

# Promo-LEX Association will monitor Local Elections of June 2011

Promo-LEX Association launches the monitoring effort of the general local elections of June 5th 2011, within the Civic Coalition for Free and Fair Elections, Coalition 2009. The monitoring effort aims to increase public trust in the electoral processes, provide impartial and non-partisan information about the electoral campaign and elections' administration and contribute to more free and fair elections that will increase the democratic change in Moldova.

"It is highly important to determine and compare trends of this election campaign with the trends of the previous campaigns in order to see the evolution or the involution of the election legislation, to assess the behavior of different election competitors and the accuracy of this election campaign", stated Corneliu Cirimpei, Network Coordinator within the monitoring effort.

On the national level, Promo-LEX monitoring effort will include 40 long-term observers in all electoral constituencies and about 700 short-term observers that would monitor election process on the E-day.

The activity of all observers is coordinated by a core team that is responsible for their training in election procedures and independent and non-partisan character of the monitoring effort. Core team will also carry out the analysis of the observer's findings throughout the monitoring effort.

The observers will report their findings in a standardized form, based on direct observations, meetings with interlocutors and consulting official documents. In some constituencies, Promo-LEX will conduct special operations,

such as: Parallel Vote Tabulation (PVT), statistically based observation focused on election procedure's quality (Quick Count) and E-day observation through mobile observation teams.

Promo-LEX monitoring effort is a non-partisan program that aims to increase voters' trust in election process, regardless of who wins the elections. Based on the observer's findings, Promo-LEX monitoring effort will highlight the trends of the election process and, where relevant, will raise concerns. The latter will serve to develop a set of recommendations designed to improve the electoral process and increase public confidence in elections.

The Promo-LEX Association is a non-governmental organization focused on promoting democratic values and on implementing internationally recognized standards in the Republic of Moldova, including the Transnistrian region. Promo-LEX monitoring effort is implemented with technical and financial assistance from the National Democratic Institute for International Affairs (NDI).

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