

Success story

POLIS advocates for the right of women to property



Photo: POLIS signed a Cooperation Agreement with the Gender Equality Agency

The Government of Kosovo issued the Administrative Instruction (GRK) no. 03/2016 on Special Measures for the Registration of Joint Immovable Property on behalf of both spouses, which entered into force on 10 March 2016. This Administrative Instruction aims dropping the fee upon registering property in the name of both spouses in the public records. Period of effectiveness of this Instruction was originally one year.

Public Organization for Local Initiatives and Support - POLIS, with the project “Common engagement for women’s rights to joint property” supported by Engagement for Equity Program -

E4E, is promoting equal rights to property, thus considered this Administrative Instruction as very important. POLIS signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with the Gender Equality Agency, which operates under the Prime Minister’s Office of the Republic of Kosovo, defining coordinating actions with the aim of achieving common goals. An impact analysis of the measure carried out by the POLIS noted that the impact of this Instruction is great, especially in Ferizaj.

Data analysis has been forwarded to the Gender Equality Agency (GEA), with a recommendation to extend the effectiveness of the Instruction at least for a year. GEA considered the recommendations and in close cooperation with POLIS advocated to the Government of Kosovo to extend the applicability of this Instruction. As a result, this measure was approved by the Government, extending the validity until April 27, 2018.

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