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Activities from Continuous Training Program (CTP)

Construction contracts and liability of the contractor

On June 2nd 2017, Academy of Justice within its continuous training program conducted training on “Construction Contracts and liability of the contractor”.

Purpose of this training was to enhance the participant’s knowledge and discuss and introduce best practices in order to conduct successfully disputes that relate to construction contracts.

This training elaborated on the following issues: construction contract’s features and legal nature, avoidance from the project and unforeseen urgent work, effect of the changes to the price in construction contracts, as well as the right of the

customer to require deduction of the contracted price. It was further elaborated on the construction contract with special provision, as well as liability in cases of deficiencies.

The training was conducted in the form of interactive discussions, comparing with the applicable legal framework, as well as challenges and difficulties in cases of disputes that relate to construction contracts.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and legal associates of the basic instance.



Criminal offences according to Customs Code

On June 7th 2017, Academy of Justice within its continuous trainings delivered a training on “Criminal Offences according to the Customs Code”.

Purpose of this training was to enhance the participant’s knowledge and present best practices in identification, investigation and trial of these crimes which have become frequent.

The training focused on criminal offences stipulated in the Kosovo Customs and Excise Code, specifics of these offences, and customs criminal offences as per the Criminal Code of Kosovo.

The training elaborated on the legal framework covering these offences, as well as the tasks and competencies of the customs in combating illegal activities, border crime, drug smug-

gling, weapon smuggling etc.

Particular attention was paid to the weight of these offences and their occurrence in different forms, as well as on obligation of relevant institutions to combat them through respective measures and mechanisms, as these crimes jeopardize our country’s economy.

The training was delivered in form of interactive discussions where the participants could present their challenges and difficulties they face in investigation and trial of these offences.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of the basic instance.



Workshop on Gender Equality in judicial proceedings

On June 9th 2017, Academy of Justice with the support of the GIZ Legal and Administrative Reform Project, conducted workshop on the topic of Gender equality in judicial proceedings.



Purpose of this workshop was to jointly discuss the judges and prosecutors needs in state level pertaining to capacity increase on handling the gender equality related cases.

This workshop enabled analysis of the challenges for implementing the gender quality legislation, the system deficiencies, cases that most frequently face gender discrimination, judgment practices in courts and prosecutions of Kosovo, as well as other specifics of the procedure.

The results of the group work in cases of domestic violence presented the following issues: insufficient reasoning of judgments, discrepancies between protection orders, needs for emergency treatment, supervision of implementation of the measures, and applicability in the procedure, decent representation as well as institutional cooperation. The working group on marriage disputes presented the inadequate assistance of the Social Welfare Centers, economic conditions, portioning of the common property, adequate assessment of the spouses contribution, distin-

guishing the individual property from the common property of spouses, availability of the entire property to men, and other issues; it was also discussed about gender discrimination in work related disputes.

From all the identified problems, the following needs were raised: need for joint roundtables of judges, prosecutors and all the stakeholders, including the victim defenders, investigation police, profiled professionals, assigning judges for domestic violence cases, empowering the free legal aid, establishment of contact groups, and other specialized trainings on trial advocacy skills and judgment reasoning based on the trial areas.

Consequently, participants agreed that a certain number of judges, prosecutors and other stakeholders that are involved in these procedures cooperate to analyze the court judgments upon which they make a needs assessment on what shall a training module on gender equality include.

Participants of this workshop were judges, prosecutors, investigation police, and representatives from the Ombudsperson, as well as from the



Admissibility of the request/complaint at the Special Chamber of the Supreme Court

On June 9th 2017, Academy of Justice within its continuous trainings provided training on Admissibility of the request at the Special Chamber.

This training aimed to contribute the professional capacity development and extending the participant's knowledge related to the request admissibility, criteria and correct application of legal provisions of the CLK and LSC.

During the training general aspects of the request admissibility was treated, the court actions after submission of the request, judicial control of meeting the admissibility criteria, as well as its admissibility criteria at the Special Chamber.

A comprehensive elaboration was made also on the most frequent cases submitted to the SCSC and which do not meet the criteria, and this was elaborated through practical cases.

Participants had the possibility to exercise in groups and assess practical examples for admissibility criteria, and in which direction the court shall focus in order to assess if they are met before the case goes to the indictment merit review.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of the Supreme Court and of the Special Chamber of the Supreme Court, the Appeals Court and basic courts, as well as professional associates.



Judgments and its types according to the LCP

On June 14th 2017, Academy of Justice conducted training on “Judgments and its types according to LCP”.

Purpose of this training was to extend the judge’s knowledge on correct assessment of specific conditions for issuing judgments and their reasoning in order to apply correctly provisions of the Law on Contested Procedure.

This training comprehensively treated and analyzed the judgments, types of judgments and conditions for issuing them. Particular attention was paid to partial judgment, judgments based on confirmation (reasoning, causes of appeal),

judgment based on withdrawal from the claim, judgments because of disobedience, because of absence, judgments without the main hearing of the matter, as well as complementary judgment.

It was further elaborated on reasoning of each type of judgment. In which case the participating judges presented their practical cases and had the possibility to receive clear instructions on respecting the rules and the law.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of the general department – civil division from basic instance courts of Kosovo



Specialized Training Program for Capacity Building on Combating Money Laundering – Session I

On June 16-17 2017, Academy of Justice within its Continuous Training Program, conducted a Specialized Training for Capacity Building on Combating Money Laundering – Session I.

Purpose of this training was to enhance the participant's knowledge with key elements of criminal offences of Money laundering, in order to build and strengthen professional capacities in combating informal economy.

This training session elaborated on criminal offences of money laundering, terrorism funding and sanctions, weaknesses of financial institutions in regard to money laundering and terrorism financing, as well as combating money laundering and terrorism funding in practice.

This training elaborated further on the applicable

legal framework, competencies for investigating money laundering, as well as on the Financial Intelligence Unit, reporting entities to this central and independent national institution responsible for requesting, receiving, analyzing and disseminating to the competent authorities, disclosures of information which concern potential money laundering and terrorist financing.

It was also discussed on related criminal offences, basic problems with regard to examination of fraud and other specific issues that related to this specific type of crimes.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges from the Appeals Court and from basic courts, and prosecutors of the Special Prosecution of Kosovo and of the basic instance.



Provisional Asset seizing, sequestration and confiscation

On June 21st 2017, Academy of Justice conducted training on “Provisional Asset Seizing, Sequestration and Confiscation”.

Purpose of this training was to establish best practices in the area of applying legal provisions that are related to provisional asset seizing, sequestration and confiscation.

This training elaborated on issues related to sequestration and confiscation according to the Criminal procedure Code (CPP), including provisions of the Law on Extended Competencies for Confiscation of illicit assets, which provides the possibility for sequestration and confiscation.

Particular attention was paid to comparison of the national and international legislation, the judicial case law, and to introduction of global trends of this area.

This training was delivered in the form of interactive discussion, where the participants could present their challenges and difficulties they face in practice when dealing with cases of provisional seizing of assets, sequestration and confiscation.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of basic instance



Privatization procedure of entities by the Kosovo Privatization Agency

On June 23rd 2017, Academy of Justice within its CTP conducted training on “Privatization procedure of entities by the Kosovo Privatization Agency”.

Purpose of this training was to extend the judges knowledge on the privatization procedures of entities by the Kosovo Privatization Agency, role of the Agency in the privatization process, verification and announcing the provisional winner, approval and rejection of the bid, and prohibited bidders.

This training also provided answers to queries like: is there procedure violation by the KPA in cases of bid approval or rejection? What was the state of SOE’s in Kosovo after the war, what were their debts? What are difficulties of the judiciary in solving cases of this nature?

At the training it was discussed about the general conditions in Kosovo that preceded the need for privatization and adequate and timely liquidation of socially owned enterprises. Considering the continuous legal uncertainty about property of

these enterprises and assets, also understanding that this legal uncertainty was seriously and negatively impacting on the general economic and social situation in Kosovo, raised the need for issuing laws and bylaws that regulate the privatization process issue.

The actual practical issues were comprehensively addressed and analyzed, acquainting and understanding better the role of the agency in the privatization process in Kosovo; correct implementation of the privatization procedures of entities; and identification of prohibited bidders.

The aforementioned matters and other issues raised by the participants were treated in depth through discussions of participants and elaboration of the trainers to reach at the end to adequate conclusions.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of the Special Chamber of the Supreme Court, judges of basic courts – civil division and official of the KPA.



Reasoning of Court Decisions in Civil Law Area

On June 28th 2017, Academy of Justice conducted training on “Reasoning of court decisions in Civil Law Area”.

Purpose of this training was to enhance the participant’s knowledge on writing techniques and methodology and reasoning of court decisions in civil law area.

This training elaborated on theoretical and practical instructions in drafting court decisions, in order to have a highly professional court decision and a detailed and well-argued reasoning.

Focus of the training was on the four-step method of legal reasoning known as IRAC (which stands for: Issue, Rule, Application and Conclu-

sion). Participants had the chance to acquaint on ways to implement the IRAC method while drafting court decisions, the structure of court decisions set by this method, as well as difficulties in applying the IRAC method for court decisions of the civil law area.

The training used combined methods of teaching, to include the theoretical and practical parts followed by practical examples, where the participants were active participating in discussions with the presenter after each topic.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of the basic instance.



Financial Investigation

On June 29-30 2017, Academy of Justice in cooperation with the EU funded Twinning Project on International Legal Cooperation in Criminal Justice, implemented by the Prosecutors Network of Western Balkans conducted the workshop on Financial Investigation.

Purpose of this workshop was to help the participants identify main indicators for a more efficient process of financial investigation, implement correctly the existing legislation, interpret correctly the investigation procedure for criminal offences with financial elements, as well as to support unification of the case law.

Principal focus of this workshop was elaboration of challenges faced during tracing, management and recuperation of income or other property related to crime, in both national and international level.

Also, the training treated issues related to use of intelligence information for identification of remedies that related to assets, combating and prevention measures of money laundering and terrorism funding, with particular emphasis on asset recuperation from the law enforcement's perspective.

The workshop was interactive and accompanied with examples from the case law and from the work of the participants.

Beneficiaries of this training were prosecutors of all instances, Kosovo Police Officials, Kosovo Customs and from the Financial Investigation Unit.



Trial of Juvenile and Adults in one Judicial Process

On June 30th 2017, academy of Justice in cooperation with UNICEF conducted training on Trial of Juveniles and Adults in one Judicial Process.

Purpose of this training was to enhance knowledge of participants related to legal infrastructure that has to be implemented in cases when the juvenile together with an adult have committed different criminal offences.

This training treated the issue of trial of the juvenile and adults, when in co-perpetration, aid or incitement have committed crimes, as in practice there are considerable cases when juveniles commit crimes together with adult persons.

The training comprehensively covered the proce-

cedure against juveniles which is not identical with the procedure against adults, which is more urgent and involves persons and institutions that do not participate in the procedure against adults.

This training paid attention to cases of separating the proceeding, and other issues that occur in practice.

Training was delivered in the form of interactive discussions, where the participants had the chance to present their challenges and difficulties they face in practice.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of basic instance.



Activities from Initial Training Program (ITP)

Activities implemented in ITP – June 2017

The Academy of Justice, in fulfilling its training program continued with implementation of the planned activities within the Initial Training Program, which is being followed by newly appointed state prosecutors.



The sub-module "Evidence in the Criminal Procedure" was completed during June, carrying out in this form four (4) training sessions, within which were treated: obtaining evidence through covert and technical of surveillance and investigation, evidence at the investigation stage, search, temporary seizure and expert witnesses, taking evidence during investigation, the defendant's statement and witness testimony, as well as inadmissible evidence.

Within the framework of the theoretical training, was also conducted another sub-module on: "Defendant in Criminal Procedure", where five (5) training sessions were held dealing issues such as: defendant as a subject of criminal proceeding, defendant's testimony as evidence, his rights and obligations during the criminal proceedings, the state of the defendant after filing and during the confirmation of the indict-

ment, defendant during the trial and the right to exercise legal remedies, as well as the defendant during short procedure and the procedure for international legal aid.

Also, two (2) training were conducted from the sub-module: "Witnesses and injured parties in criminal proceedings" where were treated: the meaning and types of witnesses, interrogation and witness testimony before filing the indictment. Whereas, during June, one (1) training was organized from the sub-module: "EU Law" and a session on "Developing Social Skills of Prosecutors".

Sub-module: "Trial advocacy skills" that commenced in May, has been concluded in this period, conducting as such five (5) trainings. Therefore, after completion of this sub-module was also conducted a "mock trial" where newly appointed prosecutors, in order to implement successfully

In the framework of practical training, newly appointed prosecutors continued their practice in the respective prosecution offices according to the program schedule, under the supervision of their mentors.

As for the training in non-judicial institutions, newly appointed prosecutors had the opportunity to look closely at the work of the following institutions: Kosovo Correctional Service (Lipjan Correctional Center) and Kosovo Police.

Practical training at Kosovo Correctional Center (Correctional Center in Lipjan)

On 21 June 2017, the Academy of Justice in cooperation with Kosovo Correctional Center, conducted training for newly appointed prosecutors at the respective Center.

The purpose of this training was to familiarize the newly appointed prosecutors with the work and mandate of the Correctional Center in general in particular with the work of the Correctional Center in Lipjan.

Initially, during this visit, the Director of the Correctional Center in Lipjan presented a short history of the establishment and development, the role and mandate of the center, the structure of its organization and functioning, as well as the categories of persons in the correctional center. In this context, the Director mentioned

the challenges and difficulties that are currently facing in the fulfillment of their legal mandate. Whereas, participants were interested in asking questions about the work of the Correctional Center in Lipjan and cooperation with the judicial institutions.

Furthermore, the newly appointed prosecutors, together with the center staff, visited the premises of the institution, seeing in this form closely all the premises available by the Correctional Center in Lipjan, the conditions and activities the center provides for the persons staying at the center.

Beneficiaries of this training were newly appointed prosecutors, ITP generation VI.



Practical training at Kosovo Police

On 28 June 2017, during the visits to non-judicial institutions, the Academy of Justice, in cooperation with the Kosovo Police, conducted training with the newly appointed prosecutors at the respective institution.

This training aimed to advance the knowledge of the newly appointed prosecutors on the mandate, the role and practical work of the Kosovo Police.

Initially, was introduced the Kosovo Police Education System, training opportunities and training programs provided to police officers at various levels. During the visit were also elaborated the legal basis and the structure of the Kosovo Police, the role, competencies and investigative actions of the departments, such as: the Directorate for Investigation of Organized

Crime, Directorate for Trafficking in Human Beings, Directorate for support to Investigations, and Directorate for the investigation of trafficking of narcotics. Also, within the elaboration of the functions of the Kosovo Police, was also elaborated the component of Intelligence, and international legal cooperation.

Due to the fact that the work of prosecutors is closely related to the work of the Police, the newly appointed prosecutors had the opportunity to raise issues of interest for their practical work, current co-operation and adequate forms of future cooperation between the Police and the relevant Prosecution Offices.

Beneficiaries of this training were newly appointed prosecutors, ITP generation VI.



Activities of the Research and Publication Program (RPP)

Publications Launching Ceremony

On 0 June 2017, Academy of Justice with the support of the GIZ Judicial and Administrative Reform Project conducted the promotion ceremony of three legal publications: *Opinio Juris* magazine, *Types of Motions in Legal Proceedings* and *Compilation of International Treaties* and.



The present ones at the ceremony were addressed by the Program Manager/ GIZ Mr. Karl Weber, Mr. Besim Morina Acting Director of the Academy of Justice, and Mr. Fejzullah Hasani Member of the Publications Editorial Board of the Academy of Justice. On behalf of the publication authors the participants were addressed by Mr. Valon Totaj Judge at the Basic court of Prizren, Mr. Besim Kelmendi, Prosecutor at the State Prosecutor, as well as Mrs. Remzije Istrefi, Professor at the Law Faculty of the University of Prishtina.

The GIZ Program Manager, Mr. Karl Weber, in his speech said “These publications are a result of a several year’s cooperation with the Academy of Justice expressing particular gratitude to authors of these publications”. He continued emphasizing that the GIZ Judicial and

Administrative Reform Project will keep providing support for the Academy of Justice’s capacity development.

Acting Director of the academy of Justice Mr. Besim Morina among others emphasized that “the Academy of Justice’s legal mandate is to deliver trainings as well as research and publications activities. based on this and with the durable support of GIZ we preliminarily conducted a needs assessment process for judges and prosecutors in the area of publications, based on which input we produced these publications, which confidently will be supporting the professional work of judges, prosecutors and other legal professionals”.

While Mr. Fejzullah Hasani in his speech congratulated the Academy of Justice and the GIZ for publications, considering the lack of legal publications in Albanian language and the need that competent institutions shall pay to allocation of budget for the publications area.





On behalf of the authors of the paperwork published in *Opinio Juris* magazine, Mr. Valon Totaj thanked the Academy for the opportunity to present the findings of their research during the practical work in courts and prosecutorial offices, particularly on some topics that were not sufficiently elaborated in legal literature, and for having the possibility to open discussions on these matters.

Compilation of Motions in Criminal Proceedings was introduced by Mr. Besim Kelmendi who was one of the authors of this publication. He among others stated that “These forms will be available to all judges and prosecutors and purpose of drafting these motion samples was to facilitate the work in judiciary, having in mind that these forms will be available also in electronic format, which will contribute to work efficiency and unification of practices”.

On behalf of the authors of the Compilation of International Treaties and Legal Instruments publication, Mrs. Remzije Istrefi stated the following “Human Rights are a constitutional category of the Republic of Kosovo, and it was considered necessary to compile all treaties and international legal instruments in Albanian language, so the legal community, particularly judges and prosecutors have access to and are able to make comparisons with the international legal framework”.

This ceremony was attended by members of the Editorial Board of the Academy of Justice, authors of paperwork and compilations, judges, prosecutors and the staff of GIZ project and of the Academy of Justice.

Activities for Administrative Staff of Courts and Prosecution Offices

Induction Course Module-1

On 05-09 June 2017, Justice Academy organized a five-day training for newly appointed members of the Administration of Courts and Prosecution "Induction Course - Module 1".



The induction training focused on the most important areas aimed at building the professional capacities of the participants, with particular emphasis on their daily practical performance to promote quality of services provided in line with policies, applicable standards and legal requirements.

Within this training module were addressed stages of historical development of judicial and

prosecutorial reform after 1999, legislative changes regarding functioning of the judicial and prosecutorial system, constitutional provisions and legislation in force regarding judicial and prosecutorial system in the Republic of Kosovo. There were also treated judicial documents, principles and rules of the Ethic Code and Professional Conduct for administrative staff of courts and prosecution offices, quality-oriented services for citizens, as well as planning, time management and stress during the exercise of their duties.

The methodology applied during the training was combined with theoretical explanations and interactive approaches appropriate to encourage participants in developing debates and present their encountered in practice

Beneficiaries of this training were newly appointed members of the court administration and prosecution offices of various positions such as: professional associate, legal officer, budget and finance officer, clerks and other officials.



Other Activities

Academy of Justice Managing Board Meeting

On 1st of June 2017 in Prishtina – was held the third meeting of the Managing Board of the Academy of Justice, chaired by the Managing Board Chairperson, Chief State Prosecutor Mr. Aleksandër Lumezi

During this meeting, the Managing Board initially decided to initiate the procedure for appointing the Executive Director of the Academy of Justice, in accordance with the Regulation on Appointment and Dismissal of the Executive Director of the Academy of Justice.

Due to implementation of this process, Managing Board established the Commission for Selection Procedure of the Executive Director of the Academy of Justice.

The Managing Board also reviewed and approved several recommendations, regulations drafted and proposed by the Academy of Justice Commission for normative matters. The approved Regulations are: the Regulation on the

Work of the Managing Board of the Academy of Justice and the Regulation on Initial Training Program, which were estimated as the regulations of great importance for the work and functioning of the Academy of Justice.

Furthermore, Managing Board reviewed and approved the draft budget of the Academy of Justice for 2018, and the plan for 2019 and 2020. The draft budget was evaluated as necessary for the implementation of the legal mandate and functioning of the Academy of Justice, respectively for the implementation of the transformation process from Kosovo Judicial Institute into the Academy of Justice.

During the review of the draft budget, discussions were focused on the need to support the request of the Academy of Justice for construction of the building with the purpose of implementing legal functions in more efficient manner.



Visit of the Delegation of the Albanian Highest Council of Justice at the Academy of Justice

On 02 June 2017, the Academy of Justice hosted a delegation of the Albanian Highest Council of Justice.

The purpose of the visit was to get acquainted closely with the work and activities of the Academy of Justice, exchange of ideas and experiences on best practices for the purpose of organizing judicial trainings, and enhancing the level of cooperation between the Academy of Justice and The High Council of Justice and

other institutions of the Albanian judicial system.

In this context, was also discussed the organization of the justice system and judicial system in general, the role, function and structure of the Academy of Justice, achievements and challenges, legal framework, mandate and other issues of mutual interest in the field of judicial trainings.



Workshop on Drafting Normative Acts of the Academy of Justice

From 14 until 17 of June 2017, the Academy of Justice conducted a workshop on drafting by-laws deriving as an obligations after entering into force of the Law on the Academy of Justice.

During this workshop, the Committee for Normative Acts established by Managing Board of the Academy of Justice.

During this workshop, the Committee on Normative Acts established by the Academy's Managing Board together with the working group of Academy staff defined working methodology and drafted normative acts determined by the Law on the Academy of Justice as follows: Regulation on the Work of the Program Council of the Academy of Justice, Regulation on Trainers and Mentors, as well as the Regu-

lation on Fees of Training for State Advocates and other Free Professions.

During this workshop, Commission also discussed the structure of the Regulation on Organization and Internal System of the Academy, providing the basic elements upon which this act will be drafted. This regulation will be the focus of the next workshop in order to meet the mandatory acts stipulated by the Law on the Academy of Justice.

During the analysis and the numerous discussions at the workshop, when drafting these acts, the Commission was guided by the principles and advanced standards for drafting legal norms in order to be clear, functional and practical.



Workshop “Cybercrime Cooperation with the Focus on Internet Proceeds of Crime”



From 19 to 25 June 2017, in Budva, Montenegro, judges and prosecutors from Kosovo participated in a training of trainer’s workshop for the Western Balkan countries on: " Cybercrime Cooperation with the Focus on Internet Proceeds of Crime” through website "organized by the Council of Europe Cybercrime Program Office, the unit located in Bucharest.

The purpose of this workshop was to build professional capacities for implementation of investigations and procedures to be followed in combating cybercrime.

The workshop focused on the providing knowledge on cybercrime and electronic evidence, financial investigation and the procedure to be followed, as well as police, prosecution and court actions, legal and technological procedures to be undertaken in these cases, and undertaking actions in urgent cases regarding domestic and international co-operation and the efficiency.

During the first days of the workshop, participants had the opportunity to gain more detailed knowledge regarding the development of cybercrime investigations, investigative actions of the prosecutor in identifying and detecting online crime suspects, information and communication technology used, enforcement of covert measures and procedures for sequestration of assets and property gained through commission of these offences and criminal offences committed through internet such as: child pornography and money laundering, as well as learning of practices, methods and most advanced skills of trainer’s qualities.

Part of the workshop has been dedicated to discussions on the provisions of the material law of each country that apply to criminal offenses of cybercrime and their harmonization with international acts, namely the Budapest Convention, Council of Europe Framework Decision and the EU Directives

The rest of the training contained topics and discussions on contact points established in each country due to the facilitation of local and international cooperation, with particular emphasis on urgent cases.

According to the guidelines, each participating country made a presentation as a cybercrime trainer before experts and participants, where trainer's skills were assessed by the European Commission experts.

Participants from Kosovo provided proposals on specific needs for combating crimes in this field, including activities to be undertaken in the future in order to fill the legal gaps faced by them in practice. Furthermore, were mentioned the institutions that need local and international co-operation, cybercrime analysis and specialized training to be organized in capacity building in combating cybercrime, information and communication technology, for implementation of the legal framework applicable to this type of crime, as well as legislative reforms in line with relevant legislation and harmonization with EU legislation.

This workshop was fruitful especially for the participants of the Western Balkan countries that are part of this project, namely representatives from Kosovo, Bosnia, Macedonia, Albania, Serbia, Montenegro, and Turkey, since they have received information on the most advanced techniques of a trainer from specialized experts in this field.

Also during the workshop were exchanged experiences, problems and challenges with participants of all countries, encountered in this area, as well were addressed issues with the purpose of enhancing future cooperation.

In the composition of the delegation from Kosovo were: Laura Pula, Chief State Prosecutor Office, Ikramije Bojaxhiu, Prosecutor - Basic Prosecution, Serious Crimes Department in Prishtina, Skënder Çoçaj, Judge of Basic Court in Prizren, and Vesel Ismajli, Judge of Basic Court in Pristina, who through this training were trained to implement trainings organized by the Academy of Justice in the field of cybercrime.



Judicial cooperation in civil and commercial cases in the EU

From 26 to 30 June 2017, with the support of GIZ, was organized a regional training on



"EU Law", respectively on the topic: "Judicial cooperation in civil and commercial cases in the EU", held in Ohrid Macedonia.

During this training were discussed issues related to the application of EU law in the procedures and Court decisions of the Southeastern European countries, as well as issues related to legal cooperation in the civil and commercial field in these countries.

Participants of this training have presented

their work on this topic in order to contribute to the establishment of the best practices in judicial cooperation in civil and commercial matters in the EU.

Participants and beneficiaries of this training were judges from the countries of South Eastern Europe, namely judges from Albania, Montenegro, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Serbia, Macedonia and Kosovo. In the composition of the



Kosovo delegation were Judge Valon Totaj and Arsim Hamzaj, from the Basic Court in Prizren.



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