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**Enhancing the Current
Reform of the Court System
and the Implementation
Process as well as the
Efficiency of Justice**

OR

**MODERNISATION OF
CIVIL PROCEDURE RULES
PROJECT**

Start date: 28.01.2020

End date: 27.01.2022

Budget: 570,991 EUR

Funded: EC DG-Reform

Implemented: CoE

Beneficiary: Supreme Court of Cyprus

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MODERNISATION OF CIVIL PROCEDURE RULES PROJECT



Component I:
Adoption of the
new Rules



Component III:
Reforms change
management



Component II:
Communication



Component
IV: Trainings

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Component I

Adoption of the new Rules on Civil Procedure

Missing chapters prepared (Admiralty,
Commercial Courts, Appeals)

Forms prepared (100)

CPR text finalised

CPR and Forms translated into Greek

CPR Adopted by the SC (May 2021)

CPR and Forms final version in English proofread

Component II: Communication

Study Visit

- January 2019

Survey

- quantitative:
 - 500 lawyers
 - 32 questions
- qualitative:
 - 50 lawyers

Communication strategy

- Re Judicial Reform

HL conferences

- For Lawyers
03.03.2021
 - 166 participants
- For judges
10.03.2021
 - 119 participants

Interviews and articles

- Director of Reform of SC
- Director General of MoF
- CBA President (planned)
- Leading Trainer (planned)
- EC representative (planned)

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Component III

Reforms Change Management

Change Management Assessment

Change Management Strategy

Initial Coaching

Final coaching

Reform monitoring (KPIs)

Component IV

Trainings

training of trainers (4 sessions, planned 1)

trainings for judges (3 groups of 50, 2 sessions,
planned: 150 in 3 groups of 1 session)

trainings for registrars (1 trainings for 34)

trainings for courts administration staff (2
trainings for 132 persons)

trainings for lawyers (10 sessions for 50 (each),
planned 5 sessions for 50 (each))

PROJECT WORKPLAN ADJUSTMENT:

Difficulties
encountered

■ Difficulties during implementation

1. COVID-19 – meetings and travels
2. Translation – more difficult than expected
3. Forms finalization – expert withdrew
4. Backlog
5. Long-term sustainability of trainings

■ Mitigation

1. On-line format
2. Co-ordination
3. Innovative approach: establishment of Forms sub-committee
4. Action Plan for Backlog by CEPEJ
5. Trainers working groups