





"Support to the anti-corruption strategy of Georgia" (GEPAC)

Workshop on Code of Ethics for Prosecutors

Programme

20 April 2008

Office of the Prosecutor General Tbilisi, Georgia

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12:00-12:15 Opening remarks

- Mr Giorgi Latsabidze, First Deputy Prosecutor General
- Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser
- Moderator: Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser

12:15-13:30 Presentation on International Standards and Discussion

- Introduction to International Principles and Practices of Prosecutorial Conduct with particular focus on the UN Guidelines on the Role of Prosecutors and Standards of the International Association of Prosecutors – Mr Sam Makkan, Council of Europe expert
- Moderator: Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser

13:30-14:30 Lunch

14:30-15:30 Discussion: Practical implementation of the key articles of the Ethics Code

- Focus on understanding, correct interpretation and application of the key provisions of the Code of Ethics - Malkhaz Ghughunishvili, Council of Europe Expert
- Case studies to illustrate examples Mr Malkhaz Ghughunishvili and Mr Giorgi Jokhadze, Council of Europe Experts
- Moderator: Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser

15:30-16:00 Coffee break

16:00-17:00 Discussion: Current challenges and possible amendments to the Code of Ethics (1)

- Defining and detailing actual exercise of prosecution powers in the Code of Ethics
 Mr Malkhaz Ghughunishvili and Mr Giorgi Jokhadze
- Introduction of prosecutorial discretion under the new Code Mr Giorgi Jokhadze
- Mechanisms for referring cases to and hearings by the Prosecution Council Mr Malkhaz Ghughunishvili and Mr Giorgi Jokhadze
- Moderator: Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser

17:00-17:30 Discussion: Current challenges and possible amendments to the Code of Ethics (2)

- Model of public participation in prosecutorial duties via local prosecution councils and/or "public prosecutor's offices" in Mtskheta and Telavi regions – Mr Giorgi Jokhadze and Mr Malkhaz Ghughunishvili
- Status, form and structure of the Code of Ethics choice between the "continental" model (general set of principles) or the "common law" model (detailed rules of conduct) – Mr Malkhaz Ghughunishvili Mr Giorgi Jokhadze
- Moderator: Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser

17:30-18:00 Conclusion

- Mr Sam Makkan, Council of Europe Expert
- Mr Givi Kutidze, GEPAC Long Term Adviser