

RECOMMENDED MEASURES TO IMPROVE FIGHTING CORRUPTION

*A new approach towards online transparency and good governance
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- 1 **Interoperability** of Tax Agency, Cadaster, Company Register, Central Bank of Albania and Assets Disclosure Register of politicians and high state officials to reduce tax evasion, money laundering and corruption in order to significantly improve Albania's ranking in: www.transparency.org/country/#ALB
- 2 **Online business and cadastral registries**, full online regularly/timely updated property Cadaster, including ownership, current legal status of the immovable properties, their location (by official map), their current market value (if applicable) and online construction permitting registry. Access to information is a backbone for anti-corruption measures and elimination of corruption resulting from the unmet demand for information services.
- 3 **Creation of an online database tracking projects supported by state subsidies, grants and pre-accession EU funds**. Excellent access to information is one of the ways to secure integrity of subvention schemes. Timely and good quality information on "who got benefitted from subvention schemes and why" is crucial for controlling of the processes both from the government's point of view as well as citizen vigilance.
- 4 **Online Business Gazette** combined with Business Registry. This has a great potential for identifying companies with little credibility and thus prevent/deter fraudulent activities in business to business as well as business to government activities.
- 5 **Creation of an online legal information portal with upcoming legislation open to public for commenting**. This will create not only ways to improve access to legal information, but will also give a higher predictability of legal situation, potential for greater inclusivity in the drafting period for businesses.
- 6 **Online court management**, debt execution, bankruptcy and other digital justice tools to endorse and actively engage with the EU e-Justice targets.
- 7 **Digital judiciary** complementary to the going Justice reform, fully backed by the international investor community of Albania and progress in: <http://data.worldjusticeproject.org/#/groups/ALB>
- 8 **Build a National Coalition for Anti Corruption in Albania** involving all stakeholders from donors, civil society and Government of Albania. A role model could be developed based on the Georgia success model: <http://www.transparency.ge/en/node/911>. Similar success stories in the global framework could be: <https://www.acauthorities.org/success-story> based on OECD countries with reference: <https://www.oecd.org/corruption/acn/>

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