

LEGAL REFORMS IN ALBANIA – PROBLEMS, CHALLENGES AND IMPROVEMENTS

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Abstract

In the framework of the great challenges that Albania faces in the process of its Euro Atlantic integration and the strengthening of rule of law, without doubt, the improvement of the activity of the justice system, takes a considerable place. The improvement of the activity of the justice system is one of the most important and inherent aspects of the integration of Albania and one of the direct demands on Albania from the international organizations. It has been years now that it has been worked on the improvement of the performance, the increase of the authority, independence and professionalism of the justice system. In order to achieve such results, it is not only necessary to improve the everyday work of the operators of the justice system. For successful results, it is needed a deeper and wider work, a clear vision and strategy for the measures to be undertaken for the challenges of the moment and those of the future. With this focus, this paper presents, on the one hand, some of the problems that accompany the reformation of the justice system in general in Albania and on the other hand, it offers suggestions for appropriate solutions to the challenges that legal reforms meet in Albania, in view of the respect also for European developed standards. At the end, this paper reaches the conclusion that a serious, professional, impartial, cooperative and long vision approach must accompany the process of the reformation of the legal system in Albania, so that it results in a successful undertaking and an achievement for the Albanian institutions and society.

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