



The Serbian Judicial Functional Review

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What is a Functional Review?

A Judicial Functional Review provides a baseline and analytical input for future reform by:

- ❑ Assessing the current functioning and performance of institutions in a justice system;
- ❑ Making recommendations to improve the performance of the justice system;
- ❑ Providing a sound and solid empirical basis to assess the impact of future justice reform initiatives.



Why a Functional Review?

A Judicial Functional Review presents a strategic opportunity to:

- ❑ Identify an objective data-rich baseline for Serbia's accession negotiations under Chapter 23;
- ❑ Develop analytic input that can inform Serbia's opening benchmarks under Chapter 23;
- ❑ Enable the EU and Serbia to measure progress in reforms throughout the negotiations of Chapter 23.



What will the Functional Review cover?

The Functional Review will focus on the courts as the main vehicle for justice service delivery and the primary institutions of justice in Serbia.

The scope will also include those aspects of the functioning of other institutions to the extent to which they enable or impede service delivery by the courts.

‘whether and how the issue contributes, either directly or indirectly, to the delivery of justice services by the courts in Serbia’



How will system performance be analyzed?

The first component will focus on establishing a justice system performance framework and then generating baseline data.

Performance		
Efficiency of service delivery	Quality of services	Access to services



What will be the process?

Justice Performance Framework

Data Collection & Data Generation

Desk review

Multi-stakeholder Perception survey (2010, 2014)

Access to justice assessment

Caseload and fiscal data

Analysis & Assessment

Performance assessment

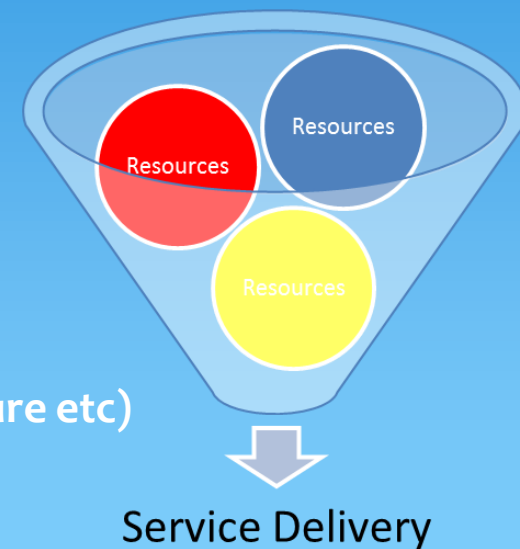
Resource assessments (HR, finance, IT, infrastructure etc)

Comparative Assessments

Hypothesis Testing

Options & Recommendations

Risks





Engagement with Institutional Stakeholders

The Functional Review team will engage with each institution on equal footing.

Our team will work in close cooperation with stakeholders to:

- Collect and discuss data;
- Receive your input and analysis;
- Discuss hypotheses and possible options;
- Make comments on drafts.

A Stakeholder Consultation Group will comprise representatives and a contact point from each relevant institution.



Broader stakeholder engagement

The Functional Review will also host an NGO stakeholder group to:

- Provide updates on the process;
- Seek input for the analysis;
- Participate in certain events.

The Functional Review will also conduct two Justice Competitions:

- Suggestion Competition: in 500 words or less... \$1,000
- Photo Competition: your vision of justice upon accession... \$1,000



What's the timeframe?

- ❑ Team is in place & data collection has commenced
- ❑ First workshops will be held in late January 2014
- ❑ Workshops & meetings throughout the Spring 2014
- ❑ Analysis by mid-July 2014



Thank you for your attention.

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