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Seminar for the High Judicial Council of Uzbekistan

Implementation of international standards related to judicial independence and accountability

8-9 January 2019 Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Draft Agenda

DAY 1: TUESDAY, 8 JANUARY 2019

09:30 - 10:00 **Opening Remarks**

Mr. Ubaydulla MINGBAEV, Chairperson of the Higher Judicial Council of Uzbekistan

TBC - Representative of Supreme Court of Uzbekistan

Mr. Jürgen BECKER, Senior Project Officer, OSCE Project Coordinator in Uzbekistan

Mr. José Igreja MATOS, First Vice President of the International Association of Judges, President of the European Association of Judges, Judge at the Court of Appeals of Porto, Portugal

Mr. Ghenadie BARBA, Chief, Rule of Law Unit, OSCE/ODIHR

Moderator – Mr. Dilshod ARIPOV, Deputy Chairman of the High Judicial Council of the Republic of Uzbekistan

10:00 - 10:35 Session 1: Rule of Law and Judicial Independence

Overview of international and regional instruments related to judicial independence and judicial accountability

This session will address international and regional instruments related to the judicial independence and accountability, including the United Nations and Council of Europe instruments (latest opinion no.21 of CCJE and the ODIHR/OSCE tools (Kyiv Recommendations and plans for update).

Expert: Mr. José Igreja MATOS, Mr. Ghenadie BARBA

10:35 – 10:50 **Session 2:** Success and challenges in implementation of international standards related to judicial independence and accountability in Uzbekistan

Presenter: Mr. Sandzhar DUSMANOV, Judge of the Higher Judicial Council of the Republic of Uzbekistan

10:50 - 11:10 **Coffee break**

11:15 – 11:45 Session 3: Practical tools for monitoring effective application of the right to a fair trial in courts

This session will cover international standards related to the right to a fair trial and will present OSCE/ODIHR tools for monitoring trials, including good practices of trial monitoring from other countries (Moldova, Ukraine, Kazakhstan, Kirgizstan, Bosnia). The participants will discuss the applicability of trial monitoring in the courts of Uzbekistan, i.e. contribution to increased judicial accountability, who should undertake the monitoring, selection of cases, confidentiality of information concerning the trial participants, use of data from trial monitoring in developing internal regulations on the functioning of courts (e.g. adjustments to the Code of Ethics etc.).

Expert and moderator of the session: Ghenadie BARBA

Open discussion

11:50 – 13:00 Session 4: Evaluation of performance and promotion of judges

This session will discuss the role of the judicial councils in evaluation of judges. Best Practices and international standards will be presented along with a more in-depth analysis about the role of Judicial Councils and their expected outcome.

Expert and moderator of the session – Mr. José Igreja MATOS

Open discussion/Work in sub-groups – Check List of the standards

13:00 - 14:30 Lunch

14:30 – 15:30 Session 5: Disciplinary liability of judges

This session will discuss the role of the judicial councils in disciplinary procedures, including such questions as: criteria for disciplinary proceedings, procedure of examining disciplinary matters, the composition of the body disciplining judges, the rights of the accused judge and the sanctions, including early release rom service. These questions will be reviewed in light of international and regional instruments and the more recent case law of the ECtHR

Expert and moderator of the discussion - Mr. José Igreja MATOS

Open discussion

15:30 - 15:50 **Coffee break**

15:50 – 17:20 **Session 6: Disciplinary liability of judges (continuations)**

This session will continue the previous discussion and will deal with practical questions of the participants

Expert and moderator of the discussion - Mr. José Igreja MATOS

Work in subgroups

17:20 – 17:35 **Wrap-up of first day**

Moderator – **Mr. Ildar FAYZULLIN**, National Project Officer, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan

DAY 2: WEDNESDAY, 9 JANUARY 2019

9:00 – 9:15 **Opening discussion of Day 2**

Moderator – **Mr. Ildar FAYZULLIN,** National Project Officer, OSCE Project Co-ordinator in Uzbekistan

9:15 – 10:15 Session 7: International and regional standards related to judicial integrity, Judicial Integrity Network of the UNODC, The Bangalore Principles

Description: This session will present the Global Judicial Integrity Network and focus on their work.

Expert and moderator of the session – Mr. José Igreja MATOS

Open discussion

10:15 – 11:15 **Session 8: Judicial ethics**

Expert and moderator of the session – Mr. José Igreja MATOS

Open Discussion

11:15 – 11:35 **Coffee break**

11:40 – 13:00 **Session 9: Judicial ethics (continuation)**

Concrete Cases using the training tools of the Global Integrity Network of UNODC –

Work in subgroups

Expert and moderator of the session – Mr. José Igreja MATOS

13:00 -14:30 Lunch

14:30-15:45 Initial and in-service training of judges

Description: principles of training, methods and existing good practices.

Expert and moderator of the session – Mr. José Igreja MATOS

15:45 – 16.00 Closing Remarks

Mr. Dilshod ARIPOV, Deputy Chairman of the High Judicial Council of the Republic of Uzbekistan

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