



Moldova Program Summary

Moldova's program is focused on anti-corruption by strengthening the capacity of the judiciary, increasing the monitoring capacity of civil society and the mass media, reducing corruption in the health system, curbing corruption in the tax, customs and police services, and reforming the Center for Combating Economic Crimes and Corruption (CCECC).

Program Highlights

★ Renovation of Moldova's Ungheni District Court was completed, and over 800 computers were installed in other courts in order to improve transparency and efficiency in the judiciary.

Threshold Status Status......Implementation, Year 2 Threshold Information Total Amount.......\$24.7 million Agreement Signed.......December 14, 2006 Country Information Population.......4,205,747* GNI Per Capita Income......\$880*

- ★ The Association of Independent Press held two meetings of the Public-Private Working Group on media strengthening, resulting in three proposed legal reforms and an agreement with the government of Moldova and media representatives about free access to public information through the State Registration Board.
- ★ The six month pilot period for implementing the 14 Quality Controls in healthcare facilities was completed. An evaluation concluded that implementing Quality Councils improves the quality of healthcare and that a nationwide rollout would be a valuable asset to the entire healthcare system. The rollout would require a training program to assist administrators in setting up the program in their facilities.
- ★ Threshold program assistance is helping Moldovan customs to comply with current international standards by implementing a "Single Window" concept of customs clearance and by establishing an Independent Monitoring Board to monitor corruption at the state boarder crossing points. Both of these activities are making progress toward full implementation.
- ★ The Center for Combating Economic Crime and Corruption (CCECC) held a number of events to improve media relations, including an open house that brought together approximately 25 representatives of mass media outlets and a round table forum to present CCECC's functions and responsibilities. Both of these activities received substantial and positive coverage in both broadcast and print media.