



**Ministry of Justice  
of the Republic of Moldova**

**Minutes no. 1 of 22 January 2014  
Of the Meeting of the Steering Committee  
Responsible for Implementing the Financing Agreement  
between the Moldovan Government and the European Union on the Program to Support the  
Justice Reform**

**Present at the meeting:**

**Chairperson of the Steering Committee: Sabina CERBU – Deputy Minister of Justice**

**Members of the Committee:**

1. Serghei DIACONU – Deputy Minister of Interior;
2. Iurie GARABA – Deputy Prosecutor General;
3. Ștefan CREANGĂ – Deputy Minister of Finance;
4. Serghei SÎRBU – Moldovan Parliament, Legal Committee for Appointments and Immunities;
5. Svetlana FILINCOVA – Supreme Court of Justice;
6. Adrian ERMURACHI – State Chancery;
7. Victor MICU – Superior Council of Magistrates;
8. Mircea ROȘIORU – President of the Superior Council of Prosecutors;
9. Victoria NEAGA – UE Delegation in Moldova;
10. Olga VACARCIUC – Human Rights Center;
11. Oxana NOVICOV – Union of Bailiffs of Moldova;
12. Victor ZAHARIA – Institute for Penal Reforms.
13. Oxana GUMENAI – Council for Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination.

**Participants in the meeting:**

1. Erik SWANIDZE – TA Project implemented with the EU support;
2. Oleg HÎRBU – UE Delegation to Moldova;
3. Silvia MARCHITAN – Ministry of Justice;
4. Natalia CRISTIAN - Ministry of Justice;
5. Daniela VIDAICU - Ministry of Justice;
6. Olga CEBANU – Ministry of Justice;
7. Sergiu STAVIȚA – Ministry of Justice;
8. Iulia GHEORGHIȘ - Ministry of Justice.

Secretary of the working group who was appointed ad hoc: Olga BUREA – assistant in the Cabinet of the Minister.

**The following were not present at the meeting:**

1. Nadejda HRIPTIEVSCHI – member of the Steering Committee, Legal Resource Center of Moldova.

**The following subjects were discussed:**

1. Presentation of the goal and objectives of the creation of the Steering Committee responsible for implementing the Financing Agreement between the Moldovan Government and the European Union on the Program to Support the Justice Sector Reform. The representation of the UE Delegation to Moldova appreciated the creation of the Committee.
2. The members of the Steering Committee were informed about the conditionalities for issuing the tranches provided to ensure the budgetary support for implementing the Justice Sector Reform Strategy, about the general conditions for issuing the tranches, the manners and schedule of the disbursements (budget support). At the same time, the representatives of the UE Delegation to Moldova specified the manner of verification of fulfillment of the conditionalities by the Moldovan authorities, the need for cooperation among the responsible institutions, etc.
3. The role of the Steering Committee was discussed. Its meetings are to be held periodically to assess the progress of the reforms promoted by the program, by reviewing and approving the annual progress reports on the implementation of the conditionalities.
4. The first draft on the assessment of the actions of the Policy Matrix for 2013 was presented. The information will be updated up to March 2014 because many of the activities are being completed and a final report is to be prepared on the fulfillment of all conditionalities.
5. The representatives of the State Chancery and of the EU Delegation insisted on completing the draft report with activities related to the functioning of the coordination and monitoring mechanism within the MoJ as well as with information about activities related to the budget-fiscal policy and the MTBF.
6. The responsible institutions were asked to make efforts in view of carrying out the activities.
7. It was communicated that the Ministry of Justice had already established an agenda with all the priorities for 2014.
8. The Committee was informed about all the actions of the policy matrix and the level of their implementation.

**No questions were asked and no suggestions or comments were made.**

**The following was decided:**

1. All responsible institutions to achieve all the indicators of the Policy Matrix.
2. The Ministry of Justice to request from each responsible institution information about the manner and level of implementation of the activities stipulated in the Matrix.
3. To establish a meeting to take place in March to approve the final report on meeting all the conditionalities indicated in the 2013 Policy Matrix.
4. To submit to the Minister of Justice the Order on Creation of the Steering Committee.
5. To bring to the notice of the members of the Steering Committee the minutes of the meeting of 22 January 2014.

*Note: The audio recording of the meeting will be sent to all the members of the Steering Committee, which is considered attachment to these Minutes.*

**Chairperson of the meeting:**

**Sabina CERBU**

**Ad hoc secretary of the meeting:**

**Olga BUREA**