

The Focus

The goal of the Project is to support and assist the Albanian Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, to maximize its operational Integrity Compliance capacities on the basis of best internationally accepted standards of good governance.

The objectives are:

- To provide a full picture of the state of affairs of integrity compliance structures, policies and procedures in the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy, and identify intervention points for public action.



- Align the suggested interventions with the best examples of integrity compliance from reputable institutions and international best practices.
- Provide templates of IC related documents to be used by the public institution as per their policies and legal context.



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INTEGRITY COMPLIANCE: SETTING THE EXAMPLE WITH ADVANCED STANDARDS



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Implementing Partner:

Cooperation and Development Institute

Beneficiary:

Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy of Albania

Supported by:

Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Tirana

Duration: July 2019 – March 2020

ACTIVITIES



Scoping of the IC Institutional context

This activity consists in desk research and interviews with MIE civil servants at different level of hierarchy. The output will be the identification of the current state of affairs, understanding of the IC structure and policies, and evaluation of the overall framework conditions.



Review of MIE integrity compliance policies and procedures

Output of this activity will be: i) list of high-risk activities / high-risk nodes, and ii) a in-depth assessment and description of a specific case of IC-related practice.



Set up of pilot integrity compliance group and capacity building

The project will work closely with pre-identified civil servants and will set up tailor-made integrity-compliance exposure program, with a strong component of capacity building combining a workshop delivered in Albania, and one study visit in an EU MS and peer-to-peer exchange of experience.



IC Templates to use and outreach

The project will conclude with its Book of Findings, production of IC templates and a final conference organized in Tirana with the participation of IC relevant stakeholders.

PRELIMINARY ACHIEVEMENTS

- **Desk research on the best practices on Integrity compliance programs.**

Identification of the IC activities active in Albania that are specialized on integrity compliance, and of their promoters.

- **Assessment of applicable national legislation addressing integrity issues in public institutions, an institutional context.**

Identification of national and international strategies, laws, by-laws and other on integrity and anti-corruption documents, and their analysis from the legal and regulatory point of view.

- **Analysis of the state of affairs in the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy** as related to integrity compliance (internal organization and good governance) and in relation with selected subordinated agencies.

- **Completed interviews** at all level of management & dependent agencies .

- **Identification of training providers** and preparation of training program modules in Tirana and in a EU Member State.

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This institutional commitment at the highest level is the first and main condition of making IC an integral part of the institutional DNA.

On 23.10.2019 a Memorandum of Understanding between the Ministry of Infrastructure and Energy and the Embassy of the Kingdom of the Netherlands in Tirana was signed. The Memorandum sets the foundation for integrity institutional governance as well as provides the framework for this pilot project to be carried out with the fullest cooperation of the Albanian Government.