



■ WeBER Indicator Summary

AREA: POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND COORDINATION

KOSOVO

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PAR Area	POLICY DEVELOPMENT AND COORDINATION	Country	KOSOVO
SIGMA Principle	12. Legislation is consistent in structure, style and language; legal drafting requirements are applied consistently across ministries; legislation is made publicly available.		

WeBER Indicator	<i>PDC_P12_I1: Perception of availability and accessibility of legislation and related explanatory materials by the civil society</i>
Indicator approach	
<i>This indicator focuses on the accessibility and the availability of legislation and the explanatory materials related to it. It approaches the measurement from the viewpoint of CSOs, as actors who heavily rely on availability of legislation and explanatory information in the performance of their external control function. Thus, this particular indicator is almost entirely perception based, except for the first element, which is reflected in its main formulation. Therefore, to inform the assessment of all elements in this indicator, results of the survey with CSOs are utilised. The survey is performed on a sample which aims to ensure a representation of CSOs working in as many research areas as possible so the sample is as representative as possible (given that it is not possible yet to create a representative sample of CSOs in the region).</i>	
Summary of the findings	
<i>Our findings show that the Government of Kosovo has an online database of legal texts, named Official Gazette of the Republic of Kosovo. Although each amendment or/and supplement of any legal texts is published on a separate document as opposed to one integral and consolidated version, legal texts are very easily accessible, and are downloadable and free of charge. To that extent, CSO survey results show that CSOs are well aware (88%) of this government website and the services it provides, and have broadly used it in the past years (86%). Besides legal texts, the websites also includes explanatory materials (such as administrative guidance, documents, directives, interpretation bulletins or other rules that have practical impact, but do not have the force of law), and 57.2% of CSOs agree that these materials are easy to access. However, roughly 40% of CSOs find these explanatory materials to the legislation to be written in a manner and style, which makes them easy to understand.</i>	
Specific observations	
<i>For Kosovo, a total of 52 CSOs were surveyed. The data collection method included CASI (computer-assisted self-interviewing).</i>	

Indicator score	11 (out of 16 points)
Final indicator value	3 (scale 0-5) ¹
Measurement period	23 April – 4 June 2018

¹ Conversion of points: 0-3 points = 0; 4-5 points = 1; 6-8 points = 2; 9-11 points = 3; 12-14 points = 4; 15-16 points = 5.