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How Legal Think Tanks provide, or fail to provide knowledge to Governments in Central and Eastern Europe

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Legal Resources Centre from Moldova (LRCM) contributed to a recently launched policy paper on the activity of Legal Think Tanks in six European countries. The policy document "How Legal Think Tanks provide, or fail to provide knowledge to Governments in Central and Eastern Europe" presents common conclusions, best practice examples and recommendations offered by experienced Legal Think Tanks from Slovakia, Hungary, Czech Republic, Poland, Ukraine and Moldova on how to improve good governance by ensuring interaction with the stakeholders in the policy making process.

The policy document findings show that despite local differences in the region, the activity of Legal Think Tanks enriches the public debate and makes the governance process more participatory. Hence there are historical and current examples of valuable contribution of think tanks to public policy making and law-making, there are also similar challenges pertaining to interactions between Legal Think Tanks and governments, especially in countries where governments challenge the liberal democratic model. The document presents further recommendations to Legal Think Tanks, to the governments and the donor community, on how to cooperate and engage in real and continuous dialogue to develop programs that would ensure stability and quality of social important work in the region.

The policy document "How Legal Think Tanks provide, or fail to provide knowledge to Governments in Central and Eastern Europe" is available here.

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