

**PGG: Strengthening the Capacities of the Justice Sector Actors to deliver Justice in line with European standards, in particular to fight Discrimination in the Republic of Moldova**

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**EaP countries:**  
Moldova

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**Implementing organisation(s):**  
Council of Europe

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**Project description:**

The project is funded by the European Union and the Council of Europe and implemented by the Council of Europe. The main goal of the project is to align the justice system at the national level with European standards in the field of discrimination.

The activities will allow to strengthen the Equality Council's practice for a more effective fulfilment of its role, will increase the capacity of the judges and prosecutors to deliver higher-quality justice on discrimination cases through the use of harmonised application of European standards and will allow the Lawyers Training Center to organize and deliver courses in a more efficient manner.

By focusing on the cross-cutting issue of non-discrimination and on vulnerable groups the project will ensure that the capacities of the key Moldovan justice sector actors to implement European human rights standards are strengthened in order to properly fulfill their professional role and contributing to restoring public trust in the judicial system.

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**Expected results:**

Under Specific objective 1:

- The National Institute of Justice has a higher capacity to deliver courses to improve knowledge and skills to judges, prosecutors and judicial staff on European standards.
- Greater number of legal professionals know and apply non-discrimination related European standards in their work.

Under specific objective 2:

- Lawyers and intern lawyers are better trained on the implementation of European standards in line with their professional needs.

Under specific objective 3:

- The Equality Council's staff and members are empowered to implement European standards in dealing with non-discrimination cases and are enabled to efficiently cooperate with other relevant actors.
- The Equality Council's monitoring instruments are improved, and effectiveness of sanctions is measured.



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