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#### ORGANIZATIONAL PREZENTATION

# INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPMENT AND SOCIAL INITIATIVES (IDIS) "VIITORUL"



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The Institute for Development and Social Initiatives (IDIS) Viitorul is an independent think tank, established in 1993, positioned as a not-for-profit, public-benefit organization, which is not affiliated to the government or to any political party.

IDIS is a research, education and outreach organization which activates in the field of economic analysis, governance, law, political sciences, strategic and organizational science.





IDIS is also a common platform that brings together young intellectuals, University teachers who are concerned with the success of transition towards the free market and the open society.





Since its foundation, our Institute has invested a lot of efforts in contributing to the development of new policy options, generating policy dialogue and cross-sectorial communication. We undertake research and monitoring of targeted issues of public interest, plan and undertake publishing, organize wide-national, cross-regional and topical conferences on various issues related to economic transition, liberalization policies, free trade agreements, conflicts and rule-of-law institutions etc.



Our vision for Moldova is to build up a genuine democratic and open society, in which citizens can express freely their opinions and achieve their goals.

Moldova shall become an European country not only by its geographical proximity and historical ties, but also by its spirit, values and practices.

## **Mission**

We see our mission to contribute to the growth of independent thinking environment in Moldova and in other emerging democracies; to assist the creation of a modern, viable and open market-economy, to assist the expansion of the civil society in which the citizens act together to express their own interests, to exchange information and to strive for mutual goals and influence government.

#### "Togetherness" of IDIS







According to our institution **strategy** there are three major **areas** in which IDIS "Viitorul" works:

- (1) Modernization and Europeanization of the Public Sector;
- (2) Strengthening a functional market economy;
- (3) Supporting the emergence of a competitive society.





IDIS has a policy-oriented focus, investing more than half of its resources on policy areas, where it can facilitate a better integration of the state and municipal policies into the framework of real needs and expectations of the public and society, at large. In order to foster its scope and activities. IDIS operates through the following specialized clusters and subdivisions:

Functional Economy Department (FED)

Good
Governance
Division (GGD)

Competitive
Society Division
(CSD)

Economic Overview
Political Economy
RIA (business
environment)
State and Municipal
Assets
Economic Statewatch
Local and central

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Public procurements
Decentralization
Public and municipal
services
State of Local Democracy
Conflict management
Regional Development &
EU

People Watch (surveys and national polls)
Social Policy Monitor
Elections & Political
Parties
Social cohesion and political narratives
Foreign Policy and EU



#### Target audience

The IDIS target beneficiaries include: municipal governments, central governmental agencies, private business, think tanks, accademia, CSO, and mass media outlets.

IDIS "Viitorul" consists from a number of integrated teams of experts, with outstanding knowledge and expertise in the following fields:

**Public Sector Department** operates as a resource center, training and research division of IDIS, implementing its main projects in the areas of legal protection of the municipalities, strategic planning and assistance provided to the associations of local authorities, lobbying and tutorials.

**Functional Market Economy Department** runs regular economic analysis and forecast, taxation and tax awareness of citizens, poverty reduction and other social policies.

Competitive Society Department is specialized in social policy, civic education democratization, foreign and security policy analysis, European integration, crisis management and early warning. The department's experts perform research in the thematic areas and advocate for reforms through permanent consultations with stakeholders, conduct trainings and organize civic participation campaigns.



#### **IDIS** products:

**Economic Statewatch** – provides analysis, forecasts and early warnings to the Government and the public with respect to the economic trends and poverty developments in Republic of Moldova.

**Public Policies** – periodical studies on key-issues for the target audience, assisting political leaders to take intelligent decisions.

Policy Briefs – periodical bulletins which outline the rationale for choosing a particular policy alternative or course of action in a current policy debate.



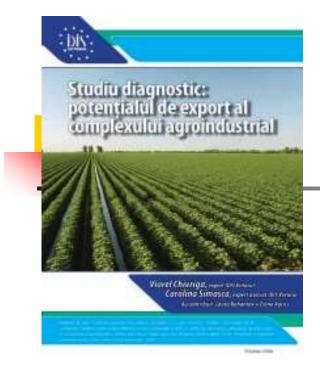
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In a century over crowed with news and new data, we have become more and more concerned by the modality in which we manage the information. It is only natural to ask ourselves the question if this high concern from the last decade for the way we understand to manage the access to new information in a society represents indeed an objective condition of development or it is just a passing fashion? And this is due to numerous paradigms so much popular in the last decade that have become forgotten in the libraries of the time without confirming their reserve of trust and impatience so much credited some time ago. Is knowledge management" indeed so much important for our society?



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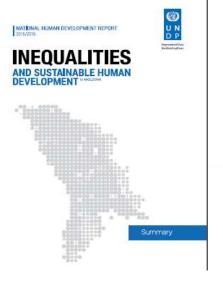
The evolution of the land agricultural market in the Republic of Moldova

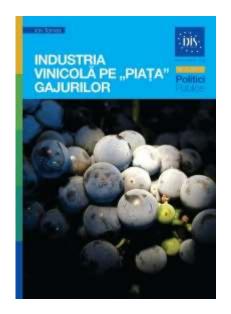


The agricultural subsidy system administered by the Intervention and Payments Agency in Agriculture (AIPA)



Reforming the subsidy system in agriculture: concrete results and failures





The wine industry on the pledge market

Development INDEX of the local business environment





Financing of small-scale and medium scale enterprises in the Republic of Moldova: challenges trends and future prospects

The state of local democracy in the Republic of Moldova













Export successfully to the EU

Transition problems to international standards and norms in the sanitary and phytosanitary field on both banks of the Dniester river





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- Economic Statewatch: quarterly analysis and forecast. Issue 3-24, 2005-2015. (Co-Author, coordinator). Centre for Economic Policies of the IDIS "Viitorul".
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- The agricultural subsidy system: current situation and perspectives. Study edited within the framework of the Coalition for Rural Economic Development. Chisinau, 2006.



Member at the Consultative Council of Economy Minister

Economic Group Coordinator of the Platform of the Eastern

Partnership

Civic Council Member for monitoring activities to prevent and combat corruption and civil society cooperation with Customs

One IDIS expert, Co-president of the Coalition for Rural Economical Development (CDER)





### **IDIS** products:

- Early Warning Report quarterly product that outlines the major sources of peril, mid and long term threats that have challenged the political, social and economic life of the country, having largely domestic roots, and possible effects in the future.
- **Social Monitor** quantitative and qualitative research on the quality of life and components of social capital.
- Moldova's Foreign Policy Statewatch a series of brief analyses, written by local and foreign experts, dedicated to the most topical subjects related to the foreign policy of Moldova, major developments in the Black Sea Region, cooperation with international organizations and peace building activities in the region.



- analysis, forecasts and early warnings to the Government and the public with respect to the economic trends and poverty developments in Republic of Moldova.
- Political watchdog; Risk Analysis, elections, financing of political parties, monitoring of the parliamentary and executive public agenda.
- Economic Confidence Index (ECI): Customer analysis of the confidence degree expressed by business representatives.
- Public Policy Briefs: regular applied research on key-issues in economic modeling, tax policy, health and social issues, assisting political leaders to take intelligent decisions.
- National Business Agenda (NBA) assist business associations in their sectorial policy dialogue with national public authorities in Moldova.
- "60 Minutes of Economic Realism" TV & Radio Joint Program broadcasted by RFERL on key-issues of economic and social relevance to the public in Moldova (Rom, English, Russian).
- Budget transparency designed and maintain the largest national portal on budgetary data for local / regional governments, access to budgetary information (openpublicbudgets), creating labor and social opportunities to the people in need from the rural areas.
- People Watch Quarterly National Surveys designed to research opinion.



#### **Affiliations**

IDIS is today associated with several networks and international organizations:

- PASOS (Policy Association of the Open Society)
- TPN (Transitional Policy Network)
- NISPAcee (The Network of Institutes and Schools of Public Administration in Central and Eastern Europe, Slovakia)
- NDRI (Network of Democracy Research Institutes).
- EPIN (Economic Policy Institute Network of the UNDP)
- ICBSS (International Centre for Black Sea Studies)
- Stockholm Network
- Danish Development Research Network
- TRIALOG





## Expertise and specialized trainings

- Macroeconomic and microeconomic studies
- Agriculture and land relations
- Energy system and components of domestic and regional markets
- Monetary and fiscal policies
- The study of employment, social relationships
- Decentralized policies: the status, role and competences of local and subnational authorities
- Strategic planning: options and tools of local development
- Analysis of state policies in secondary and higher education
- Analysis of the commercial and banking risks
- Quantitative and qualitative research of public opinion
- Confidence of national and sectoral consumption
- The institutionalization of public-private partnerships
- Political analysis and electoral behavior
- Organizational management and training on advocacy advanced capabilities
- The impact assessment of government policies and decisions
- Specialized training in public administration, strategic planning, energy efficiency
- Confidence building on both banks of Dniester



#### **Studies and reports**

In the past 20 years, IDIS published about 90 studies and monographs with reference to local government finance, local autonomy, organizational management, constitutional and public law, local and regional development, quality of public service, institutional management, etc.

There have been numerous analytical reports prepared for international institutions: the Council of Europe, OSCE, OECD, and UNDP.



## **Economic Department Policy Reports and Studies**

Status of the Local Democracy (SoLD), Country Report, IDIS-IDEA, supported by the Swiss Cooperation Development.

Regional Socio-Economic Development Strategy of Gagauzia 2017-2022 and 2023 - 2027

Impunity and rent seeking of the country's energy sector, Policy Paper, Evaluation of state-owned enterprises from the Republic of Moldova (ro), Policy Paper,

Bank Credit and Economic Growth: Lessons from Moldova (eng), Policy Paper,



Thank you!