confiscated Property**

INTERDEPARTMENTAL BODY

- **Government interdepartmental body for coordination of the activities against corruption**
- **Established in 2006, as recommendation of GRECO,**
- **Competences:**
 - **coordination of the activities of the authorised bodies for fight against the corruption,**
 - **strengthening the mutual cooperation and mutual notification,**
 - **information exchange,**
 - **realisation of the recommendations from GRECO reports and other international organisations**

ACTION PLAN

Government Action Plan for Fight Against Corruption 2007 – 2011

- Adopted on June 2006,
- Government Council for Implementation of the
Action Plan for Fight Against Corruption 2007-2011
 - Established – on March 2008**
 - Charred – by the Prime Minister
 - Members – Minister of justice, Minister of interior and Minister of internal affairs
 - Regular meetings
- Budget of the Action Plan – adopted on March 2008
 - **624.7 million denars in total,**
 - **102.5 million denars - Budget of RM 2009**
 - **153.725.000 denars - Budget of RM 2009**

ACTIVITIES FOR COOPERATION WITH GRECO

- **First Evaluation Round – implementation completed with the implementations of the last recommendation: adoption of criteria for lifting MPs immunity (Article 53 of the Parliament of RM Rulebook);**
- **In October 2007, GRECO adopted the Second Evaluation Report on the Republic of Macedonia, with a conclusion that the country has successfully implemented 2/3 of the fourteen recommendations**
 - ongoing activities for implementation of
 - the rest of the recommendations;
- **Third Evaluation Round – September 2009 – ongoing preparation activities**

ANTICORRUPTION COMPETENCES BODIES

Activities of the state bodies with competences in the anticorruption policy:

- State Audit Office,
 - Public Procurement Office,
 - Public Revenue Office,
 - Customs Administration,
 - Financial Police Office,
 - Prevention of Money Laundering and Financing of Terrorism Office
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- State Commission for Prevention of Corruption,
 - Civil Servants Agency

III. WIDE NATIONAL CAMPAIGN

- Anticorruption media campaign
- Placing the citizen in core of the activities
- According to the Transparency International Corruption Perception Index – in 2008 - is ranged on 74 position –
progress towards 2007 (on 106 position)

Thank you for the attention !!!