

1. *Managerial autonomy of the judiciary*

The policy note from 22 January 2026 indeed refers to a proposal concerning the evaluation and the disciplinary system of magistrates to be presented to Parliament in spring, before work can continue on the managerial autonomy of the judiciary.

After receiving the advisory opinions from the High Council of Justice, the Advisory Council of the Magistrature, the Court of Cassation, the College of Courts and Tribunals and the College of the Public Prosecutor's Office, a proposal concerning the evaluation of magistrates and the chiefs of corps of the sitting magistrature has started the first preparatory steps to be presented to Parliament. As such, we have recently received the advice from the Inspection of Finances, which is the first step in the legislative process. Concerning the disciplinary system of magistrates, the advisory opinions of the same bodies as mentioned above must be reviewed in greater detail. As such, the proposal as mentioned above does not concern the disciplinary system of magistrates.

2. *Reform of the Constitutional Court*

There has been no formal plan yet to reintroduce a concrete project of reform of the Constitutional Court after the vote of February 2026, but this topic remains a priority of the government. A reform of the Constitutional Court is needed to strengthen the legal and technical expertise of its judges, in line with the crucial role that the Court plays in our legal order.

3. *Additional resources for the judiciary*

Ministry of Justice sticks by the answers given during the country visit.

4. *Financial prosecution section within the Federal Prosecution Service*

The proposal concerning the creation of a Financial Prosecution Service, as a section within the Federal Prosecution Service, has been introduced to Parliament on 11 May 2026 (De Belgische Kamer van volksvertegenwoordigers). It will now be the subject of further discussions in Parliament.

5. *Whistleblowing*

There is no definite timeline yet on publication.

6. *Increased checks on the application of the Code of Conduct for federal public office holder*

Ministry of Public Function and Ministry of Budget deliver the following answer: no updates on that front.