

## **Constitutional Court attends the Closing Ceremony of the Transitional Re-evaluation Process of Judges and Prosecutors in the Republic of Albania, 17 June 2026.**

The judges of the Constitutional Court participated in the closing ceremony marking the conclusion of the transitional re-evaluation process of judges and prosecutors in the Republic of Albania, organized by the Special Appeal Chamber near the Constitutional Court. The event marked the completion of one of the most significant pillars of Albania's justice reform and represented an important milestone in the continued strengthening of the rule of law.

The ceremony brought together high representatives of constitutional institutions and the justice system, including the Parliament of Albania, the Council of Ministers, the High Court, the Special Anti-Corruption Structure (SPAK), as well as representatives of international missions and strategic partners whose longstanding support has been instrumental to the implementation of justice reform in Albania.

During the session entitled "*The role and importance of other constitutional institutions in maintaining the standards of the process,*" the President of the Constitutional Court, Ms. Fiona Papajorgji, noted that the transitional re-evaluation process has made a substantial contribution to strengthening a culture of institutional accountability and integrity, establishing higher standards in the exercise of public office and fostering greater public confidence in the justice system.

Reflecting on the institutional phase that follows the completion of the vetting process, President Papajorgji stated:

"The Constitutional Court will continue to exercise, with responsibility and diligence, every competence entrusted to it by the Constitution and the law. The Court is fully conscious of its role and responsibilities in ensuring the continuity of the standards established through the vetting process, while, above all, safeguarding a process that is fair, credible, and beyond dispute for all parties concerned. In this regard, carefully considered and well-balanced legislative interventions would also be welcome."

President Papajorgji further emphasized that preserving public trust requires not only the formal continuation of institutional competences, but also the substantive preservation of the standards that have been developed throughout the implementation of the justice reform.

In this context, the Constitutional Court remains firmly committed to exercising its constitutional authority independently and impartially, in full accordance with the Constitution and the principles of the rule of law. The Court considers the further consolidation of the standards established through the justice reform to be essential for strengthening democratic institutions, enhancing public confidence in the administration of justice, and advancing Albania's path toward European integration.