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The Albanian model

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Approximation of national legislation to the EU Acquis

IT support to Albania's integration process

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Introduction

- The Government of Albania decided to review the way of planning the EU integration process
- A new methodology for the National Plan for the Implementation of the SAA (NPISAA) was developed
- A new Information System to support the process was developed

Goals of the Information System

- To support the assignment of a responsible institution for the transposition of each item of the EU acquis
- To support the planning of national measures for the approximation and implementation of the EU acquis
- To support the estimation of financial implications of EU approximation
- To support the drafting and monitoring of the National Plan (NPISAA)

Stakeholders (1): Albanian Ministry of European Integration

- The Ministry of European Integration (MEI) coordinates and monitors progress of the approximation of national legislation
- MEI coordinates the preparation of the National Plan for the Implementation of the SAA (NPISAA)
- MEI leads the preparations for accession negotiations

Stakeholders (2): Albanian authorities

- Planning and implementation of legal approximation is the task of the Line Ministries and other central institutions
- The Information System is hosted by the National Agency for Information Society (NAIS)

Stakeholders (3): SMEI II

- The development of the Information System is assisted by the Project “Support to the Albanian Ministry of European Integration (SMEI II)”
- Funded by the European Union (IPA 2008) and the German Government and implemented by Deutsche Gesellschaft für Internationale Zusammenarbeit (GIZ) GmbH
- Timeline: September 2009 - September 2011
- Objective: To support Albania’s administration to implement the SAA and prepare for EU accession

- Approximation of Albanian legislation to EU acquis
- SAA
- Article 70 (Title VI)
- Accession to EU
- Third Copenhagen criterion: obligations of membership

Processes supported by the Information System

- 1) Distribution of responsibilities for the transposition of the EU acquis (Phase 1)
- 2) Drafting, monitoring and reporting on the National Plan (NPISAA)(Phase 2)

System for the allocation of EU acquis

The information system for the allocation of the EU acquis to the responsible institutions manages the process of Approximation of national legislation with the European legislation (**EU acquis**).

The system is based on the database of the EU legislation which is regularly updated with new and modified EU measures (TAIEX Progress Editor).

Approximation of national legislation to the EU Acquis

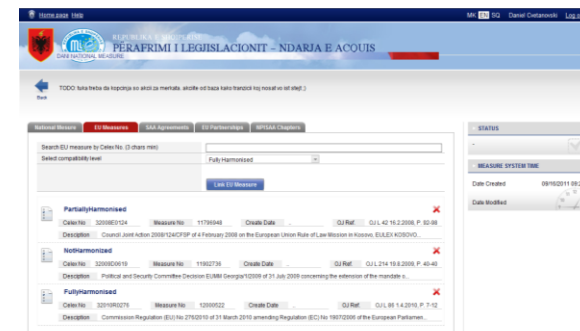
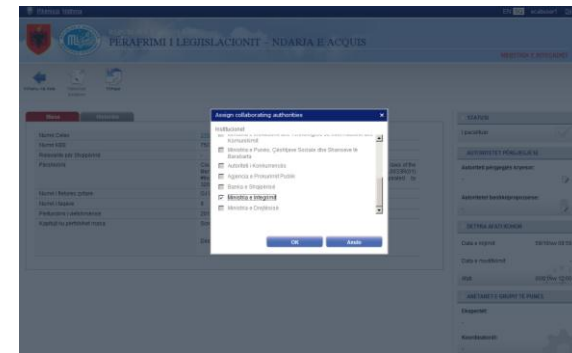
The screenshot shows the 'PERAFRIMI I LEGISLACIONIT - NDARJA E ACQUIS' system interface. It features a search bar, filters for 'AUTORITETI' and 'ADRESA', and a list of measures. The list includes details such as the measure ID, status, and a brief description of the measure.

Measure ID	Status	Description
31975/0033	I pacaktuar	Council Directive 75/319/EEC of 17 December 1974 on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to cold-water meters...
31987/0354	I pacaktuar	Council Directive 87/254/EEC of 25 June 1987 amending certain directives on the approximation of the laws of the Member States relating to industrial products...
32002/0887	I pacaktuar	Commission Decision of 8 November 2002 authorizing derogations from certain provisions of Council Directive 2000/29/EC in respect of naturally or artificially dwarfed plants of Chamæcyparis Spach, Juniperus L. and Pinus L. originating in Japan...
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2007/697/EC	I pacaktuar	Commission Decision of 22 October 2007 granting a derogation requested by Ireland pursuant to Council Directive 91/676/EEC concerning the protection of waters against pollution caused by nitrates from agricultural sources...

The screenshot shows the 'PERAFRIMI I LEGISLACIONIT - NDARJA E ACQUIS' system interface displaying a table of national measures. The table includes columns for measure ID, legal act type, date created, date of adoption, and authority.

Measure ID	Legal Act Type	Date Created	Date of Adoption	Authority
test national measure #7	Law	16.09.2011	23.09.2011	Ivanj Ministry 2
test national measure #6	Governmental Law	16.09.2011	20.09.2011	Ivanj Ministry 1
test national measure #3	Law	15.09.2011	08.09.2011	Dani National Measure
test existing measure #2	Ministerial Law	15.09.2011	21.09.2011	Ivanj Ministry 1
test national measure #1	Law	15.09.2011	15.09.2011	Ivanj Ministry 2

The goal is to assign responsible authority for each individual EU measure which would then decide if measure is relevant for Albania's process of harmonisation of the national legislation with the Acquis



The essential functions of the Law Approximation Database (LAD) are to:

- Store up-to-date information on National and EU legislation;
- Store up-to-date information on correlations and compatibility levels between EU and national legal acts;
- Serve as a tool to assess, plan and monitor the process of approximation and harmonization of the National and EU legislation;
- Have reporting features that would make the process of preparing the NPISAA more efficient;

Collaboration tool for preparation of the NPISAA

Database of planned legal measures and implementing activities related to EU acquis (and SAA and EU Partnership)

Information on financial implications for each measure

Collaboration tool for drafting the narrative part of the NPISAA

Interoperability with e-cabinet and IT system for distribution of acquis

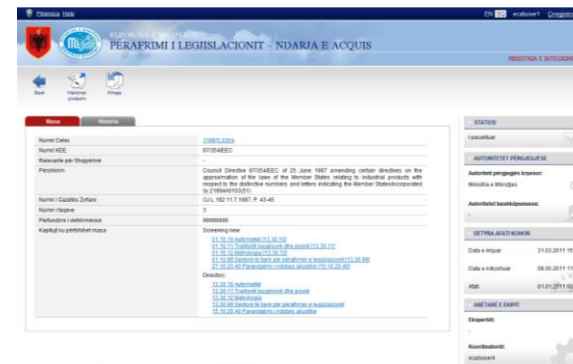
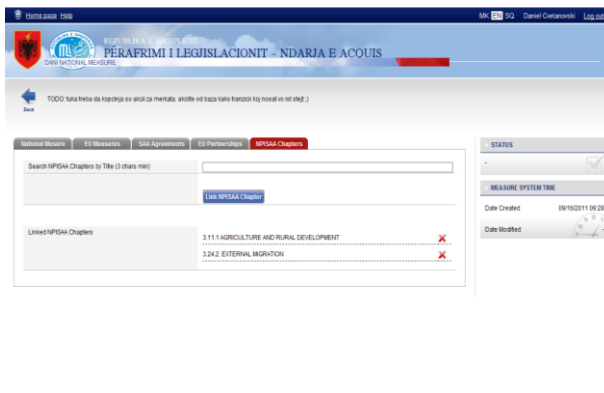
Core functionalities of the **collaboration tool for preparation of the NPISAA**:

- Support team work and collaboration in the process of preparation;
- Powerful tool for the coordinators, which enables them to have an up-to-date overview of the process and document status in any given moment (reporting);
- Support division and delegation of the work to working groups as well as automatic compilation of the document;
- Support flexible assignment and management of the working group members and their roles within the process.

The functionality to store and manage the information on **basic financial implications of the legal and implementing measures**, provides following of the financial indicators for the planned national legal acts.

The purpose of this system is to assess the **costs of transposition of the EU acquis and in particular the implementation** (and enforcement) of the legislative and institutional measures, and the **financial resources** needed to cover these costs.

The system provides a very robust and flexible system of reporting and monitoring, which is suitable for a variety of purposes.



Reporting options:

- Show only planned National Measures
- Include National Measures which are Out of Force
- Include EU Measures which are Not Relevant
- Show only planned dates

Reporting Criteria:

- List of available Chapter Classifications- NPI, Screening, Directory
- Planned Date of Adoption Timeframe: From - To
- Planned Date of Entry Into Force Timeframe: From - To

Conclusions

- Integrated IT solution to manage law approximation
- Interoperable with the e-Cabinet (and eventually e-Parliament) solutions

Thank you for your attention

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