

Albanian Criminal Justice towards challenges of the European integration

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Abstract

The effectiveness of criminal justice constitutes one of the core criteria that Albania has to fulfil in order to join the European Union. In this context, the integration process requires Albania a good governance of the judiciary management bodies aiming at the independence, accountability, efficiency and transparency of the judiciary in addition to the fight against organized crime, modern slavery, terrorism, money laundering and confiscating assets of crimes, protection of victims of crimes, as well as crimes committed by high state officials, independent from any outside or inside inappropriate influence intensifying cooperation with region countries with the common goal.¹

The European Commission considers the rule of law to be 'the backbone of modern constitutional democracies'. Beyond Europe's borders, the rule of law has been recognised as a foundational value, and a central tenant of constitutional democracies. The rule of law can, and should, be correctly considered a fundamental and consensual element of Europe's constitutional heritage. European Union states and any European country if it respects the democratic values of the EU and is committed to promoting them.².

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