



# CILC

Center for  
International Legal  
Cooperation

## *What makes us unique*

### **Access to the Dutch justice sector**

We represent the entire legal community of the Netherlands and facilitate direct access to key institutions, such as the Dutch judiciary, the Ministry of Justice and law faculties throughout the Netherlands.

### **Guide to The Hague**

Known worldwide as the City of Peace and Justice, The Hague is home for over 160 international organisations. At the same time, it is seat to the Netherlands Government, judiciary institutions and other important actors of the Dutch justice sector.

### **Not-for-profit status**

CILC is a Dutch foundation and therefore not profit-but mission-driven. This allows us to combine performance and flexibility with full commitment to positive development outcomes and makes us more adaptable to building sustainable partnerships.

CILC supports justice reform processes and facilitates international legal cooperation. We provide advisory and capacity building services to strengthen justice sector public authorities, professional associations, training institutes and justice reform task forces in developing countries and countries in transition.

The mission of CILC is to promote the rule of law worldwide by initiating and implementing international cooperation projects. We share the Netherlands' experience in the legal sector and create enduring partnerships between Dutch and partner countries' legal institutions and organisations.

CILC is a Dutch not for profit organisation, based in The Hague, and is a mandated body for the implementation of EU twinning projects on behalf of the Ministry of Security and Justice in the Netherlands.

*We bridge demand and supply of capacity building for rule of law since 1985. Our experience spans the globe and all major thematic areas of the justice sector.*





## What we do

Management and implementation of projects acquired through public tendering on the international donor market, aimed at strengthening justice systems and the rule of law

Provision of services to Dutch government and executive agencies in the area of project and program management for justice and rule of law, including the promotion of The Hague, City of Peace and Justice

## Our approach

A new paradigm is slowly emerging in international development work, with more focus on respect for local culture, differences and resources, long term growth and quality assurance. Strengthening rule of law requires coherence, continuity, stability, time to grow and the most kind of special attention to local realities in order to yield the desired outcomes. At CILC, we believe in legal cooperation on an equal footing. In all projects and assignments we strive to take a balanced, open-minded position, without the intention of imposing our ideas on others. Staying true to this vision, we carefully select our partners from like-minded organisations with strong technical backgrounds.

Our approach is focused on building, reforming and strengthening rule of law and justice. Our international cooperation projects can deal with different sub-themes and can have various forms and dimensions, but CILC will always play the roles of facilitator and mediator. We are guiding our partners through processes of change and we distinguish ourselves from (semi)public institutions and organisations, as well as from research institutes and think tanks as it is our exclusive goal to support rule of law and justice in our partner countries.

CILC brings together practitioners to share good practices, to facilitate listening to and learning from each other. We create frameworks for exchanging different experiences and tools, linking them with real problems, and building in feedback loops and accountable working methods in a local and regional context. The added value of CILC is that we very well know from where to take good and bad practices and convert them for use in our target countries. On the basis of these practices and our comparative and practical knowledge of various systems, we develop together with our partners tailor-made solutions and subsequently help with their practical application.

## Selected ongoing projects in 2014

- ▶ **Moldova: Support to the enforcement, probation and rehabilitation systems in Moldova**, in partnership with GIZ (Germany), Penal Reform International (United Kingdom), Netherlands Helsinki Committee (the Netherlands), Institutul de Reforme Penale (Moldova)
- ▶ **Western Balkans: International cooperation on criminal justice: Prosecutors' network in the Western Balkans**, in partnership with GIZ (Germany) and UNODC (Austria)
- ▶ **Montenegro: Support to the probation service and the system for alternative sanctions**, in partnership with the Netherlands Helsinki Committee and the Netherlands Probation Service
- ▶ **Turkey: Improved Relations between Mass Media and Judiciary**, in partnership with the Netherlands Council for the Judiciary and IRZ (Germany)
- ▶ **Indonesia: Judicial sector support programme**, in partnership with LeP (Indonesia), the Netherlands Supreme Court, the Training and Study Centre for the Judiciary (the Netherlands) and the Netherlands Council for the Judiciary
- ▶ **Egypt, Jordan, Libya, Morocco and Tunisia: Matra South Training Programme Legislation**, in partnership with the Academy for Legislation (the Netherlands)
- ▶ **Bosnia and Herzegovina: Further strengthening asylum and migration management in Bosnia and Herzegovina**, in partnership with the Dutch Council for Refugees (the Netherlands) and the Dutch Immigration and Naturalisation Service
- ▶ **Albania: Consolidation of the justice system in Albania (EURALIUS IV)**, in partnership with IRZ (Germany) and AED (Austria)

## Who we work with in target countries

