

GENERAL INFORMATION

 Represented countries: Azerbaijan, Georgia, the Kyrgyz Republic, Moldova, Ukraine, Uzbekistan, (World Bank)

Problems with implementing modern international practices in accounting and reporting

- Presence of a political decision and of the relevant support to conversion to international standards
- Changes in the current methodology of accounting and reporting in the public sector
- Problem with lack of qualified specialists related to accounting and reporting in the public sector
- Problems of automation of accounting and reporting

Political decision and support

- Analysis and choice of international standards based on the national specifics – and is it really necessary to convert ?
- The criteria on the basis of which a decision is made with respect to conversion
 - A cash method /accrual method;
 - The national / international standards

The methodology:

Changes in the normative base, including the following:

elaboration of the unified Chart of Accounts

Methodological recommendations/manuals on application

forms/ formats of financial reporting

The accounting policy

Human resources

 Not only accountants and specialists of the Ministry of Finance and of the Treasury, but everybody who is dealing with financial reporting (external and internal auditors, members of the Parliament, instructors)

 Creation of incentives for qualified personnel (a possibility of career growth, material incentives (bonuses), stability of service)

- Education professional and higher\
 - Curriculum and text books
- Scholarships for students whose major is "Public Finance"
- The system of certification
- The Center for Professional Advancement under the Ministry of Finance
- Automation of accounting and reporting

Problems of automation:

- Financial and human resources are needed
- Time for implementation
- Choosing a supplier of the software product
- Pilot approach
- Experience of other countries