

MONTHLY E-Newsletter in the Field of Anti-Corruption

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The role of the National Coordinator Against Corruption

The Minister of Justice, in their role as the National Coordinator Against Corruption, is responsible for coordinating the implementation of the Intersectoral Strategy Against Corruption (ISAC). The vision of this strategy is to create transparent institutions, with high standards of integrity, that enjoy the trust of citizens and that guarantee qualitative and incorruptible services. This vision has been adopted into three approaches: preventive, punitive and awareness-raising against corruption.

Pursuant to the awareness-raising measures and activities, each year the Ministry of Justice, drafts the Anti-Corruption Communication and Visibility Strategy. Through it, the Ministry aims to reach different audiences, within and outside public institutions and to build a new relationship with citizens, based on mutual trust, in the prevention and fight against corruption. The electronic newsletter is a broad communication tool that aims to inform through a summary of the main anticorruption activities carried out by the Ministry of Justice, on a monthly basis.

Activities in August, 2021

Drafting and consultation of the Draft Semi-Annual Monitoring Report of the Action Plan, for the implementation of the Intersectoral Strategy Against Corruption

06.08.2021. The Technical Secretariat at the National Coordinator Against Corruption in the Ministry of Justice, completed the monitoring process and drafted the Semi-Annual Monitoring Report of the Action Plan 2020-2023, for the implementation of the Intersectoral Strategy Against Corruption (ISAC), for the January-June 2021 period. The draft-monitoring report presents in an analytical and quantitative way the progress made by all reporting institutions for the implementation of measures/activities of the ISAC, the level of fulfillment of indicators, the level of fulfillment of strategic objectives as well as the follow-up and implementation of the recommendations of the previous monitoring report. This is the second monitoring report of the Action Plan in the implementation of the ISAC for 2021. The Draft Semi-Annual Report is subject to institutional consultation with all the reporting institutions as well as extensive consultation with the public and Civil Society Organizations (CSOs). The draft Semi-Annual Report will be finalized in September 2021 and it will be discussed and approved at the meeting of the Coordination Committee for the implementation of the ISAC.



The Draft Semi-Annual Report is accessible at this link: http://drejtesia.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Draft-Raporti-i-monitorimit-SNKK-Janar-Qershor-2021 -AL.pdf



Drafting and consultation of the Draft Self-Evaluation Report of the National Action Plan 2020-2022, of the Open Government Partnership

04.08.2021. The Technical Secretariat at the National Coordinator Against Corruption in the Ministry of Justice, completed the drafting of the Self-Assessment Report of the National Action Plan 2020-2022, of the Open Government Partnership. This self-assessment report is a reference for the 2020 annual period and the January-June 2021 period. The Self-Assessment Report is drafted in accordance with the methodology of the monitoring and analysis of the Independent Reporting Mechanism (IRM) of the Open Government Partnership (OGP). The Self-Assessment Report contains a summary analysis of the achievements and feasibility of the National Action Plan, for component no.1: anti-corruption - integrity plans, in relation to the values of open governance which are: transparency and access to information, public accountability, public participation of citizens as well as technology and innovation. The Self-Assessment Report has been consulted with the co-drafting CSOs of the National Action Plan 2020-2022 and will be discussed and approved at the Thematic Policy Making Group meeting in September 2021

The Draft Self-Assessment Report of the National Action Plan 2020-2022, of the Open Government Partnership is accessible at this link: https://ogp.gov.al/artikull/raporte-monitorimi-lufta-kunder-korrupsionit

The second phase of public consultation of the Draft Methodological Instrument for the Monitoring of the Integrity Plan for Central Government Institutions

11.08.2021. The Ministry of Justice has drafted the Methodological Instrument for the Monitoring of the Integrity Plan for Central Government Institutions, in accordance with the provisions of the National Action Plan 2020-2022, of the Open Government Partnership (OGP), specifically the point of reference no.9, priority measure no.2, commitment no.1 of the thematic anti-corruption component. The draft document underwent the first phase of public consultation in accordance with the principle of co-drafting of policy documents with active civil society organizations in the country, whose comments and suggestions were fully reflected in the document. The document was also consulted with integrity experts of the Delegation of the European Union. The Methodological Instrument for the Monitoring of the Integrity Plan is the first to be drafted and follows the development of the Integrity Plan Instrument in Central Government Institutions. The instrument will facilitate the monitoring of integrity plans for central government institutions and will provide informative reports on their implementation and the possibility for future improvement and review.



The Draft-Instrument is accessible at this link: http://drejtesia.gov.al/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Draft-Metodologjia-e-Monitorimit-te-Integritetit AL.pdf



Report any case of corruption!

02.08.2021. The Ministry of Justice in its role as the National Coordinator Against Corruption has called upon all Albanian citizens, individuals and businesses operating in the country, to be active in the fight against corruption. Following the consolidation of the Network of Anti-Corruption Coordinators, in 17 agencies, directorates and institutions that provide public services at the central level and in three of them at the local level, it has made available to the public a reporting channel, which is a direct electronic communication with the Anti-Corruption Coordinators. The Network of Anti-Corruption Coordinators operates in: the State Cadastre Agency; ADISA; National Inspectorate of Territorial Defense; General Directorate of Civil Status; State Inspectorate of Labor and Social Services; General Directorate of Taxation; General Directorate of Customs; General Maritime Directorate; Agency for Agricultural and Rural Development; National Food Authority; National Coast Agency; National Agency of Protected Areas; National Environment Agency; Health Care Operator; General Directorate of Road Transport Service.

For corrupt encounters in these institutions, the Ministry of Justice has made available a quick and secure opportunity to report these cases of corruption at: koordinatori.ak@drejtesia.gov.al

Public awareness-raising campaign on anti-corruption mechanisms

03.08.2021. The Ministry of Justice in its role as the National Coordinator Against Corruption is in the process of successfully finalizing an awareness-raising campaign aimed at increasing civic information through the recognition of anti-corruption mechanisms by citizens and the general public. The campaign contains 17 videos aimed at raising the awareness of citizens to report corruption to the Network of Anti-Corruption Coordinators; informative videos on the role of the National Coordinator Against Corruption; as well as brochures and acts to advocate the fight against corruption. Several videos have been and will continue to be published. Citizens, businesses, various interest groups will be informed about these mechanisms and are kindly called upon to collaborate in the fight against corruption, under the motto "Together against corruption!". This initiative is in line with the Awareness Approach of the Intersectoral Strategy Against Corruption and it is supported by the Delegation of the European Union in Tirana.

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Videos and information on the use of anti-corruption mechanisms will be accessible through the official website of the Ministry of Justice: www.drejtesia.gov.al and through social networks in use, such as: https://www.facebook.com/drejtesia.gov.al and https://www.facebook.com/EtildaGjonaj.

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