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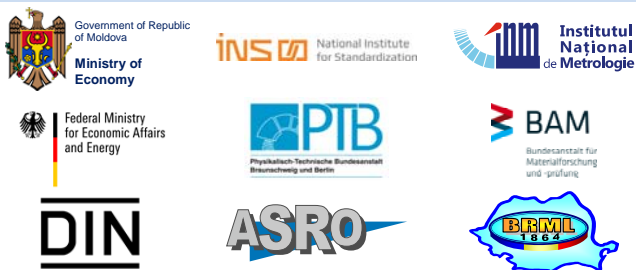
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## **STRENGTHENING OF THE STANDARDS AND METROLOGY SECTOR ACCORDING TO THE BEST PRACTICE IN THE EU MEMBER STATES**

**A Twinning Project supporting the Moldovan Quality Infrastructure in the fields of Standardisation and Metrology**



This project is funded by the European Union

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## Strengthening of the standards and metrology sector according to the best practice in the EU Member States (Twinning project)



### ***The concept***

This Twinning Project refers to Chapter 2.4 of the Action Plan “Trade - related issues, market and regulatory reforms” and its section on “Standards, technical regulation and conformity assessment procedures (EU harmonised areas)” which have been adopted by the Republic of Moldova in the framework of the European Neighbourhood Policy in November 2006.

The immediate project purpose is to achieve an upgrade of the standards and metrology sectors in Moldova according to best practices established in EU Member States, with the aim to prepare for the implementation of an international agreement on the free movement of goods (DCFTA) as an integral part of the signed Association Agreement with the EU on 27th of June 2014.

The cooperation in the framework of this project shall promote the alignment of Moldovan quality infrastructure with internationally agreed criteria, principles and guidelines.

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### ***The objectives***

A well-established and well-functioning national quality infrastructure makes a contribution to the elimination of technical barriers to trade and supports the regional and international economic integration.

The further upgrading of the Moldovan national quality infrastructure with its significant parts metrology and standardisation as well as conformity assessment is a primary task of the institutions responsible for these fields – the National Metrology Institute (INM) and the National Institute for Standardisation (INS) operating under the auspices of the Ministry of Economy of Moldova (MoE).

MoE, INM and INS as the key actors in the Moldovan Quality infrastructure are assisted by European experts in frame of this project in realizing their missions and fulfilling their technical tasks.

### ***Target groups***

In addition to the main project partners mentioned above, the target groups of the project comprise stakeholders who are involved in the Moldovan quality infrastructure, such as the National Accreditation Body, Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs), ministries, further state institutions as well as SMEs and consumers who also benefit from the services provided by the key actors.

### ***The project components***

Through its activities, the current project supports the Moldovan quality infrastructure in the fields of:

***C1 - Legal Approximation:*** Further alignment with the EU Acquis in the areas of metrology, standardisation and conformity assessment; support in implementation of two Directives in the pre-packaging field (75/107/EEC MCB, 76/211/EEC PPD).

***C2 - International recognition:*** International recognition of the national system for metrology and provision of competent services in selected measurements.

***C3 - Conformity assessment in metrology:*** Implementation of harmonised legislation in the scope of Non-Automatic Weighing Instruments Directive (NAWID) and Measuring Instruments Directive (MID).

***C4 - Standardisation:*** Better understanding of and awareness raising for the role of standards and technical committees, as well as strengthening the capacity for the participation in European standardisation work.

***Project activities:*** include consultations, trainings, seminars and study visits to EU member states.

***Project implementation:*** 27.04.2015 – 26.04.2017