

# Experts in the field of social protection and humanitarian aid met in working session after a two-year break



On November 13, 2024, at the initiative of Chişinău, a new meeting of Working Groups on social issues and humanitarian aid was held in the format of a videoconference with the participation of experts from both banks of the Nistru River.

During the meeting, experts from the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection, the National Office of Social Insurance and the Office of the People's Advocate discussed issues related to the implementation of the provisions of national and international legislation in the field of social protection, in particular in the context of the opening of negotiations on Moldova's accession to the European Union.

Representatives from Chişinău informed participants from Tiraspol in detail about the application of legal mechanisms for providing compensation to families with children living in settlements of the Transnistrian region, as well as the implementation of the Hague Convention of 25 October 1980 on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction and the Hague Convention on the Protection of Children and Co-operation in Respect of Intercountry Adoption of 29 May 1993.

In this context, the importance of the correct application of the provisions of international legislation to protect children's rights and ensure adequate protection against international child abductions, as well as guaranteeing the protection of children in the process of international adoption was reaffirmed.

Also, the experts from the national authorities emphasized the importance of ensuring access to social assistance services for citizens of the Republic of Moldova who live in localities in the region, in order to ensure the necessary support for children and vulnerable families, including as a result of the implementation of the reform „Restart”.

The Working Groups agreed to maintain a continuous dialogue and constructively resolve existing issues.

We remind you that the last meeting of the experts of the Working Groups on social issues and humanitarian aid was held on November 15, 2022:

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