



THE EXPERIENCE OF CSO'S IN ALBANIA IN MONITORING THE ANTI-CORRUPTION MEASURES

Context:

Recommendation 8: Fight against Corruption
(EC Opinion on Albania 2010)

Response:

- National Anticorruption Strategy and Action Plan 2010-2013
- Action Plan to address 12 Priorities, Priority 8 (adopted on 21/03/2012, previous version 10/06/2010)



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- CSO efforts:
- -Monitoring of strategy implementation
- -Monitoring of specific sectors
- - Assistance with implementation
- -Consultation on strategy drafting (problems: very little, done ad hoc, not all CSOs notified)



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- Example Monitoring efforts of Open Society Foundation Albania (OSFA):
 - -Group of experts
 - -Combined research: desk research, national and international reports, interviews with both national officials and third parties (CSOs, donors, etc), media reports.
 - - Public dissemination and presentation



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- Findings:
- Most of measures only partially completed, progress is ad hoc
- A lot depends on the individual leading the institution of the effort within the institution, not much team work (comes up again in challenges)
- A lot of emphasis put on digitalization , less on changing culture of public service (more sticks less carrots)



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- Challenges encountered:
- -Access and Cooperation
- -Inaccurate recording and lack of coordination
- -Responsiveness levels
- -Double standard behavior: enhanced during public presentations



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- Some thoughts from Albanian CSO experts with extensive experience in anti corruption monitoring :
- -IMPUNITY AND JUSTICE SYSTEM
- -CONFLICT OF INTEREST
- -CLEAR INDICATORS FOR MONITORING
- -COOPERATION BETWEEN CSOs (one voice)

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