

# JUDICIARY AND RULE OF LAW IN UKRAINE



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# JUDICIARY

4 tiers

763 courts

7600 judges

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Balance of trust<sup>1</sup>:

- 72% (0,7 trust completely, 8% trust somewhat, 81% - do not)

- 46% think reform is necessary
- 46% support radical change

<sup>1</sup>DIF, 2015 <http://www.dif.org.ua/ua/polls/2015a/mcvlsdmvpwdlpgvbk.htm>

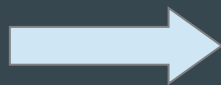
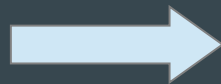
# PROBLEMS

Corruption (94%)

Dependence (80%)

Impunity (73%)

Complexity (50%)



# REFORM

Independence of courts and judges

Accountability of judges

Renewal of the judiciary

Redrafting of judicial map

# WHAT IS DONE

- Law “On Restoration of Trust to the Judiciary” (April 2014)
- Law “On Assuring the Right to a Fair Trial” (February 2015)
- Amendments to the Constitution,
- Law “On Judiciary and Status of Judges” (June 2016)

# WHAT IS TO BE DONE

New Constitutional Court Law

New Law on Bar

Restart Prosecution Reform

Create Anticorruption Court

Law on Legal Education and Legal Profession

New Procedural Codes (e-court etc.)



# CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS

More independence to judges

High Council of Justice (11/21)

Limiting immunity; more accountable (assets)

New Supreme Court

# NEW SUPREME COURT

120+ Judges

Selected by High Qualification Commission of  
Judges

+Public Integrity Council

# PUBLIC INTEGRITY COUNCIL

20 members: lawyers, journalists

Review integrity and professional ethics

Negative conclusion – 2/3 majority in the HQCJ

## SO FAR

382 candidates reviewed

142 negative conclusions

Only 25 (17,6%) banned by the HQCJ

# PROSECUTION

Soviet  
*Prokuratura*



European  
Prosecution  
Service

# ANTICORRUPTION COURT

NABU



SAPO



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# LEGAL EDUCATION AND ACCESS TO LEGAL PROFESSION

147 “law  
schools”



Fewer law  
schools

Bar  
exam

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