















MOLDOVA INSTITUTIONAL AND STRUCTURAL REFORMS ACTIVITY (MISRA)

OVERVIEW

PROJECT DURATION: April 2022 – April 2027

TOTAL BUDGET: USD 35 million

CONTRACTOR: Nathan Associates, a Cadmus Company

The Moldova Institutional and Structural Reforms Activity (MISRA) aims to stimulate Moldova's sustainable and inclusive recovery from the regional crisis caused by the war in Ukraine, and to catalyze improvements in its institutional, business, and trade enabling environment.

To achieve these objectives, MISRA cooperates with public institutions and the private sector to support Moldova's integration with Western economies and accession to the European Union.

MISRA is strengthening Moldova's economic growth and resilience through digitalization, streamlined internal processes, enhanced government coordination, improved transparency and accountability, and reduced vulnerabilities to corruption and malign influences. These reforms are removing legal, regulatory, and other barriers that increase business costs, hinder investments, and limit the participation of small and medium-sized enterprises, women, and other economically marginalized groups.

MISRA is also committed to inclusive development, with activities and a grants program responsive to local needs in collaboration with civil society and the private sector.

MISRA PARTNERS IN ACHIEVING PROJECT OBJECTIVES

Electronic Governance Agency
Ministry of Economic Development and Digitalization
Ministry of Infrastructure and Regional Development
National Bank of Moldova
National Commission for Financial Markets
Competition Council

Invest Moldova Agency

Moldova Customs Service National Agency for Food Safety National Agency for Road Transport Moldova Railways Naval Agency Civil Aviation Authority

Other key partners include the private sector, business associations, civil society, the media, Parliament, and local governments.

MISRA COMPONENTS AND PRIORITIES

STRENGTHENING KEY ECONOMIC GOVERNANCE INSTITUTIONS

Developing digital tools, data integration, and streamlining internal processes **Enhancing** government coordination by promoting information sharing and synergies **Modernizing** public services to better serve the needs of citizens and businesses **Improving** laws and regulations for effective digitalization

PURSUING STRUCTURAL REFORMS TO IMPROVE THE TRADE AND INVESTMENT ENABLING ENVIRONMENT

Attracting investments and stimulating economic activity
Improving government systems to facilitate trade, transport, and logistics
Simplifying government regulation and reporting burdens on businesses
Facilitating the preparation and implementation of new trade agreements

ACCELERATING FINANCIAL SECTOR REFORMS AND INCLUSIVENESS

Improving financial education and literacy

Developing an inclusive financial sector through innovations such as instant payments and fintech

Improving supervision of insurance, non-bank credit organizations, and others in the financial sector

Facilitating innovation and leadership in government financial supervision

ENHANCING STRATEGIC COMMUNICATIONS

Increasing public awareness, understanding, and support for priority government reformsEnhancing the communications capacities of government partnersImproving engagement and dialogue among the government, private sector, and citizens

MISRA OUTCOMES IN 2022 - 2024

- New Leova border crossing point provided with new mobile offices and equipment
- Leuseni border crossing point provided with new mobile offices and equipment for coordinated control with Romania
- Improved inspections through the delivery of 10 sets of non-intrusive inspection kits for use at priority border crossing points
- Reduced costs and burdens on businesses through simplified oversight reporting, including at 13 inspection bodies
- Business processes mapped in preparation for automation of document management for e-governance
- 31 business processes mapped and legal/regulatory reforms recommended in preparation for automation of 17 of the food safety services
- Mapping and streamlining of procurement processes recommended to Moldova Railways
- Digitalization and legal/regulatory reforms recommended for road transport permits through the upgraded e-Authorized Transport System (e-ATS) at www.eat.anta.gov.md
- Improved public access to legal resources on construction through an upgraded online portal at www.ednc.gov.md
- Improved public access to government data through an upgraded Open Data Portal at www.date.gov.md
- Completed pre-feasibility study for a transshipment/logistics hub at Beresti railway terminal, followed by procurement launched for a full feasibility study
- Branding and marketing campaign developed for the National Bank of Moldova's new Instant Payment System