

## **Session of the Conference of Constitutional Control Organs of the Countries of New Democracy**

Within the framework of 3<sup>rd</sup> Congress of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice, the session of the Conference of Constitutional Control Organs of the Countries of New Democracy was held on September 28, 2014 in Seoul. Delegations from constitutional courts of the Republic of Armenia, the Republic of Belarus, the Republic of Moldova, the Russian Federation, the Republic of Tajikistan, Ukraine, the Constitutional Council of the Republic of Kazakhstan and the Constitutional Chamber of the Supreme Court of the Kyrgyz Republic participated in the session. The session was chaired by Prof. Dr. Gagik Harutyunyan, the President of the Constitutional Court of the Republic of Armenia, member of the Bureau of the Venice Commission, who provided the participants of the session with the information on forthcoming events and the activities made in the scopes of the Conference.

Within the framework of the agenda of the session, issues of peculiarities of social integration in the context of constitutional justice of transition period were considered. Participants of the meeting exchanged opinions on the practice of constitutional control organs in the field of social integration, presented the main issues the certain constitutional control organs dealt with in this field, as well as emphasized the significance of including this subject matter and considering it in the scopes of the Congress. Taking into account the circumstance that by the decision of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice, issues of independence of constitutional courts must enter on the agenda of all Congresses including Seoul Congress, vital challenges of independence of constitutional control organs of the countries of new democracy were also considered during the session.

Referring to the main areas of cooperation in the framework of the Conference of Constitutional Control Organs of the Countries of New Democracy, the participants of the session emphasized the significance of more profound cooperation in the field of exchange of information and supporting participation in projects, conferences and events organized by the constitutional control organs of the countries of new democracy. Participants of the session noted the relevance and significance of publishing the bulletin “Constitutional Justice” (publishing authority of the Conference) as a platform for presenting the advanced practice of constitutional control organs, and popularization of theoretical and practical viewpoints in the field of constitutional justice.

Participants of the session emphasized the necessity of more profound cooperation with the European Commission for Democracy through Law of the Council of Europe (Venice Commission), active participation in the activities of the World Conference on Constitutional Justice and promoting its consolidation.

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