

OUTPUT 1.5 – To strengthen the capacities of the CCCEC to analyse corruption-related phenomena and trends, as well as to design and implement measures for the prevention of corruption

The MOLICO Project provided substantial assistance to the CCCEC's Directorate for analysis, prognosis and prevention (DAPP) to develop the capacities of the prevention department. . The CCCEC is the main counterpart of the anticorruption component of the project invested with an important leading role in implementation of prevention measures as risk assessment and corruption proofing of legislation as well as by elaborating research studies.

In order to increase the technical capacities of the prevention department, a presentation of the special investigative means used for audio surveillance has been organised in March 2007. A Danish firm SPECTRONIC – one of the world's leaders in this area presented its last generation developments in audio SIMS. The event has been attended by the President of the Republic of Moldova, Secretary of the Supreme Security Council, Prosecutor General, leadership of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Security and Intelligence Service, Customs Department, Border Guards Department and the Department for Penitentiary Institutions of the Ministry of Justice. The equipment was tested by the representatives of the above-mentioned bodies in practice. In May 2007, two experts' presentations of analytical software (SPSS and I2) were organised for CCCEC representatives and anticorruption prosecutors (activities relevant also for Output 1.3).

DAPP representatives participated in two study visits, establishing direct relations with counterpart organisations as the Commission for the Prevention of Corruption from Slovenia (June 2007) and Service Central for Prevention of Corruption from France (November 2007). The visits provided access to best practices in conducting risk assessment and research of corruption phenomenon. The visits also offered the opportunity to the CCCEC representatives to initiate negotiations with the counterpart organisations for concluding Memorandums of Understanding. Furthermore, in March 2007, DAPP representatives attended an international Expert Seminar for Eastern Europe and Central Asia "Criminalisation of Corruption", Almaty, Kazakhstan. Mutual assistance in corruption cases, liability of legal persons and confiscation in corruption cases were main topics of the events. In 2007 several analytical studies were drafted by the DAPP experts on impact of corruption in vulnerable sectors as: education system, public tenders for the health system, process of accreditation and performance evaluation of the medical institutions, assets disclosure for high ranking officials, local public administration system. These studies were sent to the competent authorities for analyse and adoption of measures to address the findings.

The following materials were published and elaborated with MOLICO support: Activity report on 5 years of the CCCEC; Anticorruption Strategy and Action Plan 2007 – 2009 and CCCEC documentary film.

In February 2008, GRECO reviewed the Addendum to the Compliance Report submitted by the Republic of Moldova under the first evaluation round. This report also referred to the recommendation made by GRECO to carry out "necessary studies...in order to gain a clearer insight into the scale of corruption and its various features so that anti-corruption initiatives and plans can be targeted more effectively". Following the analysis of progress reports

submitted by the Republic of Moldova on this subject, GRECO concluded that that activities conducted by CCCEC in analysing corruption-related phenomena are in line with the first recommendation made in 2003. Furthermore, GRECO considers that the Moldovan authorities now have "further tools (not just based on opinion polls) to help them fine-tune and focus their anti-corruption reforms more effectively".

Needs assessment for developing the training curricula of the analytical unit was conducted during February – March 2008 and areas of interest for CCCEC experts were identified. Consequently, CCCEC advanced new proposals to address these needs:

- supporting the participation of three analysts to a series of basic and advanced trainings delivered by Greater Manchester Police,
- conducting research on the characteristics of corruption phenomenon within the education system.
- organising two days training on analysing corruption within public tender systems.

All three proposals are currently under consideration.

In May 2008, the MOLICO project organised a series of training events dedicated to the staff of the Department for Prevention, Analytics and Anti-corruption Programs, CCCEC.

- The first training addressed the best practices in preventing corruption – the Latvian model. CCCEC experts gained knowledge regarding KNAB's experience in implementing preventive measures (codes of conduct, management of conflict of interest, etc.); monitoring the impact of anti-corruption strategies; analyses and prognosis of the corruption phenomenon, education and awareness-raising campaigns. The event also set the basis for further developing the direct interaction between CCCEC and KNAB.
- The second training aimed at developing the risk assessment training modules for public authorities. The training event was dedicated to the staff of the Unit for Prevention and Analytics – the unit that will be in charge with ensuring the implementation at national level of the risk assessment methodology for public authorities. Following the inputs received from the CCCEC staff, the MOLICO project, in co-operation with the short term experts, will develop a training module on risk assessment methodology that will be implemented at the beginning of September 2008. Following the implementation of this training module, CCCEC staff will be capable to replicate the training in all central public authorities.

The MOLICO project, in co-operation with CCCEC, initiated the procedure for selecting the participants to the Anti-corruption Summer School for Youth. 30 students from law, political science and journalism faculties are expected to attend the one week training in 20 – 27 July 2008. The training will provide the young participants with basic knowledge about measures to prevent and combat corruption. Furthermore, participants will assist CCCEC Preventive Department in conducting an on-site awareness-raising campaign and will also run a series of interviews with students on impact of corruption for the youth. The summer school is part of the National Action Plan adopted by the Government regarding the Youth Year.

Activities related to procurement of equipment for the Department for Prevention, Analytics and Anti-corruption Programs are ongoing, several units having already delivered (printers and multifunctional copy machines), while computers and laptops are yet to be delivered. Additional procurement procedures were initiated, especially for analytical software, servers, case management software – GO case and equipment for the training room.

- Visit of the Moldavian delegation of investigators and prosecutors to the Exhibition "Security Technologies", Moscow, Russia (Output 1.3 and 1.5) (8 – 9 February 2007);

- Presentation by SPECTRONIC Denmark A/S of the special investigative means used for audio surveillance (in connection with Output 1.3) (19 March 2007);
- A Moldovan delegation representing the Ministry of Justice, the CCCEC and the Anti-corruption Prosecutor Office attended the Expert Seminar for Eastern Europe and Central Asia "Criminalisation of Corruption", Almaty, Kazakhstan (26-27 March, 2007);
- 6 representatives of the DAPP attended a study visit to the Service Central for the Prevention of Corruption, Paris, France (13 -15 November 2007);
- Publications: Activity report of CCCEC after 5 years; CCCEC presentation movie;
- Two testing expositions for analytical software (I2 and SPSS) were organised within CCCEC headquarters (activity connected with Output 1.3) (21 May and 24 May 2007);
- CoE experts reviewed the IT – hardware and software requests for assistance made by the prosecution unit Activity 1.5.3. (11 – 12 July 2007);
- Together with COE experts, the CCCEC representatives assessed a pilot project designed in co-operation with International Association of Business and Parliament for conducting the research on *Impact of corruption for the business environment*; (29 November 2007). The research activities are expected to start in the first quarter of 2008.
- Since May 2008, the MOLICO project organised a series of training events dedicated to the staff of the Department for Prevention, Analytics and Anti-corruption Programs, CCCEC: training on best practices in preventing corruption – the Latvian model training on developing the risk assessment training modules for public authorities