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In autumn of 2019, the president of Ukraine and his delegation visited Latvia. Ministers of foreign affairs of Latvia and the Ukraine unveiled a memorial plaque dedicated to the 1920 establishment of the first diplomatic mission in Riga of the People Republic of Ukraine, at the Court administration building in Riga, at Antonijas street 6.

The Court administration took part in the grant competition announced by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia for the first time in 2016 and immediately received funding for implementing a project in Georgia. The project was aimed at developing cooperation between Georgian and Latvian institutions, to improve accessibility to court, promote trust in courts and law enforcement institutions and strengthen the rule of law. 10 representatives from the Georgian Ministry of Justice, National Probation Agency and the Supreme court, as well as judges visited Latvia.

Meetings about developing and introducing policies for probation and the court system were organized. Particular attention was focused on questions about probation for minors and use of settlements in litigation, which promote the effectiveness of this process. In the context of developing and introducing a policy for the court system, the delegation visited the Court administration, the Ministry of Justice, the Supreme Court, Riga District Court, the Latvian Judicial Training Centre, met with the Judicial Disciplinary Committee.

The second project was implemented in 2018, developing the cooperation between Ukrainian and Latvian



Participants of the project “Cooperation development between Georgian and Latvian institutions with the goal of making court more accessible, promoting trust in courts and law enforcement institutions and strengthening the rule of law.”

judicial institutions regarding the newest court administration system technologies. 11 representatives from the Ukrainian Supreme Court visited the Latvian judicial institutions. During their visit they got to know the Latvian court system in general, as well as court reforms and future development

“ Often such “little” projects create a foundation for further cooperation on broader projects and provides possibilities to develop closer and more in-depth cooperation in the future. For example, thanks to the grant project by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs in 2016, contacts were developed in Georgia and in 2017 the Court administration began a project in Georgia “Training for court employees within the framework of the Twinning training program”, recruiting as partners the French National School for the Judiciary, the Judicial Academy of Croatia and the Latvian Judicial Training Centre.

plans, IT solutions for court operations, including the introduces e-services, which make court accessible to the society and makes the court’s everyday work more effective. The delegation also visited the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Republic of Latvia.

In both projects the cooperation institutions expressed satisfaction about the knowledge gained from the Latvian experts and exchange of experience on introducing and implementing innovations. Even though the implementation time of the projects was very short, the projects have left long-term effect. For example, during the Georgian project a cooperation memorandum was signed between the probation agencies of both states. The goal of this memorandum is to promote cooperation in modernizing the probation system, equalization of rights in the field of probation according to international and European standards, exchanging experience on drafting laws and regulations in the field of probation so they would conform to international treaties and international standards.



More about the project:

- <https://ej.uz/wjxh>
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