# FINANCING AGREEMENT SPECIAL CONDITIONS

The European Commission, hereinafter referred to as "the Commission", acting on behalf of the European Union, hereinafter referred to as "the EU",

of the one part, and

the Government of the Republic of Moldova, hereinafter referred to as "the Partner",

of the other part,

have agreed as follows:

#### Article 1 - Nature of the action

1.1. The EU agrees to finance and the Partner agrees to accept the financing of the following action:

Title: Support for the Implementation of the EU-Moldova Association Agreement CRIS decision number: ENI/2018/041-302; ENI/ 2018/041-547

This action is financed from the EU Budget under the following basic act: European Neighbourhood Instrument.

1.2. The total estimated cost of this action is EUR 10 700 000 and the maximum EU contribution to this action is set at EUR 9 250 000.

The Partner shall not co-finance the action.

The action is co-financed in joint co-financing by UN Women and estimated cofinancing by potential grant beneficiaries. The breakdown of this financial contribution is shown in Annex I (Technical and Administrative Provisions).

#### Article 2 – Execution period

- 2.1. The execution period of this Financing Agreement as defined in Article 15 of Annex II (General Conditions) shall commence on the entry into force of this Financing Agreement and end 84 months after this date.
- 2.2. The duration of the operational implementation period is fixed at 60 months.
- 2.3. The duration of the closure period is fixed at 24 months.

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#### Article 3 – Addresses

All communications concerning the implementation of this Financing Agreement shall be in writing, shall refer expressly to this action as identified in Article 1.1 of these Special Conditions and shall be sent to the following addresses:

#### a) for the Commission

Mr Peter MICHALKO Head of the EU Delegation to the Republic of Moldova 12, Kogalniceanu Street MD-2001 Chisinau Republic of Moldova

#### b) for the Partner

Ms Maia SANDU Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova 1, Piata Marii Adunari Nationale MD-2001 Chisinau Republic of Moldova

#### Article 4 – OLAF contact point

The contact point of the Partner having the appropriate powers to cooperate directly with the European Anti-Fraud Office (OLAF) in order to facilitate OLAF's operational activities shall be:

Mr Valeriu CUPCEA, Head of the International Cooperation Directorate, National Anti-corruption Centre, 198, Stefan cel Mare Ave., MD-2004, Chisinau, Republic of Moldova Tel: +373 22 257 351 Mobile: +373 797 43 505 E-mail: valeriu.cupcea@cna.md

#### Article 5 - Annexes

5.1. This Financing Agreement is composed of:

(a) these Special Conditions;

(b) Annex I: Technical and Administrative Provisions, detailing the objectives, expected results, activities, description of the budget-implementation tasks entrusted and budget of this Action;

(c) Annex II: General Conditions;

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(d) Annex III: Reporting Template - not applicable to and not included in this Financing Agreement.

(e) Annex IV: Management Declaration Template - not applicable to and not included in this Financing Agreement.

5.2. In the event of a conflict between, on the one hand, the provisions of the Annexes and, on the other hand, the provisions of these Special Conditions, the latter shall take precedence. In the event of a conflict between, on the one hand, the provisions of Annex I (Technical and Administrative Provisions) and, on the other hand, the provisions of Annex II (General Conditions), the latter shall take precedence.

#### Article 6 - Entry into force

This Financing Agreement shall enter into force on the date on which the Commission receives a notification from the Partner confirming the completion of the internal procedures of the Partner necessary for its entry into force. The Commission shall inform the Partner of the date of the receipt of this notification. This Financing Agreement shall not enter into force if such a notification is not received by the Commission by at the latest, 31 December 2019. In this case, the entry into force upon receipt of the notification of the ratification shall constitute the conclusion of the financing agreement referred to in Article 114(2) of the 2018 Financial Regulation and it must occur by the 31 of December 2019.

Done in two original copies, one copy being handed to the Commission and one to the Partner.

For the Partner Country:

For the Commission:

H.E. Maia SANDU

Prime Minister of the Republic of Moldova

Mr Lawrence MEREDITH

Director Neighbourhood East and Institution Building

Directorate-General for Neighbourhood and Enlargement Negotiations

Q.Q. VASSILIS TLARAGOS

Signature:

Date:

17/07/2019

Signature:

24/07/2019

Date:

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# ANNEX 1: Technical and Administrative Provisions

1. Title/basic act/ CRIS number	Support for the Implementation of the EU-Moldova Association Agreement				
	CRIS number: ENI/2018 /041-3	02; ENI/ 2018/041-547			
	financed under European Neighl	pourhood Instrument			
2. Zone benefiting	Republic of Moldova				
from the action/location	The action shall be carried ou territory of the Republic of Mole	t at the following location: the whole dova			
3. Programming document	Single Support Framework for EU support to the Republic of Moldova 2017-2020				
4. Sector of concentration/ thematic area	Complementary support	pport DEV. Aid: YES			
5. Amounts	Total estimated cost: EUR 10 70	00 000			
concerned	Total amount of EU budget contribution EUR 9 250 000				
	This action is co-financed in joint co-financing by UN Women for an amount of EUR 250 000				
	Estimated co-financing by potential grant beneficiaries: EUR 1 200 000				
6. Aid modality(ies) and	Direct management (grants - direct award) Direct management – Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport				
implementation	and Culture				
modality(ies)	Indirect management with an international organisation (United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women))				
7 a) DAC code(s)	150 GOVERNMENT AND CIVIL SOCIETY				
	151 Government and civil society, general				
	15170 Women's equality organisations and institutions				
A grand and and a	15180 Ending violence against women and girls				
b) Main Delivery Channel	42000 European Commission				
Channel	41146 UNWOMEN				

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8. Markers (from CRIS DAC form)	General policy objective	Not targeted	Significant objective	Main objective
	Participation development/good governance		Х	
	Aid to environment	Х		
	Gender equality (including Women In Development)			Х
	Trade Development	Х		
	Reproductive, Maternal, New born and child health	Х		
in the set of	RIO Convention markers	Not targeted	Significant objective	Main objective
	Biological diversity	Х		
	Combat desertification	Х		
	Climate change mitigation	Х		
	Climate change adaptation	Х		
9. Global Public Goods and Challenges (GPGC) thematic flagships	N/A		*	
10. SDGs	Goal 5: Achieve gender equality and empower all women and gir			

#### SUMMARY

The EU-Moldova Association Agreement highlights the need for key priority reforms in democracy, the rule of law, human rights and fundamental freedoms, good governance, a functioning market economy and sustainable development. This Programme is in line with the Eastern Partnership priorities, the objectives of the 2017-2020 Single Support Framework (SSF) for Moldova<sup>1</sup>, the European Union – Moldova Association Agreement<sup>2</sup> and the related Association Agenda<sup>3</sup>. It will also support the implementation of the Eastern Partnership's "20 Deliverables for 2020"<sup>4</sup>. The proposed activities will support the implementation of the priorities identified in the European Joint Development Cooperation Strategy (Joint Programming Document).

The proposed "Support for the Implementation of the EU-Moldova Association Agreement" is funded under the heading of complementary measures of the Single Support Framework dedicated to the implementation of priority commitments deriving from the EU Association Agreement.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Single Support Framework for EU support to Moldova (2017-2020): https://ec.europa.eu/neighbourhoodenlargement/sites/near/files/single support framework 2017-2020.pdf

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The Association Agreement between the European Union and the European Atomic Energy Community and their Member States, of the one part, and the Republic of Moldova, of the other part. OJ L 260, 30.8.2014, p. 4. <sup>3</sup> OJ L 215, 19.8.2017, p3

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Eastern Partnership - 20 Deliverables for 2020 Focusing on key priorities and tangible results: https://eeas.europa.eu/sites/eeas/files/swd 2017 300 fl joint staff working paper en v5 pl 940530.pdf

The Programme addresses two areas: (i) Moldova's participation in EU programmes; and (ii) gender equality (including support for Civil Society Organisations).

The assistance will aim to support governmental institutions in participating in joint projects under EU programmes. The action intends as well to support the Government and Local Public Authorities in addressing gender equality at national and local levels, as well as providing better services to the victims of domestic violence. Empowerment of Civil Society Organizations working in gender equality and fight against domestic violence will be sought.

# **1 DESCRIPTION OF THE ACTION**

# 1.1 Objectives/results

This programme is relevant for the Agenda 2030. It contributes primarily to the progressive achievement of SDG Goal 5, but also promotes progress towards Goals 3, and 4. This does not imply a commitment by the Republic of Moldova benefiting from this programme.

The **overall objective** is to support the implementation of the EU-Moldova Association Agreement.

The **specific objectives** (SO) of the action are:

**SO1**: To support participation of Moldova in EU Programmes.

**SO2**: To promote gender equality and women's empowerment through strengthened implementation of gender mainstreaming in local public policies, and to combat domestic violence affecting women and children.

The Action will achieve the following **results**:

Result 1: Moldova's participation in EU programmes is enhanced.

**Result 2**: Gender equality is promoted and mainstreamed in local policy-making and decision taking.

**Result 3**: Victims of domestic violence have greater access to effective survivor-focused multi-disciplinary services and violence prevention is piloted in local schools and communities.

# 1.2 Main activities

# Under SO 1/Result 1

# **Component 1: Increased participation of Moldova in EU programmes**

# Activity 1.1: Reimbursement of participation fees

The support will be provided as a reimbursement of up to 50% of the "entry ticket" (yearly fees for the EU programmes for which a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is in force).

The participation of the beneficiary in EU programmes and agencies shall follow the specific terms and conditions set out for each such programme/agency in the MoU.

Participation in other internal EU programmes will be explored according to the priorities expressed by the beneficiary, its financial possibilities, and the needs in the relevant sectors. An ongoing dialogue with the Moldovan authorities is underway in order to identify sectors for future cooperation in this matter.

#### Activity 1.2: Top-up of the participation in Erasmus+ programme

The support will take the form of an increase of the number of ICM mobility opportunities available for the Higher Education Institutions of the Republic of Moldova participating in Key Action 1 of the Erasmus+ programme, promoting the international exchange of students and staff between institutions in Erasmus+ Programme and Partner Countries.

#### Under SO2/Result 2 and Result 3

#### **Component 2: Strengthened Gender capacity**

#### Activity 2.1: Gender mainstreaming at local level

The support is expected to contribute to the consolidation and fortification of gender mainstreaming at the local level, in line with the provisions of the *National Strategy to Ensure Equality between women and men in the Republic of Moldova* for the years 2017-2021. This activity will be focused in selected municipalities and synergised with "Inclusive economic empowerment of focal regions of Moldova" Action Document.

The intervention seeks:

- to train elected and appointed representatives of the Local Public Authorities (LPAs) on gender equality and gender mainstreaming and its implication for decisions taken by the LPAs;
- to support LPAs to contribute to the principles of The European Charter for Equality of Women and Men in Local Life;
- to raise the capacities and knowledge on women's rights of local CSOs which advocate for gender equality;
- to raise awareness and educate continuously the public from the selected regions in the culture of gender equality and empower women in local decision-making processes.

#### Activity 2.2: Combatting domestic violence against women and children

The proposed intervention addressing domestic violence against women and children will build on the previously EU supported actions, particularly on improving the capacity and assessment tools of multi-disciplinary specialised response and services. Special attention will be paid to sexual forms of violence in domestic violence, as this area has not yet been covered by any action or donor.

The intervention seeks:

 to strengthen the capacities and inter-sectorial cooperation of service providers and multidisciplinary teams (in the areas of police, health, justice and social services) to address existing barriers to effective protection of women/ children victims of domestic violence, and prosecution of perpetrators;

- to establish a specialised service for the victims of sexual violence based on the existing service provide by the multi-disciplinary teams and shelter;
- to empower domestic violence survivors, in reaching out to employment and income generating activities;
- to pilot violence prevention programmes in schools and in communities to promote gender equality, respectful relations and a life free of violence for women and men, girls and boys.
- to raise the capacities and knowledge on women's rights of local CSOs that advocate for zero tolerance to domestic violence

A grant scheme will be provided to civil society organizations in the regions targeted under this Component so that they can implement awareness campaigns and actions on gender equality, women's rights and on zero tolerance to violence against women and domestic violence by targeting local communities and policy makers. This effort will enhance the impact of gender mainstreaming in LPAs and increase awareness towards preventing and combating violence against women and children.

Given the narrow specialization and scarcity of capacities of CSO at the local level, a combination of local and national CSO will be sought to partner with and sub-grant funds. Relevant proper capacity development will be built into the programme to ensure capacities increase.

Synergies will be sought with the on-going EU Budget Support for the Police Sector Reform (AAP2015), which also foresees strengthening the capacities of the police to fight against all forms of violence, including violence against women and children.

# 1.3 Intervention logic

This action is aimed at creating the necessary conditions for effective implementation of the EU-Moldova Association Agreement, particularly through targeted assistance in the area of gender equality. The action will also support the participation of Moldova in EU horizontal programmes.

# **2 IMPLEMENTATION**

# 2.1 Implementation modalities

The envisaged assistance to the Republic of Moldova is deemed to follow the conditions and procedures set out by the restrictive measures adopted pursuant to Article 215 TFEU<sup>5</sup>.

# **2.1.1** Grant: direct award for participation of Moldova in EU Programmes (direct management)

(a) Objectives of the grant, fields of intervention, priorities of the year and expected results

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> https://eeas.eu/pa.eu/headquarters/headquarters-homepage/8442/consolidated-list-sanctions\_en

The objective is to support the participation of Moldova in the EU Programmes "Horizon 2020", COSME, Creative Europe and Health for Growth for the years 2018-2019. This will be achieved by means of reimbursement of 50% of the annual participation fee required from Moldova as a contribution to each of the programmes' budget. Payment will be made on biannual basis after receiving evidence of the payment of the total fee for the corresponding year. No pre-financing is foreseen under this scheme.

The participation of Moldova in EU programmes shall follow the specific terms and conditions set out for each such programme/agency in the MoU.

The reimbursement will be subject of an annual executive report provided by the Government reflecting the fulfilment of minimum conditions set-up in each Memorandum of Understanding as well as performance indicators of the previous grants.

(b) Justification of a direct grant

Under the responsibility of the Commission's authorising officer responsible, the grant may be awarded without a call for proposals to the relevant institution under the Government of Moldova. The recourse to an award of a grant without a call for proposals is justified because, the action has specific characteristics requiring a specific type of beneficiary for its technical competence, specialisation or administrative power. The relevant grant beneficiary institutions are designated by Moldova in each respective memorandum of Understanding for being in charge of the respective EU programme.

(d) Essential selection and award criteria

The essential award criterion is the relevance of the proposed action to the objectives, results and activities as described in sections 4.1 and 4.2 above.

(e) Maximum rate of co-financing

The maximum possible rate of co-financing for this grant is 50%.

(f) Indicative trimester to conclude the grant agreement - Q2 2019

Subject in generic terms, if possible	Type (works, supplies, services)	Indicative number of contracts	
Evaluation, audit	Services	2	Q2 2025

# 2.1.2 Procurement (direct management)

# 2.1.3 Moldova's participation in Erasmus+ programme - Direct management by Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (DG EAC)

A part of this action will be implemented through direct management for the administration of the 'International Credit Mobility' action under the Erasmus+ programme in which Moldova participates. The management will be delegated to the European Commission Directorate-General for Education, Youth, Sport and Culture (EAC).

The implementation method via a network of Erasmus+ National Agencies (NA) is justified because NA are responsible for the implementation of the Erasmus+ International Credit Mobility scheme and this component will be implemented as a window of the Erasmus+ Programme. This will provide the fastest and most effective response, given that it combines already tested mobility activities integrated into an already existing programme, with established sustainable structures.

The NA will be responsible for the management of this component under the same implementation methods as the foreseen in the Erasmus+ Programme Guide, under the supervision of DG EAC. As contracting authority, the NA will be responsible for the selection/evaluation/award procedure.

(a) Objectives of the grants, fields of intervention, priorities of the year and expected results

As defined in section 4 above.

(b) Eligibility conditions

As defined by the Erasmus+ Programme Guide.

(c) Essential selection and award criteria

As defined by the Erasmus+ Programme Guide.

(d) Maximum rate of co-financing

As defined by the Erasmus+ Programme Guide.

(e) Indicative timing to launch the call

2nd half of 2018, 2nd half of 2019.

# 2.1.4 Indirect management with an international organisation: United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN Women)

A part of this action will be implemented through indirect management with UN Women. This implementation entails provision of capacity building, knowledge on gender equality and coaching activities to local public authorities, as well as provision of grants to civil society organisations. Implementation through UN Women is justified because of sector and thematic expertise in the proposed area, as well as the logistical and management capacities to carry out the proposed activities.

UN Women is the UN agency dedicated to gender equality and the empowerment of women. The proposed project is consistent with both, the overall mandate of UN Women and with its specific engagement with Moldova, as set out in its Strategic Note 2018-2022.

The entrusted entity would carry out the following budget-implementation tasks: organising the public procurement, grant award procedures; concluding and managing the resulting contracts, including making of the related payments.

# 2.2 Scope of geographical eligibility for procurement and grants

The geographical eligibility in terms of place of establishment for participating in procurement and grant award procedures and in terms of origin of supplies purchased as established in the basic act and set out in the relevant contractual documents shall apply.

The Commission's authorising officer responsible may extend the geographical eligibility in accordance with Article 9(2)(b) of Regulation (EU) No 236/2014 on the basis of urgency or of unavailability of products and services in the markets of the countries concerned, or in other duly substantiated cases where the eligibility rules would make the realization of this action impossible or exceedingly difficult.

# 2.3 Indicative budget

	EU contribution (amount in EUR)	Indicative third party contributio n, in EUR
5.3.1.1 – Direct grant for participation of Moldova in EU programmes (direct management)	1,200,000	1,200,000
5.3.1.3 – Direct management by DG EAC	2,850,000	N.A
5.3.1.4. – Indirect management with UN Women	5,000,000	250,000
2.6 – Evaluation, 5.9 - Audit	200,000	N.A.
Totals	9,250,000	1,450,000

# 2.4 Organisational set-up and responsibilities

For the activities of the Action a multi-stakeholder approach will be followed to ensure wide consensus.

The main counterparts of this action will be the Ministry of Finance, Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection, the Ministry of Education and Research and relevant local authorities.

A Project Steering Committee will be established under Component 2. The Delegation of the European Union to Moldova, together with the implementing partner, UN Women, will cochair the Project Steering Committee for Component 2. The Project Steering Committee will include the Delegation of the European Union to Moldova, the implementing partner, UN Women, representatives of the Ministry of Health, Labour and Social Protection and of the targeted LPAs. The Project Steering Committee will meet every six months, or more frequently if required.

# 2.5 Performance monitoring and reporting

The day-to-day technical and financial monitoring of the implementation of this action will be a continuous process and part of the implementing partner's responsibilities. To this aim, the implementing partner shall establish a permanent internal, technical and financial monitoring system for the action and elaborate regular progress reports (not less than annual) and final reports. Every report shall provide an accurate account of implementation of the action, difficulties encountered, changes introduced, as well as the degree of achievement of its results (outputs and direct outcomes) as measured by corresponding indicators, using as reference the logframe matrix (for project modality) or the list of result indicators (for budget support). The report shall be laid out in such a way as to allow monitoring of the means envisaged and employed and of the budget details for the action. The final report, narrative and financial, will cover the entire period of the action implementation.

The Commission may undertake additional project monitoring visits both through its own staff and through independent consultants recruited directly by the Commission for independent monitoring reviews (or recruited by the responsible agent contracted by the Commission for implementing such reviews).

# 2.6 Evaluation

Having regard to the importance of the action, an ex-post evaluation will be carried out for this action or its components via independent consultants contracted by the Commission.

It will be carried out for accountability and learning purposes at various levels (including for policy revision), taking into account in particular the fact that part of the action will be implementation of innovative or pilot activities.

The Commission shall inform the implementing partner at least 3 months in advance of the dates foreseen for the evaluation missions. The implementing partner shall collaborate efficiently and effectively with the evaluation experts, and inter alia provide them with all necessary information and documentation, as well as access to the project premises and activities.

The evaluation reports shall be shared with the partner country and other key stakeholders. The implementing partner and the Commission shall analyse the conclusions and recommendations of the evaluations and, where appropriate, in agreement with the partner country, jointly decide on the follow-up actions to be taken and any adjustments necessary, including, if indicated, the reorientation of the project.

Indicatively, one contract for evaluation services shall be concluded under a framework contract in Q2 of 2025.

# 2.7 Audit

Without prejudice to the obligations applicable to contracts concluded for the implementation of this action, the Commission may, on the basis of a risk assessment, contract independent audits or expenditure verification assignments for one or several contracts or agreements.

Indicatively, one contract for audit services shall be concluded under a framework contract in Q2 2025.

#### 2.8 Communication and visibility

Communication and visibility of the EU is a legal obligation for all external actions funded by the EU.

This action shall contain communication and visibility measures, which shall be based on a specific Communication and Visibility Plan of the Action, to be elaborated at the start of implementation. Communication and visibility activities related to the expected results of this programme will be foreseen under each of the contracts.

In terms of legal obligations on communication and visibility, the measures shall be implemented by the Commission, the partner country, contractors, grant beneficiaries and/or entrusted entities. Appropriate contractual obligations shall be included in, respectively, the financing agreement, procurement and grant contracts, and delegation agreements.

The Communication and Visibility Requirements for European Union External Action shall be used to establish the Communication and Visibility Plan of the Action and the appropriate contractual obligations.

As part of the Financing Agreement, the Moldovan government undertakes to ensure that the visibility of the EU contribution is given appropriate coverage in the various publicity media.

Visibility and communication actions shall demonstrate how the intervention contributes to the agreed programme objectives. Actions shall be aimed at strengthening general public awareness of interventions financed by EU and the objectives pursued. The actions shall aim at highlighting to the relevant target audiences the added value and impact of the EU's interventions. Visibility actions should also promote transparency and accountability on the use of funds.

Communication and visibility measures for the project activities under this Action Document will be reinforced, coordinated and implemented through the Action Document for Strategic communication and media support, which is part of the Annual Action Programme 2017 for the benefit of Moldova.

With regards to the Neighbourhood East, all EU-supported actions shall be aimed at increasing the awareness level of the target audiences on the connections, the outcome, and the final practical benefits for citizens of EU assistance provided in the framework of this action. Visibility actions should also promote transparency and accountability on the use of funds.

Outreaching/awareness raising activities will play a crucial part in the implementation of the Action. The implementation of the communication activities shall be the responsibility of the implementing organisations and shall be funded from the amounts allocated to the Action.

All necessary measures will be taken to publicise the fact that the action has received funding from the EU in line with the Communication and Visibility Manual for EU External Actions. Additional Visibility Guidelines developed by the Commission (European Neighbourhood Policy and Enlargement Negotiations) will be strictly adhered to.

This action will be communicated externally as part of a wider context of EU support to the country, and where relevant to the Eastern Partnership region in order to enhance the

effectiveness of communication activities and to reduce fragmentation in the area of EU communication.

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# APPENDIX - INDICATIVE LOGFRAME MATRIX (FOR PROJECT MODALITY)<sup>6</sup>

The activities, the expected outputs and all the indicators, targets and baselines included in the logframe matrix are indicative and may be updated during the implementation of the action, no amendment being required to the financing decision. When it is not possible to determine the outputs of an action at formulation stage, intermediary outcomes should be presented and the outputs defined during inception of the overall programme and its components. The indicative logframe matrix will evolve during the lifetime of the action: new lines will be added for including the activities as well as new columns for intermediary targets (milestones) for the output and outcome indicators whenever it is relevant for monitoring and reporting purposes. Note also that indicators should be disaggregated by sex whenever relevant.

	Results chain	Indicators	Baselines (incl. reference year)	Targets (incl. reference year)	Sources and means of verification	Assumptions
Overall objective: Impact	To support the implementation of the Association Agreement	The Government meets the targets and provisions in the AA pertaining to commitments linked to the actions set out in this Action Document	As defined in relevant articles of the AA	As defined in relevant articles of the AA	Reports from the MoFAEI Council Conclusions on the Republic of Moldova (Annual Reports)	
ective(s):	SO1/Outcome1: Moldova's participation in EU programmes is enhanced	Continuous active participation of Moldova in EU programmes and Agencies	5 programmes (2018)	5 or more programmes (2021)	Government Annual Reports Number of invoices submitted and paid Reports from EU Programmes and Agencies and/or coordinating structures	The Moldovan Government is able to maintain its contributions (entry fees) to EU Agencies and Programmes
Specific objective(s): Outcome(s)	SO2/Outcome2: Gender equality is mainstreamed in local policy-making and decision taking	Number of LPAs having policies and budgets developed and adopted, in accordance with an	0 (2018)	10 (2021)	Programme reports LPAs decisions (protocols, budgets, plans)	The national and local authorities continue to be supportive of

<sup>6</sup> Mark indicators aligned with the relevant programming document mark with '\*' and indicators aligned to the EU Results Framework with '\*\*'.

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		inclusive and evidence- based approach, complying with gender mainstreaming approach in selected regions				the goals of gender equality and non- discrimination
	SO2/Outcome3: Victims of domestic, including sexual, violence have greater access to quality services, as well as violence prevention is piloted in local schools and communities.	Existence of sustainable, specialized, quality and coordinated services to victims of domestic, ircluding sexual, violence in selected regions, in line with international standards	Non-existent (2018)	Specialized services exist in at least one pilot region (2021)	Programme reports Reports on pilot actions	Individual women and women's groups are willing and able to participate in programme activities
Outputs	Stable number of Moldovan bodies participating in EU Programmes	Number of Moldovan bodies participating in EU Programmes	5 (2018)	5 or more (2021)	Government Annual Reports Number of invoices submitted and paid Reports from EU Programmes and/or coordinating structures	Moldovan bodies are able to develop piroject ideas to EU Programmes, which are judged worthy of collaboration
<u> </u>	Gender mainstreaming of public policies	Number of LPAs having Public policies gender mainstreamed	0 (2018)	10 (2021)	Programme reports LPAs decisions (protocols, budgets, plans)	The local authorities will after the training have sufficiently staff capable of including gender mainstreaming

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	1				decision making.
Range of quality services for women victims domestic, including sexual, violence developed	Number of multidisciplinary teams with strengthened	0 (2018)	6 (2021)	Programme reports Reports on pilot actions	Local authorities and civil society
	capacities to respond effectively to cases of violence against women and children				organisations are willing and have adequate resources to provide services to women suffering from domestic, including sexual, violence
Secondary schools and media have staff trained to plan and implement violence prevention programmes	Number of institutions that foster beliefs and behaviours that oppose gender based violence and gives support to victims and gender equality	0 (2018)	30 (2021)	Implementing partner reports	Secondary schools and communities are willing to participate in the pilot initiatives