

The Preliminary Recommendations of Promo-LEX on Improvements to the Regulations on Political Party Funding were Debated



On 3 March 2016 Promo-LEX Association presented the preliminary conclusions of its analysis of political party funding. They also debated the drafted recommendations proposed to improve the internal

financial management system of the Moldovan political parties. Representatives of political parties, authorities and the civil society had the possibility to express their opinions at the event. These debates were organized as a response to many of similar recommendations offered by representatives of political parties when interviewed by Promo-LEX.

According to the preliminary conclusions of Promo-LEX Association, most of the political parties avoid submitting the annual financial statements to the oversight and control authority. Besides, almost half of the political parties registered with the Ministry of Justice avoid aligning their statutory provisions to the legal requirements on regulating the size and payment manner of the membership fees.

Cornelia Călin, Promo-LEX analyst stated that: *“The review of the financial statements of political parties for 2013-2014 revealed the ongoing dependence of political parties on a single funding source. On the other hand, the registers of fees and donations is kept sporadically and cumulatively, not*

complying with the current regulations from the law on political party funding“

The President of the Central Electoral Commission, Mr. Iurie Ciocan, reiterated the new provisions on political party funding stipulated in Law No 36, in particular the internal financial-economic records of parties, as well as the reporting of their financial activity and, last but not the least, the responsibilities towards CEC. Iurie Ciocan draw attention to the requirements for political parties to submit to CEC the annual financial statements until 31 March 2016 in the format provided in the new regulation.

The final findings and recommendations of Promo-LEX will be presented by the end of March.

The event was organized under “Fighting political corruption in the Republic of Moldova by improving political parties’ funding regulations and civic oversight” Project, implemented by Promo-LEX Association via the Good Governance Fund of the UK Embassy to Chisinau.

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