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The European Union provides methodology training to Turkmen judges

Ashgabat, 21 December 2017 – On 21-22 December 2017, Ashgabat will host regional judicial training seminars organised by the EU-Central Asia Rule of Law Platform, with support from the Supreme Court of Turkmenistan.

Two training seminars will be organised by the EU-Central Asia Rule of Law Platform, with support from the Supreme Court of Turkmenistan, for a group of 30 Turkmen judges from Ashgabat and the velayats.

The first seminar will aim at conveying methodology on court decision drafting in civil and administrative law cases, while the second seminar will focus on court decision drafting in criminal law cases.

Both seminars are part of a regional training programme based on methodology developed by the Platform. It presents general guidelines and principles for drafting court decisions and should serve as a reference material for judicial professionals. It includes developments specific to the main categories of court decisions: civil, criminal and administrative, and is based on the current relevant laws of each partner country, with numerous references to their case-law. It also builds on best international practices of court decision drafting and the principles of the fair trial and fair court decisions resulting, especially, from the case-law of the European Court of Human Rights, and from certain standards common to the Western legal tradition of rule of law.

At the Fourth Ministerial Conference (Astana, 14-15 November 2014), the Ministers of Justice of Central Asia and the European Union underlined “the need to develop, in a systematic way, programmes of initial and on-going vocational training of the judiciary in the area of decision drafting, methodology, execution of court decisions, and sharing of comparative law information and best practices”.

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