

PGG III: Fostering mediation in Azerbaijan**Period of implementation:** 01.03.2023 - 28.02.2026**EaP countries:**
Azerbaijan**EU contribution:** € 704 000**Total budget:** € 880 000**Implementing organisation(s):**
Council of Europe**Project website:** partnership-governance-eu.coe.int/**Project description:**

This project seeks to promote European standards in the field of justice, with a focus on promoting alternative dispute resolution. It will help to consolidate the capacity of state authorities, legal professionals, mediators, etc. with a view to harmonising the domestic legal and institutional frameworks to international good practices, and increasing the recourse to mediation in Azerbaijan. This project is implemented within the third Phase of the joint programme of the European Union and the Council of Europe's "Partnership for Good Governance". It builds on the results of the previous phases of the Partnership for Good Governance in the field of strengthening justice (Phase I 2015-2018 and Phase II 2019-2023).

Expected results:

1. Expert report on mediation statistics in Azerbaijan is provided with recommendations to adopt a standard system to gather statistics based on CEPEJ Mediation Baseline Statistics.
2. Capacities of the Mediation Council and mediators are strengthened through tailor-made capacity building measures, as well as competences of mediation trainers are increased to provide in depth trainings / Training of Trainers.
3. Knowledge and awareness of various mediation stakeholders is increased, including judges and lawyers, with a view to supporting the recourse to mediation and the dissemination of good practices.
4. A mediation pilot is established, and the results analysed.
5. Promotion and awareness plan on mediation in Azerbaijan is developed.

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