

A New Step towards the Digital Transformation of the Constitutional Court: Launch of the Project to Strengthen Constitutional Justice

On 23 September 2026, the Constitutional Court took part in the official launch of the Council of Europe project **“Strengthening Constitutional Justice and Human Rights in Albania”**, funded by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA).

The project is designed to support the Constitutional Court in further enhancing the effectiveness, efficiency and accessibility of constitutional justice. Particular emphasis is placed on the development of a new digital case management and archiving system, as well as on providing methodological support and research tools for the Directorate of Research, Studies and Publications.

In their opening remarks, Ms Lilja Grétarsdóttir, Head of the Human Rights and Justice Cooperation Department at the Council of Europe, and H.E. Mr Niklas Ström, Ambassador of Sweden to Albania, reaffirmed their continued support for the Constitutional Court. They highlighted the importance of strengthening institutional capacities and advancing digital modernization as essential elements in ensuring the effective application of constitutional standards and the protection of fundamental rights and freedoms.

Emphasising the significance of the project, the President of the Constitutional Court, Ms Fiona Papajorgji, noted that it is closely aligned with the Court’s vision of becoming a more accessible, transparent and modern institution. She underlined that digital transformation can contribute not only to improving the quality and efficiency of the Court’s work, but also to strengthening public confidence in constitutional justice.

The discussions provided an opportunity to exchange experiences and good practices concerning the digital transformation of the Constitutional Courts of Türkiye and Kosovo. They also focused on the specific needs of the Constitutional Court of Albania, the priority functionalities of the future system, and the ways in which technology can more effectively support the work of judges, legal advisers and administrative staff.

Following the event, Ms Grétarsdóttir visited the Constitutional Court and met with the President and the judges of the Court. The discussions focused on the Court’s institutional priorities and the next steps in its cooperation with the Council of Europe. The judges also underscored the importance of continued support from international partners in strengthening the role and institutional authority of the Constitutional Court.

This cooperation represents a further important step towards a more modern, efficient and accessible Constitutional Court, capable of responding effectively to contemporary challenges and of further strengthening the protection of fundamental rights and freedoms.