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### **Second visit under the mechanism on election resilience - Meeting report of the Joint electoral resilience mechanism under the European cooperation network on elections**

**6-7 October 2022, Vilnius**

The meeting of the Joint electoral resilience mechanism under the European cooperation network on elections between Croatian and Lithuanian experts took place on 6 and 7 October 2022, in Vilnius.

During the meeting the experts from electoral management bodies exchanged experience on the topics on voting technologies, political finance, electoral communication, and training.

The representatives from CROATIA gave the following presentations:

Financing of political activities, election campaigns and referenda.

Youth participation in elections. Croatian experience and practice.

State Electoral Commission of the Republic of Croatia – IT support during elections

State Electoral Commission of the Republic of Croatia – Composition and Jurisdiction

LITHUANIAN representatives gave the following presentations on:

Voting technologies in Lithuania

Electoral Communication

Political Finance in Lithuania

Regulations on political advertising

This meeting and exchange of experience allowed to discuss voting technologies, compare political finance control systems. The Croatian delegation gave a very interesting presentation on youth education project that was conducted in high schools, where a polling station and electoral procedures were simulated, in which over 1000 pupils took part. We also learned about the government owned IT company that provide IT support for the State Election Commission of the Republic of Croatia before elections (registration of members of election commissions, candidates, observers, voters' registry, and e-learning functionality for polling station committees), on election day (vote counting and tabulation, publication on election results). The comparison of political finance control systems revealed the differences between the electoral systems and the best practices of

controlling political finances. The topics on electoral communication and political advertising were also widely discussed.

The meeting allowed the exchange of experience between experts and strengthened the cooperation in the field of election between the election authorities.