



ANNEX 7. The role of Albanian Institutions in the National Plan for European Integration

Albanian Parliament¹ - The main responsibility for planning and proposing legal initiatives lies with the government, but the Parliament plays a very important role in the process of approximation of Albanian legislation with that of the EU, exercising legal and political control of the process.

National Council for European Integration (NCEC)² - is the highest national advisory body for European Integration, which aims to promote and guarantee cooperation between political forces, public institutions and civil society, as well as ensure increased transparency in decision-making on issues integration³.

Commission for European Integration (KIE)⁴ – is a permanent body of the Assembly, which has in its area of responsibility the issues of European integration, approximation of Albanian legislation with EU legislation, monitoring the implementation of commitments deriving from the SAA, as and EU financial assistance. The commission exercises three main functions: legislative, controlling and electoral.

The Council of Ministers (CM) - submits annually to the Albanian Parliament a detailed report on the progress of implementation of obligations under the National Plan for European Integration (NCIP), the accession negotiation process, the management of European Union assistance, and a special report on the EC Annual Report on Albania.

Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs (MEFA)⁵ – coordinates and monitors the implementation of the NPISH 2021–2023 with the Inter-Institutional Working Groups (GNPIE) for each chapter and reports quarterly to the Council of Ministers and the chief negotiator for EU membership negotiations and on the progress of the implementation of PKIE 2021–2023.

Ministries and other coordinating institutions of the NPEI- report monthly to the Ministry of Europe and Foreign Affairs and to the Chief Negotiator for the accession negotiations in the European Union on the progress of the implementation of the 2021–2023 NPEI.

The Ministry of Finance and Economy (MFE), in cooperation with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, monitors the inclusion in the medium-term budget program of the financial needs for the implementation of the short- and medium-term priorities foreseen in the NPISH 2021–2023.

Some other structures created over the years to support membership negotiations are:

- Chief Negotiator and the negotiating team

¹ Approximation of the legislation, <https://www.parlament.al/DokumentaIntegrimi?integrimId=6>

² <https://www.parlament.al/Files/Integrimi/perberja2019.pdf>

³ Annual Report of the NATIONAL COUNCIL ON EUROPEAN INTEGRATION 2020
<https://www.parlament.al/Files/Integrimi/Raporti%20i%20KIE%20p%C3%ABr%20vitin%202020.pdf>

⁴ Commission for European Integration, <https://www.parlament.al/DokumentaIntegrimi?integrimId=5>

⁵ <http://integrimi-ne-be.puneteshmte.gov.al/anetaresimi-ne-be/plani-kombetar-i-integrimit-pkie/>



- Partnership Platform for European Integration
- Inter-Ministerial Committee for European Integration (ICAC);
- Inter-Institutional Coordination Committee for European Integration (ICAC);
- European Integration Board
- Inter-Institutional Working Groups (GNPs);

List of Ministries and Institutions Responsible for Chapter 32

1. Ministry of Finance and Economy (leading institution)
2. Supreme State Audit
3. Bank of Albania
4. Ministry of Interior
5. Ministry of Interior / General Directorate of State Police
6. Ministry of Health and Social Protection
7. Ministry for Europe and Foreign Affairs
8. Ministry of Justice
9. Audit Agency of EU Accredited Assistance Projects
10. Agency for Agricultural Development
11. Institute of Statistics (INSTAT)