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## Activities from Continuous Training Program (CTP)

### Sexual abuse and exploitation of children

From February 27th – March 2nd 2018, Academy of Justice in cooperation with the US Embassy in Pristina conducted the training on “Sexual abuse and exploitation of children”.



Purpose of this training was to enhance the juvenile judges and prosecutors skills on correct investigation, collection of evidence, as well as trial of perpetrators of these crimes in which children are victims of sexual abuse.

This training covered the investigation of physical and sexual abuse of children, collection of evidence, the need for designing and using a protocol for interviewing children in capacity of victims of witnesses. Beforehand particular at-

tention was paid to victim children for trial, technical and tactical methods of interviewing the victim and the suspect.

At the same time it was elaborated on the technology, solving cases and investigation of pornography of children, including elaboration of the national legislation - both the material and procedural parts that regulate this area of sensitive nature.

The training was conducted in form of interactive discussions where participants could present their challenges and difficulties that they face in practice.

Beneficiaries of this training were prosecutors from the Appeals Prosecution, judges and prosecutors of basic instance – juveniles department and officials of the Social Welfare Center, victim advocates and officials from the Kosovo Police.



## Law on business organizations

On March 1st 2018, Academy of Justice within its Continuous Training Program organized the training on Law on Business Organizations.



Purpose of this training was to enhance the judge's knowledge on business organizations, structure, role and their importance in the Republic of Kosovo.

First part of the training elaborated on ways of organization, capital structure, the rights and obligations of owners, officials of business organizations, their representatives and of third parties. While in the second part it was continued with legal procedures and their application for protection of the rights deriving from business associations.

It was further elaborated on professional expertise of judges in this area, how to conduct judicial practice compliant with international and European standards; presented experiences and best practices in regional countries and forms of efficient application of international instruments that regulate this field. Focus of this training was also analysis of main concepts and principles of business organizations (BO), problems and previous and actual practices of exercising business in Kosovo, development of business organizations in Europe, judicial resolution of the shareholders disputes and of principal structures of corporates, as well as the tax basis for business organizations in Kosovo.

This training elaborated particularly about the Law on Business Organizations, which foresees instructions for an organization that wants to exercise business in Kosovo, it promotes a legal framework for foreign investors who aim to enter the Kosovo's market, as well as for local businesses who aspire growth of their businesses, it is based on the Austrian- German model and provides several basic forms of business organizations with which foreign investor should familiarize with, but over time this law will need to amend and complement in order to adjust to the level of enhancement of the business and legal community in Kosovo.

In this training, participants discussed about types of business organizations that can develop business activities, terms for registering the business, legal structure of business organizations, as well as the rights and obligations of owners/shareholders, managers, directors, legal representatives and of the third parties, legal provisions pertaining to establishment, functioning and regular dissolving of BO's, encouraging entrepreneurship through limitation of the investor's obligations and attracting foreign capital.

This training used theoretical presentations partially, followed by concrete cases, discussions and prepared tasks for application of business structure concepts in practical situations on principles and main rules that relate to business organizations.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of the Commercial Departments within Basic Court of Prishtina and in the Appeals Court, as well as judges and legal associates of Civil Division of both the Basic instances and of the Appeals Court.

## Judicial procedure based on the competencies of the Special Chamber of Supreme Court of Kosovo and Kosovo Privatization Agency

On 06 March 2018, the Academy of Justice within the Continuous Training Program conducted training on: “Judicial procedure based on the competencies of the Special Chamber of Supreme Court and Kosovo Privatization Agency”.

The purpose of this training was to deepen the knowledge of judges regarding judicial proceedings developed at the Special Chamber of the Supreme Court of Kosovo and proper implementation of legal provisions relating to competencies of this Chamber, as well as the role of the Kosovo Privatization Agency.

The training was dominated by the following topics: functional competence with the focus on Special Chamber, applicants and opponent parties in the Special Chamber and the scope of the administrative competencies of KPA. Also during this training was treated the transformation of enterprises in one or more corporations and the selling of shares. The mandate of KPA including every action that the agency considers proper and reasonable, within the boundaries of the administrative sources of the agency, in order to enable better selling, liquidation, transfer or any other solution of the enterprise, the asset

or the interest under state ownership.

Also, it was mentioned that the Article 4 of the applicable law on SCHSC, is the one that determines the exclusive jurisdiction of the Special Chamber. According to this provision, the SCH has the competence to decide on all cases and procedures related to objection against a decision or action of KPA, or requirements of the parties alleging to any right, title or interest administered by KPA. The competence issue gained a special attention during the discussions, since lately there were several cases when the basic court turned the cases to the Special Chamber even that this Chamber has provided its decision about the lack of jurisdiction.

These and other dilemmas were raised by the participants and were dealt through interactive debates, questions raised by the participants and explanations and responds provided by trainers providing as such legal based conclusions.

Beneficiaries of this training were Judges of the Special Chamber of Supreme Court, Judges of Basic Courts – Civil Division and KPA officials.



## Parties in the proceeding, joint litigants and intermediates in the procedure

On 13 March 2018, the Academy of Justice within the Continuous Training Program conducted training on: “Parties in the procedure, litigants and intermediaries”.

The purpose of this training was to deepen the knowledge of civil judges about the parties, litigants and intermediaries.

In the first part of this training were treated issues related to the capacity of the parties in the procedure, litigants and their types. Whereas the training focused more on the notion of the litigant, types, intermediaries, effects of the litigants decisions in the contested procedure, procedural position, their actions and consequences caused by these actions.

In the second part were treated, the effects of the procedural actions of the co-litigants and the participation of the third persons in the civil dispute. In this context, the role of the intermediaries was resolved; the ways of intervention and the types of interferers and the effect of the judgment on co-litigants and the interferers, as well as the conditions that the LCP provides for allowing interference.

It was reiterated that the issue of co-litigants and third parties in the proceedings in the case law represents a rather complex procedural phenomenon which creates dilemmas for judges who develop contested procedures that were raised in this training but were avoided through trainers' explanations and interactive conversation with the participants.

This training provides answers to the questions related to co-litigation, its types, the effects it creates in the contested procedure, the manner of deciding on each form of joint litigation and the participation of third persons in the contested procedure. Also were addressed the types of interferers, the conditions that the LCP envisages for allowing interference and the difference between the intermediaries.

Methods of theoretical and practical explanation were followed with examples of judicial practice, and the raised dilemmas were dealt with in depth through trainers' explanations.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of basic instance, civil divisions of general department, and professional associates.



## EU Law in functioning of SAA

On 15 March 2018, the Academy of Justice, with the support of UNDP, conducted training on "EU Law in Function of implementation of the SAA".

This training was intended to advance the knowledge of judges and prosecutors on the effect of European Union law at the national level and to analyze the aspects of the implementation of this right before EU membership, particularly after the entry into force of the SAA.

Initially, was treated the judicial implementation of the Stabilization and Association Agreement (SAA) in the Republic of Kosovo and its impact on domestic legislation during the implementation of the SAA. In addition, the judicial protection of the right to discrimination was dealt with special emphasis to the ECHR and EU law.

During the training dominated topics related to the effect of European law after the entry into force of the Stabilization and Association

Agreement, the difficulties and dilemmas associated with the interpretation of its effect on the national level. It was emphasized that the Stabilization and Association Agreement has direct effect after the ratification of Law no. 05 / L-069 on SAA ratification between Kosovo and the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community. The SAA explicitly stipulates the obligation for the approximation of Kosovo's legislation with the *acquis communautaire*.

The focus was also on clarifying the effect of EU law after the entry into force of the Stabilization and Association Agreement and the application of the principles of this law (ie, the superiority, direct and indirect effect) associated with SAA and its impact on the Kosovo judiciary.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of basic instances from different regions of Kosovo.



## Specialized training program for capacity growth in combating corruption – Session I

In March 15-16 2018, Academy of Justice within its Continuous Training Program, organized the first specialized training program for capacity development in combating corruption.

Purpose of this training was enhancement of professional knowledge of judges, prosecutors and other beneficiaries to understand the nature and forms of corruption, as well as criminal offences related to corruption.

This training session treated corruptions crimes, meaning of the corruptions according to applicable legislation, consequences of cor-

ruption and forms of cooperation and institutional coordination of institutions mandated to combat corruption.

Also, the training elaborated on national and international tools in combating corruption, dilemmas and difficulties of proving crimes of corruptive nature, as well as preventing exposure to official corruption.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of the Apples Court, judges and prosecutors of the basic instance of different regions of Kosovo, as well as professional associates.



## Effective protection in criminal proceedings and guaranteeing equality of parties – assignment of defense counsel at public expenses

On 20 March 2018, the Academy of Justice, in cooperation with GIZ conducted training on: “Effective protection in criminal proceedings and guaranteeing quality of parties – assignment of defence at public expenses”.



The purpose of the training was to advance the professional skills of judges and prosecutors in proper implementation of legal provisions when it comes to effective protection in criminal proceedings and guaranteeing equality of parties – assigning the defense counsel at public expense.

Within this training were treated topics related to legal provision of CPCK, best practices in fulfilling legal requirements which provide effective protection to defendants in criminal procedure.

Attention was paid to the procedural consequences in cases of not notifying the defendants with the possibility for assigning a defense lawyer even when the defense is not mandatory, as well as cases where due to financial inadequacy, the CPCK foresees the assignment and engagement of the defense counsel at public expense, situations where protection is not mandatory at the request of the defendant under the foreseen legal conditions, in particular when the interests of justice so require, regardless of the foreseen punishment.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of basic instance from different regions of Kosovo.





## International criminal law instruments for prosecution of war crimes cases within Kosovo jurisdiction – a practical approach

On 21-22 March 2018, the Academy of Justice in cooperation with EULEX conducted training on: “International criminal law instruments for prosecution of war crime cases within Kosovo jurisdiction – a practical approach”.

The purpose of this training was to advance the professional knowledge of the participants to understand the available international and domestic legal instruments dealing with the investigation and prosecution of various war crimes offenses.

This training focused on the practical search tools that are applicable in the jurisprudence of international criminal law relating to the judicial practice of the International Tribunal judg-

ments.

Special attention was paid to the notion of joint criminal actions, co-perpetration, assistance, orders, including command responsibility in international criminal law. In addition, was also discussed the legal basis for applying the theories and practice of international criminal law within the jurisdiction of Kosovo when dealing with war crimes that took place in Kosovo.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges from the Court of Appeal, prosecutors from the Special Prosecution Office, judges and prosecutors of the basic level.



## Practical implementation of the Law on Personal Data Protection

On March 22nd 2018, Academy of Justice within its Continuous Training Program, conducted training on the topic of Practical implementation of the Law on personal data Protection.

Purpose of this training was to enhance the participant's knowledge on details, responsibilities, principles and measures to protect the personal data, as well as on correct implementation of the provisions of the Law on personal Data Protection.

First part of the training elaborated on legal basis of lawful processing of personal data and their institutional protection. While the second part continued with treatment of the rights and responsibilities of data controllers.

In the context of the aforementioned topic the legal mandate and responsibilities of the National Agency for Personal data Protection, personal data processing, processing principles and measures and procedures in cases of breaching these data. Also the experiences and best practices of regional countries were presented, as well as forms of efficient application

of international instruments that regulate this area.

Focus of this training were issues that elaborate and make lawful processing of personal data and protect these data.

This training emphasized protection of personal data in the Republic of Kosovo, which is a fundamental right guaranteed by Constitution, that in Article 36 specifies that privacy and family life, inviolability of residence, confidentiality of correspondence, telephone and other means of communication, and protection of personal data are guaranteed for each individual. Also, this Constitution guarantees implementation of international and European Convention, in relation to data protection, like: Universal Declaration on Human Rights, European Convention for Protection of Human Rights and Liberties and additional protocols.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges of Administrative Department of Basic Court of Prishtina, of the appeals Court as well as officials of the State Agency for Personal Data Protection.



## Access to public documents and protection of media privacy – freedom of expression and media

On March 27-28, 2018, the Academy of Justice, in co-operation with the project "Strengthening judicial expertise on freedom of expression and media in South East Europe - JUFREX", organized a training on: "Access to public documents and protection of privacy in the media - freedom of expression and media".

The purpose of this training was to advance the participants' knowledge on the national and international standards in regulating access to public documents and protecting privacy in the media.

On the first day of the training, were elaborated the legal framework in the Republic of Kosovo on the right of privacy during media reporting, the institutional framework regulating privacy during media reporting, the role of the State Agency for Personal Data Protection and the Ombudsperson Institution. There were also elaborated the ECHR standards in protection of privacy, freedom of expression, the role of media and responsible journalism, reputation as part of the right to privacy, the balance of freedom of expression and privacy, media and the right of privacy. In addition, media coverage of court hearings in Kosovo courts and best practices were dealt with as well. The focus was on

the KJC's Regulation on trial recordings, the EULEX decision on trial recordings followed by Kosovo case law examples.

Whereas, on the second day, was elaborated the national legal framework on access to public documents, the local institutions addressing requests for access to public documents, in the context of the role of the State Agency for Personal Data Protection and the Ombudsperson Institution. In general were also elaborated the ECtHR standards on access to public documents, judicial precedents regarding the right of access to information and an analysis of four judgments of the Pristina Basic Court.

The participants assisted by trainers, discussed and addressed a case, providing also a solution related to the requirements of the case dedicated to the right to access information. Whereas at the end were given explanations from the case law point of view of the European Court of Human Rights related to the subject matter.

The beneficiaries of this training were basic judges, prosecutors and professional associates.



## Alternative and additional punishments

On 29 March 2018, the Academy of Justice in cooperation with GIZ organized training on: “Alternative and additional punishments”.

The purpose of this training was to advance the knowledge of judges and prosecutors on the legal infrastructure in cases of imposing alternative and additional punishments, and the procedure for its imposition.

During this training were treated: the conditional punishment, half freedom, the order for social service work, waiving the right to choose, the order of compensation of loss or damage, prohibition of exercising any function in public administration or public service, and prohibi-

tion to exercise profession, action or duty.

Special attention was paid also to drafting of judgments for imposing alternative and additional punishments and the role of Social Service in re-socialization and re-integration of sentenced persons by alternative punishments.

Also during the training were treated judicial practical cases and were exchanged experiences aiming to eliminate dilemmas encountered in practice, in cases when imposing the respective punishments.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges, prosecutors of basic instance and officials of Social Service



## Media communications training for prosecutors and officials of the prosecution

On March 29-30 2018, Academy of Justice in cooperation with EULEX organized a training on Media Communications for Prosecutors and Officials of the Prosecution.



Purpose of this training was to enhance professional skills of the participants in their approach when delivering messages to the public and adjusting to concrete situations.

This training elaborated on the role of communications in cases of crisis management.

Particular attention was paid to explanation on how the internal and external communication function, putting emphasis on strengthening of the internal communication, and of the external communication – especially with the media, in order to provide the media with the necessary means to overcome their daily work challenges when communicating with the public, and to transmit information in prompt and efficient manner.

Also, in this training, it was particularly discussed about the Swedish practices and role of the prosecutor in Sweden, as well as role of the Swedish authority – i.e. the communications department, for overcoming challenges when communicating with the media.

Beneficiaries of this training were prosecutors of Basic prosecution instance, media representatives, administrators and spokespersons of basic prosecutions, officials from the State Prosecutor and officials of EULEX.



## Activities from Initial Training Program (ITP)

### Activities conducted for newly appointed judges in ITP

Academy of Justice during March of 2018, conducted activities within its ITP for newly appointed judges, as planned in the training program.



The theoretical training component in this period was realized with the following activities from the modules below: “Civil Law” delivering one (1) training session, “The Contested procedure – first part” – delivering five (5) training sessions, the “Contested procedure – second part” with six (6) training sessions and, “the Enforcement procedure” with two (2) training sessions conducted.

The sub-module on “Contested Procedure – first part” elaborated on: the timelines and return to previous situation, conclusion of the procedure by court order, types of judgments according to the Law on Contested Procedure, regular and extraordinary legal remedies for appeal.

Whereas the sub-module on “Contested procedure – second part” reviewed the filing of the lawsuit in the first instance, preliminary review of the lawsuit and responding to the lawsuit, preparing the main hearing and the main hearing session, proving remedies and obtaining evidence, as well as ensuring the claim.

The enforcement area elaborated on the enforcement proposal and decisions of the enforcing entity pertaining to permissibility, suspension and closure of the procedure, and executive titles, as well as enforcement through bank accounts. While the sub-module on the “Civil Law” in this period delivered one training session to cover the unpermitted actions (offences), unfounded enrichment and protection of the rights.

Part of the activities conducted in this period were also the visits to non-judicial institutions. In the respective period, two (2) such visits were realized, visiting the High Safety Prison and the Agency for Personal Data Protection. While in the practical training, the newly appointed judges continued their practical training in courts, as per the schedule determined by this program.



## Meeting with the initial training mentors

On 05 March 2018, the Academy of Justice within the frame of final preparations for commencement of the Initial Training, conducted a meeting with the mentors engages in the initial training for newly appointed prosecutors – seventh generation.

The meeting was of an information character to inform the mentors with their role and responsibility during the mentoring process of newly appointed prosecutors and the training program to be implemented during 12 month period.

During this meeting, initially was presented the structure of the Initial Training Program, with

the special emphasis on its practical part, rules and standards determined by the Handbook for mentors, as well as the way of organization and implementation of this process. Also was discussed the evaluation of newly appointed prosecutors by their mentors, and other organizational issues related to the implementation of the practical training in ITP.

The mentors were equipped with ITP documents such as: Regulation of the Initial Training Program, Initial Training Program and the Handbook for Mentors.



## Commencement of the Initial Training Program for newly appointed prosecutors – seventh generation

On March 5 2018, Academy of Justice after decree of the state prosecutors, and upon the request of the KPC, commenced implementation of the Initial Training Program, conducting this way the first meeting with the newly appointed prosecutors.

In his opening remarks, Director of the Academy of Justice Mr. Valon Kurtaj, initially congratulated prosecutors for their appointment and informed them with the role and importance of the initial training for their further professional development. The newly appointed prosecutors were also briefly informed with the ITP structure, as well as with the ways of its organization and delivery, of both the theoretical and practical parts.

Whereas, Chairman of the Kosovo prosecutorial council Mr. Blerim Isufaj, expressed the KPC support for the newly appointed prosecutors, encouraging them for maximal engagement and dedication during the initial training, emphasizing its importance and their adequate preparation for practicing the profession of prosecutor. Mr. Isufaj also provided support for the Academy of Justice for successful accomplishment of the initial training for newly appointed prosecutors.

The newly appointed prosecutors were provided with documents as foreseen by ITP program, like the following: Regulation of the Initial Training Program, Initial Training Program, as well as the training calendar for March 2018.





## Activities conducted for newly appointed prosecutors in the ITP

During March of 2018, the Initial Training Program for newly appointed prosecutors has conducted activities in form of theoretical training as well as the practical trainings.

In this period, the theoretical training conducted total of six (6) training sessions from the sub-modules of the Criminal Code of the Republic of Kosovo – the general part and the special part. Initially, in the general part of the Criminal Code of Kosovo, it was elaborated on elements of the crime, object and subject of the criminal offence, their division, venue and time of commission of the crime and unlawfulness. Whereas the special part of the Criminal Code of Kosovo covered the following: crimes of murder and aggravated murder, crimes against life and body and against human rights, and

crimes of unauthorized possession of narcotics, psychotropic or analogue substances.

Through tasks and practical exercises, the newly appointed prosecutors were engaged in preparing and presenting cases on different hypothetical situations.

Within the practical training in prosecution offices, the newly appointed prosecutors continued their in-job training in respective prosecution offices, as per the schedule set in the program and under supervision of their assigned mentors.



## Practical training of newly appointed judges at High Security Prison

On 21 March 2018, the Academy of Justice within the Initial Training Program of newly appointed judges, conducted a practical training at the High Security Prison.

The purpose of this training was to inform the newly appointed judges with the role, work and responsibilities foreseen for the High Security Prison.

During this visit, the Prison Director presented a short history of the establishment, the structure of its organization and functioning, highlighting various activities available to prisoners, ranging from sports fields, recreation halls, and fitness room as well as reading rooms - the library. While discussing about the convicts, the Director noted that in the High Security Prison

are serving the sentence mostly defendants for serious criminal offenses such as murder, organized crime, war crimes, terrorism etc, ie serious criminal offenses punishable more than 15 years of imprisonment.

Newly appointed judges were divided in two groups and together with the staff of the center visited the environment of the institutions, the conditions and activities provided by this institution.

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



## Practical training of newly appointed judges at the State Agency for Personal Data Protection

On 27 March 2018, the Academy of Justice within the Initial Training Program for newly appointed judges conducted a practical training at the State Agency for Personal Data Protection.



This training aimed to inform newly appointed judges with the duties and function of the SAPDP, and its legal responsibilities in relation to personal data protection

In the framework of this training, Firstly, the Director General of the NAPDP, presented a short history of the establishment, the structure of its organization and functioning, stressing that the daily work of the Agency is directly related to the issue of personal data protection and access to public documents.

Within this training were discussed issues relat-

ed to the protection of personal data, the recording of unauthorized persons, protection of data in sensitive judicial proceedings, confidentiality in cases where state security is threatened. In this occasion was also emphasized the lawful processing of personal data where these data can only be processed only if the data subject has given his or her consent, then the processing of sensitive personal data, protection of sensitive personal data, processing for purposes of historical, statistical, scientific research and personal data protection of deceased persons, as foreseen by the legislation on personal data protection.

The training was conducted through theoretical explanations and interactive discussions, whereby the newly appointed judges had the opportunity to ask different questions about the issues that were the focus of the training.

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



## Training of Mentors in the Initial Training Program

On March 27 2018, Academy of Justice, in cooperation with the EU funded Twinning Project “Further Support to Legal Education Reform”, and with the USAID Judicial Support Strengthening Project (JSSP) conducted a training for the judges of civil area who were selected as mentors for the newly appointed judges.

Purpose of this training was to increase the judge’s knowledge on the mentoring program, methods and techniques of mentoring, their role and duties as mentors, as well as adequate forms of their approach in relation to the newly appointed judges.

This training initially presented the structure of the Initial Training Program, with emphasis on its practical part, rules and standards set in the Mentors Handbook, ways of organization and implementation of this process, and the mentors

role and duties in relation with newly appointed judges in the Academy of Justice.

Focus of this training was to thoroughly elaborate on the mentoring component as a process, duties and responsibilities in assisting newly appointed judges, and ways and best practices in transferring knowledge and practical experience to the judges under their mentorship. This training also deliberated on main principles for case flow management, and introduced best practices of case management in order for them to be transferred to the newly appointed judges.

Mentors were equipped with all the necessary information and documents that are part of the Initial Training Program, like: Regulation of the Initial Training Program, the Initial Training Program, the Mentors Handbook, etc



## Activities for Administrative Staff of Courts and Prosecution Offices

### Communication in crisis cases

On March 14, 2018, the Academy of Justice in cooperation with the Twinning Project "Strengthening the Policy-Making and Drafting of Legislation - Justice and Public Relations" funded by the EU, conducted the training on "Communication in crisis cases".

The purpose of the training was to raise and enhance the personal communication skills of the participants, as well as to expand the professional capacities of communicating their messages to the public, adapting to concrete situations.

During this training, was addressed the role of communication in the Ministry of Justice as well as other institutions such as KJC, KPC, courts and prosecution offices. Attention was paid to clarifying how government and judiciary poli-

cies affect citizens when submitting information. During the training it was emphasized that external and internal communication for media communication should be strengthened in order to provide them with the tools that help them face the challenges of daily work in public communication and to convey information quickly and efficiently.

Beneficiaries of this training were the Spokesperson of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, the Court of Appeals and spokespersons of Basic Courts, the Ministry of Justice, an official from the Institute of Forensics and the Kosovo Correctional Service.



## Other Activities

### Curriculum development, adult learning

On March 7 2018, academy of Justice in cooperation with the State Department – Office of Overseas Prosecutorial Development, Assistance and Training (OPDAT), Department of Justice – international Office for Narcotics and law Enforcement, conducted training of trainers



on “Curriculum development – adult learning”.

Purpose of this training was enhancement of trainers knowledge on effective presentation

during materials and use of modern training methodologies.

Training focused on setting the structure and preparing materials, preliminary process of drafting, setting participants, training objectives, best ways of preparing and using power points, presentation skills and use of power point, presentation skills and approach.

The training was delivered using combined methods of presentation of theory with hypothetical cases, interactive discussions, questions raised by trainers and participants of the training.

This training was delivered by experts of the judicial training area.

Beneficiaries of this training were judges and prosecutors of different instances, trainers at the Academy of Justice.



## Presentation of the Strategic Plan for 2018-2023 for the Academy of Justice

On 21 March 2018, the Academy of Justice in cooperation with the Twinning Project: “Further support to Legal Education in Kosovo”, which is being implemented in the Academy of Justice, organized “Future Training and Education” – Presentation of Strategic Plan for 2018 – 2023 for the Academy of Justice in Kosovo.



This presentation was attended by the representatives of European Union Office, key stakeholders of the justice system in Kosovo: Chairperson of the Kosovo Judicial Council and Chairperson of the Kosovo Prosecutorial Council, Chief Prosecutors, Court Presidents, KJC and KPC

Secretariat Directors, members of the Managing Board and members of the Academy of Justice Program Committee, representatives of the Academy of Justice, and representatives and experts from the Twinning project "Further Support of Legal Education in Kosovo".

Initially Mr. Valon Kurtaj - Executive Director of the Academy of Justice and Mr. Klaus Erdmann-Project Resident Advisor presented the main goals and content of the Strategic Plan 2018-2023 of the Academy of Justice.

Afterwards, all present members exchanged their opinions about capacity building, training quality and judicial education.

Participants pledged for a continuation of inter-institutional co-operation between the stakeholders, in order for the Academy to implement this strategic plan, with the purpose of having more efficient judicial and prosecutorial system.



## Inauguration of the Training room with ne IT equipment's

On 30 March 2018, at the Academy of Justice was conducted the inauguration of the training room with new information technology equipment's donated by the Project on Legal and Administrative Reform GIZ.

In this ceremony were present representatives of the Academy of Justice and representatives from the Project "Legal and Administrative Reform of GIZ

Mr. Valon Kurtaj, the Executive Director of the Academy of Justice expressed his gratitude and appreciation for the reception of the respective equipment's, emphasizing that these

equipment's are very functional and facilitate the implementation of training activities. Whereas, Mr. Karl Weber, Director of the Project his appreciation that GIZ had the opportunity to cooperate with the Academy of Justice, and for providing its contribution with the IT equipment with the purpose of enabling the implementation of trainings in an interactive and practical manner.

Within this cooperation, GIZ financed the purchase of the following equipment's: smart-board, laptop, photocopy, chanter, printer and other equipment's.





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