





Report: Study Visit to Croatia – 26th-28th of April 2010

15 May 2010

Technical Assistance for Civil Society Organisations (TACSO) project is a regional European Commission project. The main purpose of project is to increase and improve the capacities of CSOs and to improve the democratic role of CSOs. TACSO is providing support to the Department for Registration and Liaison with NGOs — Ministry of Public Administration in Kosovo. This support is done with the final objective of the amendment of the Kosovo Law no. 03/L-134 on the Freedom of Association in Non-Governmental Organisations, ensure civic participation in this process and enable public debates on discussing the reviewed and finalized law as well as addressing the role and cooperation of Department for Registration and liaison with NGOs.

Following the request of Department for Registration and liaison with NGOs, TACSO Kosovo Office enabled a Study Visit to Croatia with a focus of visiting the Croatian Government Office for Cooperation with NGOs to study and touch base the overall functioning of this entity, mandate and its liaison role. Other institutions and legal environment will also be studied to explore possibilities of the adoption of Croatian practices to Kosovo needs. Findings and results of this visit will be presented in a report and reflected in the reviewed draft law.

Therefore, a group of five (5) key persons in the functioning environment of the civil society in Kosovo Mr. Bajram Kosumi, Director of the Department for Registration and Liaison with NGOs, Ministry of Public Administration, Mr. Sylejman Gashi, Director of the Legal Department, Ministry of Public Administration, Mr. Besim Kajtazi, Director of the Legal office, Office of the Prime Minister, Ms. Venera Hajrullahu, Executive Director of the Kosovar Civil Society Foundation and Mr. Kushtrim Kaloshi, Executive Director of the Advocacy Training Resource Center visited abovementioned Croatian institutions during the days of 26-27 and the morning of the 28th of April 2009.

Below is table of the activities and meetings conducted during this visit.







Activity table of the Kosovo Delegation Study Visit to Croatia 26-27-28 April 2010

20-27-28 April 2010			
			Meeting details
Monday 26 th of April	10:00- 12:00	-Head of the Government's Office for Cooperation with NGOs -Head of International Cooperation Department -Head of department for Liaison with the Croatian National Council for NGOs	MR. Igor Vidaćak - -
	15:30-17:00	Meeting with – GONG	MRS. Sandra Pernar MR. Dragan Zelić
Tuesday 27 th of April	10:00-11:30	Green Action	MRS. Željka Leljak- Gracin
	14:00-15:00	Croatian Association of Guide Dog and Mobility	Mrs. Mira Katalenić
Wednesday 28 th	of April		
	09:00- 10:300	Ministry of Public Administration Entity that does the registration of NGOs	MRS. Mirjana Švajcer
	11:00-12:30	Parliament Committee on Human and National Minority Rights Parliament of Croatia	MR. Furio Radin