



## PROGRAMME TITLE:

Enhancing transparency, legal certainty and efficiency of the judicial system in Macedonia

## PROGRAMME TIMEFRAME:

June 1<sup>st</sup> 2018 – March 31<sup>st</sup> 2020

## PROGRAMME PURPOSE:

The Program purpose is to improve the public perception and trust in the justice system by supporting the reform process and increasing the capacity of the judiciary

## PROGRAMME DESCRIPTION:

The program is implemented in 3 components with the aim to conduct an objective assessment of the progress of the judicial reforms in Macedonia. This will be achieved through a full-fledged implementation of a Judicial Indicator Matrix and will contribute to enhancing the legal certainty through improved legislation, consistent application of the law and increased transparency and open justice.

1. Implementation of the Judicial Indicator Matrix for monitoring progress of the judicial reforms in Macedonia
  - » Nationwide implementation of the Matrix;
  - » Baseline assessment of the performance in the judiciary in five key areas.
2. Enhancing legal certainty and predictability through improved legislation and judicial training for consistent application of the law
  - » Trainings and continued education for structure of judgements and implementation of ECtHR;
  - » Establishing a Coordinative body of judges and policy makers;
  - » Establishing a platform for analysis of national court practice.
3. Open Justice – Working in partnership towards transparency, openness and accountability
  - » Support partnership and cooperation between civil society and judiciary;
  - » Producing policy papers on the economic value of justice for the experts and general public.

## PROGRAMME STAKEHOLDERS:

- » Supreme Court, Higher Administrative Court, all Appellate Court, Administrative Court, all Basic Courts, court staff;
- » Public Prosecution Council, Judicial Council;
- » Academy for Judges and Public Prosecutors;
- » Public Prosecution Office;
- » Ministry of Justice;
- » Macedonian Bar Association, Notary Chamber, Chamber of Enforcement Agents, Mediators Chamber of Republic;
- » Association of Judges, Association of Public Prosecutors, Association of Judicial Administration;
- » State Attorney;
- » CSOs.

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