Public Administration Reform in Armenia: Towards a More Responsive and Inclusive Reform

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Factors influencing PAR in Armenia

• Constitutional changes in 2015
  • Change of government system from mixed to parliamentary system
  • New Law on Government Structure and Activities *(currently in parliament)*

• Comprehensive & Enhanced Partnership Agreement between the European Union & Armenia
  • Setting new commitments and standarts
  • Setting the new dynamics for the reforms
PAR Supporting Documents

• Partnership Priorities
  - Strengthening institutions and good governance;

• 20 Deliverables for 2020*
  Priority II: Strengthening Institutions and good governance
  - 11. Public administration reform

• OGP action plans
  - enhance transparency, accountability and public participation

*2020 EaP deliverables are fine but that they will not work if basic values like democratic principles, human rights issues, freedom of expression are set aside or given less importance.

1. Strategic Framework of Public Administration Reform

- **PRINCIPLE 1:** An effective public administration reform agenda is developed which addresses key challenges and is systematically implemented and monitored.

- **PRINCIPLE 2:** The financial sustainability of public administration reform is ensured.

- **PRINCIPLE 3:** Institutions involved in public administration reform have clear responsibility for reform initiatives and the capacity to implement them.

How EaP CSF Armenian National Platform can Support the Reform

• Provide expertise
  • Eastern Partnership Index
  • Policy papers (DELIVERABLE 11. *Implementation of public administration reform*)

• Serve as platform for communication to the public
  • Inform member CSO’s about the ongoing reform
  • Provide feedback and opinion

• Implement monitoring

Although ANP has potential, however those can be insufficiently utilized if lacks resources: the Platform has no funding since October 2017. While it is decisive period now for CEPA.
Thank you.