



Annex 5 - Externally funded projects' implementing activity – Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice – year 2022

I. Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice – Contracting Authority (as beneficiary):

1. Strengthening the capacity of the Public Ministry for applying the new provisions of the Criminal codes in the field of hearings – SIPOCA 53

The general objective of the project is to strengthen the capacity of the Romanian Public Ministry in the field of the hearings according to the new codes by creating a performant IT system which will be used in this matter. The project will streamline the criminal case management and the IT system implemented through the project will become a modern and efficient tool for audio-video recordings. This will lead to the shortening of this specific phase of the criminal investigation (hearing of the suspects/defendants, victims and witnesses).

Project budget: 54.785.517,47 lei.

Implementing period: 27th of July 2017 – 27th of June 2022. The project is finalized.

2. Strengthening the capacity of the Public Ministry for processing and analyzing data concerning the organized crime and enhancing the administrative capacity of the Public Ministry – SIPOCA 764

Objective: creating two IT systems: implementing a Business Intelligence solution (interpreting and analyzing of data and prognosis thereof) which will contribute to the decision process in the field of organized crime; developing and implementing a secured web portal for the internal use of the employees of the Public Ministry, namely a modern tool for communicating and fast sharing of data and information among the and between all the structures of the Public Ministry. This web portal will have capabilities for the management of the administrative workflows, for the support of cost management and streamlining.

Partners: General Inspectorate of the Romanian Police, Romanian Border Police, National Statistics Institute, Ministry of Justice.

Project budget: 33.633.040,50 lei (VAT included)

Estimated timeframe: 6th of August 2020 – 5th of August 2023 *with a proposal for extension until 29th December 2023 (through an Additional Act)*

3. Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2014 – 2021 – “Fighting Criminality and Corruption”

Objectives: enhancing the capacity of the Public Ministry in the field of fighting criminality (including corruption and organized crime), which will lead to the strengthening of the rule of law and of the capacity of the judicial system.

Project budget: 4.250.000 euro

Estimated timeframe: 27th November 2018 – 27th November 2023.

4. ISFP 2019-AG-THB „Further enhancing the fight against trafficking in human beings by focusing on prevention, cooperation and recovery of crime proceeds” – WESTEROS 2

General objective: to facilitate and enhance the exchange of good practices and specialized information at strategic, operational and policy level among partners following the most recent trends in the field of combating the trafficking in human beings.

The activities of the project were finalized on 31st December 2022.

Budget: 389.809,56 euro

Estimated timeframe: January 1st, 2021 –December 31st, 2022.

5. ISFP-2017-AG-DRUGS-822561 „Coordinated tackling of new trends in drug trafficking”– SNOW WHITE

The general objective of the project is strengthening the capacity of antidrug Law Enforcement Agencies (LEA) for EU Members States and improving their cooperation through a pro-active response to new trends in what concern the drug trafficking.

Specific objectives: the relaunch of an informal network between EU Member States in the area of controlled deliveries of drugs, with the aim of transforming it into an operational instrument and extending its tasks in the general area of drug trafficking;

developing and improving new methods and techniques of fighting synthetic drug trafficking, especially through using cryptocurrencies in the so-called „dark web”, with a possible transfer to other Member States; increasing cooperation and exchange of good practices between partners concerning the trafficking of cocaine and heroine within the European Union through harbours as main entry points.

Estimated budget: 419.352 euro

Estimated timeframe: December 1st, 2018 – December 1st, 2022

6. “Integrated development of tools for fighting against corruption – ANTICOR_INT” – project code ROFSIP2021OS5A04PO2

General objective: enhancing the efficiency of preventing and investigating corruption and conflicts of interests, as well as through professional training undertaken by representatives of General Anti-Corruption Directorate, of the Public Ministry and of the National Agency for Integrity.

Budget of the project: 920.000 euro (4.528.644,30 lei).

Estimated timeframe: June 29th, 2021 – June 28th, 2022.

II. POCA Partnerships

1. Consolidation and efficiency of the national system for the recovery of debts arising from crimes, SIPOCA code 56

Partnership: The National Agency for the Management of Seized Assets and the Public Ministry

The general objective consists in strengthening the capacity of the National Agency for the Administration of Seized Assets in order to effectively and efficiently fulfil the institutional mission by developing operational and strategic tools, as well as investing in human capital and increasing the degree of recovery of debts arising from crimes.

During 2018-2020, 10 regional meetings and two national level meetings place with the participation of prosecutors, police officers and specialists in the field of financial investigations from the National Agency for Fiscal Administration, which operates within the prosecutor's offices.

Project budget: 6.126.635,64 lei

Estimated timeframe: September 29th, 2017 – July 29th, 2022

2. Transparency, accessibility and legal education by improving public communication at the level of the judicial system, SIPOCA code 454

Project leader: Superior Council of Magistracy

Partners: The Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice, the National School of Clerks, the Judicial Inspection, the National Institute of Magistracy and the Ministry of Justice
The general objective of the project: improving and unitary approach to public communication at the level of the judicial system in order to strengthen its image, ensuring increased transparency inside and outside the system, as well as improving access to justice by increasing the level of information, awareness of citizens' rights and the development of culture legal.

Total project budget: 29.667.068 lei, of which the Public Ministry's contribution, 165.432 lei

Estimated timeframe: September 5th , 2018 - July 5th , 2023

3. Guide for the specializations of the judicial technical expertise – SIPOCA 639

Project leader: the Ministry of Justice

The project will be implemented in partnership with the Ministry of Justice (coordinating partner), the Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice (partner) and the Bucharest Court (partner).

The general objective pursued by the project is that of the efficiency of justice as a public service and improving the quality of the judicial act by developing and implementing a standard management tool at the level of the judicial system, applicable to the activity of judicial technical expertise.

Total budget: 5.740.000 lei

Estimated implementation period: July 24th , 2019 – July 24th, 2021 (implementation extended until 12/24/2023)

4. Enhancing institutional performance and quality by improving the system of testing, evaluation and psychological assistance at the level of the judicial system - SIPOCA 762

Partnership: The Public Ministry, the National Institute of Magistracy (INM), the Judicial Inspection (IJ).
Objective: Strengthening the institutional capacity at the level of the judicial system by developing an integrative IT solution in order to improve the recruitment, evaluation and psychological assistance systems of judges, prosecutors and clerks.

Project budget: 34.327.657,18 (amended by additional act from 35.214.830,23 lei)

Estimated implementation period: August 4th , 2020 - August 4th , 2023

5. Development of the integrated national IT system for recording the debts arising from crimes SIPOCA 763

Partnership: The National Agency for the Management of Seized Assets (coordinator) and the Public Ministry.

Objective: the development of the integrated informational system for the record of debts arising from crimes, the project contributing to the consolidation of the institutional capacity at the level of the judicial system to increase the performance and quality at the institutional level, including for the continued implementation of the new codes, the prerequisites for the efficiency of related work processes being ensured.

Estimated implementation period (following the amendments to the Financing Agreement no. 538/10.07.2020, approved by AM POCA, respectively the Additional Act no. 1, the implementation period was extended by 6 months): July 10th , 2020 – July 10th, 2023

Project budget: 3.912.146,40 lei, of which 157.905 lei the budget allocated to the Public Ministry.

6. Functional analysis and development strategy of the judicial system after 2020 (ASJ), SIPOCA 756

Partnership: The Public Ministry and the Ministry of Justice

Objective: strengthening the capacity of the judicial system to provide efficient, quality and accessible services.

The specific objective: streamlining the administration of justice by developing modern management tools to support key decisions at the level of the judicial system.

Project budget: 17,881,419 lei

During 2021, meetings were organized with the participation of the World Bank experts and prosecutors representing PICCJ, DIICOT, DNA, the Military Prosecutors Section, within the first component of the project, the Functional Analysis of the Judicial System.

Estimated implementation period: July 29th , 2020 – March 29th , 2023 (extended until December 29, 2023)

7. Optimization of management at the level of the judicial system. Prosecutor`s offices element SIPOCA 761/mySMIS133850

Project leader: the Superior Council of Magistracy

The general objective: enhancing the managerial capacity of the Public Ministry, as an essential part of the justice system in criminal matters, by implementing standard integrated management tools at the level of the territorial units of the prosecutor's offices, with the aim of creating the necessary premises for a predictable process of taking managerial decisions, especially regarding human resource components, workload management capacity, correct estimation of human resource needs and distribution of tasks at the level of prosecutors within the same territorial unit.

Project budget: 15.521.407,21 lei (of which 10.393.382,79 lei for the Public Ministry, of which the amount of 8.728.764,37 lei is eligible).

Estimated timeframe: August 4th , 2020 - August 4th , 2023 (extended until December 4, 2023)

8. „Developing the electronic case management system ECRIS V”, SIPOCA 871

Project Leader: the Ministry of Justice

Partners: The Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice, The Romanian Superior Council of Magistracy

General Project Objective: The specific objective of the project consists in modernising and adapting the electronic case management system ECRIS to meet the actual needs of the judicial system.

Budget: 134.463.351,15 lei

Estimated period for implementation: January 1st 2021 – July 31st 2024.

III. Beneficiary or partner within the Norwegian Financial Mechanism (MFN)

1. Victims protection - Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2014-2021 (the Public Ministry as beneficiary)

The objective of the project: strengthening the rule of law by ensuring an efficient, accessible and high-quality criminal justice system for the victims of crimes. It will particularly focus on child victims of crime and on victims of hate crime, in general. In this context, the project will address the special vulnerability of the Roma people.

Budget: 2.000.000 euro

Estimated implementation period: January 28th , 2022 – April 30th , 2024

2. Partnership between the Accept Association (Project Promotor) and the Public Ministry – POHCCJ „Partnership for the equality of LGBTI persons: implementing the ECHR jurisprudence concerning sexual orientation and gender identity”, code PN 5017

Objective: Improving the execution of the ECHR decisions and the ECRI recommendations' application in Romania on the criteria of sexual orientation and gender identity is the general objective of this project, helping to prevent and combat intolerance and discrimination of vulnerable groups by promoting dialogue and partnership between civil society and authorities.

Budget: (following the modifications to the financing Contract no. 2/04.11.2021/SEE approved by the Program Operator, the Romanian Social Development Fund): 4.744.089,21 lei, out of which the grant values 4.632.982,01 lei, POHCCJ's budget being increased to 1.298.834,33 lei.

Estimated period for implementation: December 1st 2021 –November 30th , 2023

3. Partnership between the Center for Legal Resources (as a project promoter) and the Romanian Public Ministry – The Prosecutor’s Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice (as a partner) – “AdaptJust – accessible justice for people with disabilities”, code PN 5012

Objectives:

Objective no 1 – Increasing the capacity of the national institutions to implement ECtHR judgements and other country specific recommendations in the field of respecting the rights of the persons with intellectual and/or mental disabilities through the enforcement of a mixed group of actions such as training, awareness and support given by independent experts towards prosecutors, judges, lawyers, psychiatrists, psychologists, social workers, as well as through an advocacy campaign, in a timeframe of 23 months.

Objective no 2 – Facilitating the access to justice for the persons with intellectual and/or mental health problems through creating and piloting, for 23 month, a national mechanism of protection of the rights of the persons with disabilities admitted to mental health and social care institutions.

Objective no 3 – Increasing the level of implementation of the legal international framework regarding the rights of the persons with disabilities through elaborating and disseminating a National Action Plan to prevent the ill-treatments applied in the state institutions where the persons with intellectual and psychosocial disabilities are placed.

Project budget: 6.450.203,78 lei, of which 5.482.673,21 lei grant, and 942.315,78 lei the Public Ministry’s contribution

Estimated timeframe: November 1st, 2021 – November 1st, 2023

IV. Projects currently in the programming phase or in the contracting phase – Recovery and Resilience Plan of Romania (RRPR)

Following inter-institutional discussions between the Ministry of Justice and the Ministry of Investment and European Projects (MIPE) regarding Public Ministry’s contribution to the preparation of the Recovery and Resilience Plan of Romania (RRPR), the following project ideas have been accepted for financing:

Institution	Project	Project value (EUR, VAT not included)
Justice sector (Ministry of Justice + Public Ministry)	Setting up a ‘greenfield’ Data Center for the whole judicial system (Ministry of Justice + Public Ministry + subordinate structures)	26.750.000
Justice sector (Ministry of Justice + Public Ministry)	Designing Data Center, modernizing (design and execution) and maintenance for technical rooms (data rooms) with non-IT equipment (HVAC, power generators, high-capacity UPSs, etc.) during the period of transition to the Data Center (2021-2026)	5.000.000
Prosecutor’s Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice (POHCCJ)	Adequate structured cabling at POHCCJ headquarters	1.420.000
POHCCJ	VoIP telephony system	2.139.000

POHCCJ	Technological extension and security for the electronic messaging solution over the Internet	971.000
POHCCJ	Endowing the structures of the Public Ministry (POHCCJ, DIICOT, DNA, territorial prosecutor's offices) with IT equipment required for complying with the measures for preventing and fighting the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic & Data access security and storage integrated system for POHCCJ	10.100.000
POHCCJ+ DNA+DIICOT	Improving Public Ministry's communications infrastructure (routers)	1.401.600
DNA	Improving information protection for DNA	2.175.200
DIICOT	Specialised equipment for technical surveillance and data protection for DIICOT	1.473.000

Estimated total budget for the Public Ministry: 20.779.800 euro (VAT not included)

Estimated implementation period: 2023-2026.

V. Projects funded by Recovery and Resilience Plan of Romania (RRPR)

1. Improving Public Ministry's communications infrastructure (POHCCJ, DNA and DIICOT)

Specific Objective:

This project aims to provide modern communication networks for all prosecutors' offices by replacing the existing routers from the Public Ministry's network level with 498 routers and connection accessories, organized in 249 sets, respectively 3 type 1 sets (20Gbps), 30 type 2 sets and 216 type 3 sets for the territorial structures/ subordinated prosecutors' offices (1 Gbps).

Project budget: 8.339.521,19 lei (VAT included), respectively 7.008.001 lei (without VAT).

The financing contract no. 2/74176/2022/15.12.2022 related to this project was signed on December 15, 2022.

Implementation period: 15.12.2022 – 15.12.2025

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Data access security and storage integrated system for POHCCJ

Project objectives:

1. Increasing the resilience of the judicial system by modernizing the IT infrastructure at the central and local level, including by ensuring the technical infrastructure for remote work, digitizing documents (including archives), improving communications, ensuring the access to services for people with disabilities, etc.;

2. Improving cyber-security capabilities (by provided equipment and training), both centrally and locally.

Project budget: 50.500.000 lei (without VAT), respectively 60.095.000 lei (including VAT)

The project contract is to be signed at the level of the Ministry of Justice.

3. Adequate structured cabling at POHCCJ headquarters for ensuring the productivity of IT systems

Project objective: Updating of the IT infrastructure at the Prosecutor's Office attached to the High Court of Cassation and Justice headquarters by developing a new LAN network (data-voice) according to the Cat.6A standard.

Project budget: 8.449.000 lei (VAT included), respectively 7.100.000 lei (without VAT)

The project contract is to be signed at the level of the Ministry of Justice.