Public Procurement in Macedonia

Achievements in 2014
Action plan from 2014 Forum

• Upgrade of the ESPP for mobile phones
• Strengthening the capacities of PPB
• Increase of e-procurement procedures
• Improvements in contract management
Monitoring and oversight of procurement

- Robust control mechanisms were introduced in the past year in our legislation
  - Public Procurement Council
  - Many criminal offences
Legal changes:

- 4 amendments in 2014
- Major change was the introduction of the Public Procurement Council
Public Procurement Council

- Established as a body within the Public Procurement Bureau
- 5 members appointed by the Government
- Although organizationally under the PPB, they decide independently of the PPB
Public Procurement Council - competencies

• Competent for ex-ante control of
  – technical specifications,
  – qualification criteria,
  – use of ENP,
  – framework agreements
  – some types of negotiated procedures
Public Procurement Council – procedure

• 10 working days for reaching a decision on the request for an approval
• PPC has a register of external experts in different fields it recruits or may choose to recruit
• State Appeals Commission is provide remedies against the decision of the PPC
Criminalization of offences

• Many criminal offences were introduced in the Public Procurement Law during the past year

• No people have been prosecuted so far
Additional measure already in place - Technical dialogue

• Mandatory for procurement of goods and services above EUR 130,000

• Contracting authorities public draft tender documents to consult the public before publishing the contract notice
Remedies – State Appeals Commission

- Our remedies system is largely in line with the EU Remedies Directives
- State Appeals Commission is independent body responsible to the Parliament
- Number of appeals is decreasing
Preventive measures

- Increased transparency through the ESPP
- Education and certification of procurement officers
Thank you for your attention!

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