

Legislation on civil service in Georgia: implementation, onging process and strategic challenges

Exchange of Georgian Experience and Practice

In this Presentation

- * Enactment of new law on civil service;
- New legal Approaches and Priorities;
- Secondary legislation: drafting and implementing;
- * On-going process;
- Challenges we are facing;
- * Tools to overcome obstacles.



Enactment of new law on civil service

- * Comprehensive reform of Georgia's civil service starts from the adoption of the Civil Service Reform Concept on the 19 November 2014 which provided a solid basis for drafting of a new Law on Civil Service
- * 27 October 2015 Enactment of new law on civil service
- 1st January 2017 new law enters into force
- * Transitional provisions of the new law task the Government of Georgia with the adoption of relevant primary and secondary legislation



New Legal Approaches and Priorities (1)

- Solid and harmonized Legal Basis for Developing a Civil Service System
- Modern Civil Service System According to Western Standards
- Politically Neutral Civil Service
- Development of a Career-based Civil Service System
- Categories of Civil Servants



New Legal Approaches and Priorities (2)

- > Institutional Strengthening of the Civil Service Bureau
- Recruitment Process
 - Certification
 - Open Competition
 - Closed Competition
- Career Development Tools
 - * Transfer
 - Career Development
 - * Mobility
 - Training
- Performance Appraisal System



New Legal Approaches and Priorities (3)

- Rights and Duties of Professional Civil Servants
- Classification System
- Remuneration System
- Disciplinary Procedure
- > Dismissal



Primary and Secondary Legislation to be Adopted In 2016

- * Law of Georgia on Remunaration in Civil Service
- Law of Georgia on Legal Entities of Public Law
- Decrees of the Government of Georgia proceeding from the laws



Legal Framework for Civil Service

- * Working group
- * Preparation of the drafts
- Discussion with the international and local experts
- * Relevant updates
- * Final comments and submission for adoption



Ongoing Process

- * Drafts of 8 decree out of 12 were prepared;
- * 2 laws are already drafted;
- Public discussion were held;
- * The Draft legislation was presented to:
- NGOs
- HR and Legal Units of the Line Ministries
- Representatives of the Local Self-government

Challenges

- * Transferring process and necessity to protect rights of working civil servants;
- Not to create obstacles and to deliver all novelty on time to involved entities;
- * Time.

Tools to overcome obstacles

Functional analysis

- * To prepare the public institutions for the changes envisaged by the new Law on Civil Service it is essential to carry out the process of functional analysis which includes:
 - Detailed analysis of line ministry portfolios; in-depth examination of structures (vertical analysis)
 - Develop general principles for structuring local self-govenrment bodies and LEPLs

Trainings



Implementation of Civil Service Legislation in 2016

- * Job descriptions
- * Performance Evaluation
- Certification of Civil Servants
- Electronic Human Resources Management System (e-HRMS)
- Ethics and Protection of Whistleblowers Rights
- Asset Declaration Monitoring System



Thank you for your attention!

