

Ref #	Project title		Administrative Procedure Code in Azerbaijan					
Center for International Legal Cooperation	Country	Overall project value (EUR)	Proportion carried out by candidate (%)	No. of staff provided	Name of client	Origin of funding	Dates (start/end)	Name of partners if any
Project code 31191	Azerbaijan	389,991 (This amount is only the Dutch contribution to the project)	100%	2	Ministry of Justice; Parliament; Civil Servants; Judiciary;	Embassy of the Netherlands in Tbilisi	July 2005 – Dec 2009	GTZ- Baku
Detailed description of project						Type of services provided		
<p>In the framework of the current project, Dutch, German and CoE's experts cooperated with Azerbaijani counterparts and assisted Azerbaijan in the process of introducing and implementing administrative law. The Azeri's have chosen to draft two administrative procedural laws i.e. an Azerbaijani Administrative Procedure Law (AAPL) and an Azerbaijani Administrative Court Procedure Code (AACPC).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Publication of the AAPL • Contribution to the drafting and publication of the AACPC. • Development and publication of commentaries on the newly adopted AAPL and the still to be developed AACPC • Organizing two conferences to acquaint Azeri legal professionals and civil servants with administrative law • Training of judges entrusted with administrative cases • Train the trainers for civil servants and the training of civil servants • Training of lawyers (to be implemented by ABA CEELI and financed by the OSCE) • Popularization campaign in order to inform the public at large and the legal professionals about the introduction and the implications of those new laws. 						<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • « Train the Trainer » program for civil servants • Training seminars for civil servants • Expert consultations during the drafting process of the APL and AACPC • Assistance by composing a commentary on the AAPL and AACPC • Promotion of the administrative legal reforms 		
Project Update (last update: 1 January 2010)						Key Experts		
<p>During the Inception Phase (X 2005- IV 2006) consultations and visits were organized. Four consultations were organized to support the process of legal drafting of the AACPC and APL IV 2007 until XII 2008. CILC and GTZ cooperated on the publication of the AACPC. Shortly after the adoption of the AAPL by the Parliament and the signature by the President of the Republic, CILC and GTZ agreed on the joint publication of the AAPL (early 2006). A commentary developed and published on the APL and on the AACPC after some delay due to the substantial changes to the draft of the AACPC after the first reading in the Parliament. The AACPC was adopted by the Parliament in 07.2009 and signed by the President on 01.01.2010. Train-the-trainers seminars were conducted for civil servants. In total around 16 trainers were trained, 8 by the CILC experts and 8 by the GTZ experts. Train-the-trainers seminars for judges suffered delays and were eventually cancelled due to the lack of decisions to appoint administrative judges. Three general seminars for civil servants were organized on 26th- 28th November 2007, 22nd- 23rd January 2008 and 27th and 28th June 2008. GTZ also conducted two training seminars for civil servants. The third Dutch and the two German seminars were conducted with the help of Azeri experts trained in the earlier seminars.</p> <p>On 3rd May 2006, GTZ and CILC organized the "International conference on administrative law and the rule law - reform of Administrative Law in Azerbaijan" in Baku. More than 80 high ranked civil servants from different Ministries and administrative bodies and other officials attended the conference. The conference was assessed to be a success as it increased the commitment to the project. On 15th -16th July 2006, GTZ and CILC organized a seminar for journalists in Nabran. Other promotion activities were: publication of two Information leaflets and one radio broadcasting.</p>						Professor Scheltema and other short-term experts.		