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## 1. ABOUT US

The Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" Skopje (IDSCS) is a Macedonian think-tank organization. It is a non-governmental, non-partisan, non-profit and secular institution. The institute was founded in 1999 by a group of intellectuals gathered around the idea of democracy, solidarity and civil society and over time this organization grew into a significant factor in the Macedonian civil and public sector, based on its expertise, performance and influence.

During the transition period, the Institute played a significant role in the public debate, building and strengthening the capacities of the state political system, as well as civil society.

The Institute for Democracy is one of the first organizations that started conducting public opinion surveys in social sciences and offered the political sector, the academic community and the media programs with essential empirical and quantitative materials. Having this heritage and constantly working in this field, IDSCS owns one of the largest research databases in the country, and is also a reference source for

policy makers, academics politicians.

In a period when the deficit of knowledge, skills and competences of political actors had an impact on the efficiency and effectiveness of institutions, the Institute provided more than 100 trainings to members of different political parties, thus imparting knowledge and skills that subsequently improved the democratic processes in Macedonia.

IDSCS possesses a high level of professionalism, diligence and innovation. This approach contributes to the acquisition of the necessary

### WE ARE PROUD OF:

The Institute was the first organization in Macedonia to initiate an awareness campaign and advocacy platform under the slogan "I want to travel without a visa - Macedonia without Schengen had a strong influence on the <sup>what</sup> political agenda regarding the visa liberalization process. This campaign is considered a cornerstone in countries that favor the free movement of people and goods, and has significantly expanded social capital in Macedonian society. The Institute takes an active role in the process of answering the European Commission's questionnaire regarding Macedonia's accession to the EU.

Except for matters related to the Euro-Atlantic area, IDSCS actively participated in providing consulting services for the Secretariat for European Affairs of the Macedonian government, initiating the campaign "And the sun is a star"

qualities, which make us a respected partner of relevant stakeholders from the political scene and the civil sector.

Our main activities are research, advocacy and capacity development. We use different research methods (desk research, political analysis, field and telephone research, focus groups, statistical analysis, monitoring, etc.), strategies for campaigns, trainings and conferences. This approach allows us to gain full insight and influence on complex social-political dimensions. IDSCS manages a team of consultants and researchers in order to facilitate, coordinate, implement and offer optimal solutions to various social and political problems. So far, we have cooperated with a significant number of distinguished international and local experts with different expertise in the Republic of Macedonia and in the region. We insist on validity and reliability in the methods and instruments we use in order to define current circumstances.

IDSCS starts from the simple fact that one of the basic conditions for the successful consolidation of democracy in Macedonia, as well as for the prevention of anti-democratic political turmoil - is the creation of a political climate and conditions for democratic communication between political actors in Macedonia; creating awareness of tolerance and understanding; emancipation of passive citizens and liberalization of authoritarian minds that produce mutual hatred and anxiety among members of ethnic communities; continuous development of

the democratic capacities of members of political parties.

## 2. VISION AND MISSION

On its way, IDSCS has a vision for Macedonia as a highly developed democracy of free and active citizens.

The mission of IDSCS is to support the development of democratic processes through the promotion of policy-making based on research, analysis and consultation with stakeholders.

The motivation of the Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" is, through research work and analyzes in the areas of interest, for IDSCS to become a highly developed "think tank" organization and a source of knowledge and advice to stakeholders in institutions and civil society.

In pursuit of this vision, we strive to achieve the following LONG TERM GOALS: \_\_\_\_\_

Balanced socio-economic development;

Active citizenship;

Participatory political culture;

Embedding liberal values in society;

Respect for the rule of law and good governance;

Promoting sustainable education;

Achieving evidence-based decision-making;

Multiethnic and multicultural coexistence

### 3. PROGRAM CENTERS OF IDSCS

#### The Center for Good Governance

The Center for Good Governance aims to promote and work on initiatives to encourage and establish the principles of good governance in the functioning of the political system and in social life.

The Institute for Democracy follows the principles of good governance set by the United Nations<sup>1</sup> : - Participation - Rule of law - Transparency - Responsiveness

- Orientation towards consensus -  
Fairness and inclusiveness -  
Effectiveness and effectiveness

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<sup>1</sup> What is good governance? <http://www.unescap.org/sites/default/files/good-governance.pdf>

- Accountability

The Center for Good Governance achieves its goals through research activities - data collection, monitoring, analysis - and advocacy activities - proposals for public policies, promotional activities and action towards political, state, public institutions and the general public. The Center for Good Governance also ensures that IDSCS applies these principles and acts in the direction of "practice what you preach".

Main areas of work and focus

The main thematic areas of the Center for Good Governance include: the process of creating public policies, the functioning of the legislative and executive branches, anti-corruption policies, transparency and open data policies, informal political and social relations, elections and electoral politics, multicultural policies, decentralization and political culture.

The Center for European Integration (CEI)

The scope of work of the IDSCS Center for European Integration has been narrowed due to the stagnation of the overall European integration process of Macedonia. Hence, the capacities invested in this center are sufficient for the time being and the existing staff can meet the needs.

The mission of the IDSCS Center for European Integration is to analyze and promote the process of European integration in Macedonia as well as in the region. In the coming period, it is necessary to strengthen the regional component of the process and direct the Center's resources to strengthen this regional component.

Anticipated directions in which the work of the Center for European Integration should move and be upgraded:

1. Regional connection and networking in renowned European and regional networks dealing with issues of the process of European integration. Connecting with related organizations in the Western Balkans.
2. Designing and implementing permanent (interval) monitoring tools
3. Increasing the visibility of the Center through analytical products
4. Developing the capacities for foresight analysis related to the European integration process (a concept that is also applicable to other research centers).

### Center for Parliamentary Support and Democratization

The 10-year Assembly Support Program (PSP) supported by the Swiss Cooperation and Development Program and awarded to the NDI consortium (National Democratic Institute, IDSCS and CUP) enables long-term planning and sustainability of the operation of this center, which can additionally project and consultancy to serve the needs of the Parliament in terms of reform processes. The Center conducts monthly surveys of the quality of the parliamentary debate, monitoring the commitments of the Open Government Partnership process in the Parliament, annual surveys of public opinion on the work of the Parliament and current political issues. The Center is also involved in the administration of financial support for the academic education of members of the Parliamentary Service and the Parliamentary Institute.

## 4. PROJECTS AND SERVICE AGREEMENTS

For 2023, the Institute for Democracy included a total of 11 projects in its portfolio, compared to last year 2022, when 10 projects were under implementation.

### SELECTION OF CURRENT/COMPLETED PROJECTS

No.	Project	Donor	Implementation period	Amount on grant	Center
1.	Parliament support program (partner with NDI)	Swiss Agency for Development and Cooperation	June 2019 December 2023	7,425,676.00 MKD	CPPI
2.	Investment screening mechanism - preservation of security and public order in the Western Balkans	CIPE	February 2023 – March 2024	\$93,174	CEI
3.	Public perception of EU integration	Konrad Adenauer	October December 2023	419,457.00 MKD	CEI

4.	Berlin process after Tirana 2023? Redefining the role of civil society	Open Society Foundation - Western Balkans	November 2023 – March 2024	\$44,000	CEI
5.	"Implementing common solutions to fight corruption and good governance in South-Eastern Europe: Innovative practices and public-private partnerships".	Norway Grant Fund for regional cooperation	January, 2021 – December 2023.	4,163,713.00 MKD	CDU
6.	Parliamentary diplomacy: Regional cooperation through strengthened parliamentary dialogue	German Federal Ministry of Foreign Affairs. for	April 2023-April 2025	MKD 21,418,960.00	CEI
7.	Partnership against corruption	USAID	September 2023-August 2024	\$122,619.00 CDU	
8.	Strengthening the debate on accountability and anti-corruption	SUN	October 2023-September 2025	\$100,500.00 CDU	
9.	Citizens against corruption	USAID	April 2023-April 2028	5,998,487.00 USD. (total project budget)	CDU
10.	Participation of women from the communities in the public and political life	OSCE	June-December 2023	922,500.00 MKD	CPPI
11.	Anti-corruption measures infrastructure in development on projects	UNDP	July 2023-July 2024	2,304,830.00 MKD	CDU



## 5. Achievements of IDSCS in 2023

1. Contribution to the improvement of human resources capacities in the Parliament IDSCS continued the implementation of the Swiss Scholarship Program, providing opportunities for parliamentary staff to further their education and improve the skills they use on the job.

During 2023, a total of 4 calls for the Swiss Scholarship Program were announced and a total of 19 scholarships were provided, namely 4 in January, 3 in June, 8 in September and 4 in December. The program financially supported officials from the Assembly who applied for master's and doctoral studies at UKIM and the University of Southeast Europe, English, French and Albanian language courses and information courses. With the last call in the last month of the year, the scholarship program also included employees from the State Audit Office. The first beneficiaries of the scholarship program, who are employed by the SAO, received scholarships to study the English language. The IDSCS finalized an analysis in August of the entire Swiss scholarship program during the first phase of the PSP, which describes student progress, results achieved, good practices and recommendations for future iterations of the scholarship program. (PSP)

2. Contribution to the improvement of the regulatory framework and practice of the Assembly for the inclusion of citizens and improvement of transparency in its work.

The IDSCS through the PSP supports the process of adoption, implementation and monitoring of the Action Plan of the Assembly towards the commitments towards the Open Government Partnership (OPG). In 2023, it published two monitoring reports relating to the progress of the implementation of the Action Plan 2021-2023 and covering the period July-December 2022 and January-June 2023. In the general findings of the January-June 2023 report, the report notes that all three commitments are in an advanced stage of implementation: 1) Parliament for citizens with open response and open recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic; 2) Improved ICT infrastructure; 3) Participation of citizens/open parliament. IDSCS is actively involved in the process of joint creation of the new Parliamentary Action Plan for OVP (2024-2026) which started in the first half of 2023. The consultations included MPs, parliamentary staff and civil society organizations. (PSP)

In March 2023, the PSP published the analysis "Openness of Parliament: Trends and Best Practices of OPR" to inform the process of co-creating a new OPR Action Plan. The document provides a brief overview of the formal guidelines for parliamentary engagement in OVP and discusses each of the roles that parliament is encouraged to undertake. (PSP)

3. Contribution to improving the quality of the debate in the Parliament IDSCS regularly monitors the quality of the debate in the Parliament. In 2023, it finalized two semi-annual analyzes of the quality of the debate, covering the periods July-December 2022 and January-June 2023. Both reports indicate a low level of quality of the debate in the Parliament in this mandate and confirm the conclusion that there is room for significant improvement. The reports are presented to the deputies and the parliamentary service. In order to improve the quality of the debate, in March 2023, a debate training for MPs "The Parliamentary Debate and its Importance for Quality Legislation, Citizen Representation and Parliamentary Supervision" was held, which was attended by some of the MPs. (PSP)

3. Contribution to the improvement of the communication of the Assembly with the public about the work of the Assembly as well as the rights and responsibilities of the citizens

IDSCS regularly conducts an annual field survey on the citizens' perception of the Parliament's work. The 2023 analysis was finalized in May. In addition to the field survey, nine focus groups were also conducted, explaining in detail some of the trends manifested in the research, the public's perception of the Parliament and the work of the political parties, the quality of life, political issues and trust in North Macedonia. PSP presented the results to the MPs, political parties, the international community and the President of North Macedonia. In general, the analysis shows that the citizens' perception of the work in the Parliament is in accordance with the public opinion shared in the last four years. On a scale of 1 – worst to 5 – at best, for 2023, the citizens gave the Parliament's work an average score of 2.2. (PSP)

In December 2023, a short analysis "Harmonization of national legislation with EU law: Comparative overview of North Macedonia with Albania and Serbia" was published. The purpose of this analysis is to give a comparative overview of North Macedonia with the neighboring candidate countries - Albania and Serbia - and their practices in passing laws with a fast procedure, with special reference to the laws passed under the European flag. The analysis concludes that determining the success rate for harmonizing a country's legislation with EU legislation is a complex process, hence the speed and number of harmonized laws cannot be the primary and only indicator of success. (PSP)

4. Contribution to determining the level of political and social involvement of women in politics

In July 2023, a brief analysis titled Gender Sensitive Assembly and Gender Equality on the Political Stage: An Overview of the Current Situation in North Macedonia was created. The analysis concludes that there is progress in the participation of women in Macedonian politics, but that there is also a huge space for advancing gender equality. Additionally, the increased number of female MPs in the Parliament allows gender issues to be part of the political agenda of the Parliament more often. (PSP)

In November 2023, IDSCS finalized the study "Participation of community women in political and public life in North Macedonia". The study is based on field research, conducted interviews and secondary research. In general, the analysis confirms the weak involvement of women in the political and special life of the state, the discriminatory attitude faced by women on their career political path, as well as the double discrimination faced by women from smaller communities, especially the Roma community. (OSCE)

#### 5. Contribution to the creation of policies at the national level

The expertise of the team in the field of anti-corruption and good governance was respected by the institutions, which is reflected in the participation of the CDU team in relevant processes at the national level. So, last year, CDU contributed to the creation of policies and documents for the promotion of the fight against corruption and good governance, through participation in:

1. Working group for the creation of the Draft Law on Critical Infrastructure, Ministry of Defense.
2. Crisis Management Subcommittee - concept of a joint national integrated system for protection and rescue and crisis management, Ministry of Defense.
3. Partnership for open government - dialogue on the National Action Plan 2024-2026 and participation in a working group to create a commitment to digitize the financial reporting of political parties
4. Working group of SDMM for creating commitments to fight against corruption in the election program for parliamentary elections in 2024 year
5. Law on senior management service - participation in a public debate, a meeting with the Minister of Information Society and Administration on the draft law and sending a test to supplement the law
6. Public debate on the Draft Strategy for Transparency of the Government of the Republic of North Macedonia

7. Working group for revising the National Strategy for the Prevention of Corruption and Conflict of Interest 2021-2025, State Commission for the Prevention of Corruption

6. Strengthening the capacities of stakeholders

The CDU team conducted several trainings to strengthen the capacities of the parliamentary services, the party youth and the DCSK to fight against corruption.

The trainings for party youths focused on upgrading the skills and knowledge of youths to fight corruption, with special reference to anti-corruption policies in election programs for the upcoming parliamentary elections in 2024. The trainings for the parliamentary services covered the topics: levels of corruption analysis, informing MPs, tools for summarizing reports from institutions and writing and representing decision makers. Also, at the request of the SCCC, IDSCS trained the institution's services on methodologies for applying corruption risks and identifying potential cases of politically exposed companies in large databases.

7. Influence on public discourse, representation, and actualization of corruption topics/problems Through a series of public discussions, media visits, reactions and policy documents, the team managed to influence the formation and direction of public discourse on current topics related to corruption scandals or ongoing processes important for good governance and the fight against corruption. Some of the topics that were covered by these activities are the construction of the highways from corridors 8 and 10 d (Bechtel and Enka), corruption in higher education, appointments in the senior management service, strategic foresight in anti-corruption institutions, the operation of the Judicial Council, the selection of the new composition of the SCSC, the latest legal changes related to state advertising in the media. The main anti-corruption institutions, the President of the RSM, representatives of the Parliament, the Government, international organizations and embassies participated in the public discussions.

## 6. PUBLICATIONS

In 2023, IDSCS prepared 60 publications. In total From 2003 to 2023, IDSCS has produced 726 publications.

Publications by year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
	32	67	122	121	91	60

### Publication type

	CDU	CPPD	CEI
Analysis of public opinion		2	4
Public policy brief	6	2	3
Infographic		14	
Animated video	3		1
Observation report	5	4	1
Representative document (policy memo/ column/ PR text)	6		6
Public Policy Study/Analysis	1	1	1
Manual			
In total	21	23	16
			60

The list of publications produced by IDSCS is part of ANNEX 1 of this report.

## 7. Public reactions

In 2023 IDSCS had 11 published reactions on topics of social and political interest.

1. The law on senior management service should be passed before the parliamentary elections
2. The ratification of the agreements from the Berlin process, which the citizens evaluate as very useful, must be accelerated
3. The platform of civil society organizations for the fight against corruption strongly condemns partisanship in the selection of new members  
The State Commission for Prevention of Corruption
4. Civil organizations strongly condemn the judgment against IRL for defamation and demand that responsibility for the adoption be determined  
on the same
5. Withdrawal from the working group for the creation of the Law on confiscation of property in civil proceedings
6. The Platform of Civil Organizations for the Fight Against Corruption requested Pendarovski to use the right of veto
7. The Platform of Civil Organizations for the Fight Against Corruption requested Joveski to resign
8. Request to stop the pressure on independent institutions in the fight against corruption
9. Request for resignation of the members of the Judicial Council
10. Request to withdraw the agenda of Session 112 of the Assembly of the Republic of North Macedonia, scheduled for April 10  
2023 at 11 am
11. Open letter to the Government of the Republic of North Macedonia

## 8. MEMBERSHIPS

The platform of civil society organizations to fight against corruption

The platform is an informal network of 15 civil society organizations working in the field of anti-corruption. The general objectives are organized around individual and collective recommendations for policy makers; involvement in them; and collective strengthening of the capacities of organizations in this area. the IDSCS representative in the Platform is a member of the Board and has initiated several of the network's activities.

SELDI.net

Southeast European Leadership for Development and Integrity is a coalition of think tanks working in the field of anti-corruption and good governance created in 2012. Its goals are to build a coalition for the development of a regional strategy and action agenda; implementation of good governance monitoring; and raising public awareness. IDSCS is a partner in the network.

SEE ThinkNET

The first network of civil society organizations from Southeast Europe was formed with the task of monitoring the topics that are part of the Berlin one process – SEE Think Net Network.

The network was established in March by organizations from the six countries of the Western Balkans, supplemented by Slovenia and Croatia, with support from the European Fund for the Balkans. The coordinator of the Network will be the Institute for Democracy from Macedonia, and its members are the European Movement Network from Serbia, the Open Society Foundation from Albania, EU Policy Hub, the Politikon Network from Montenegro, the Center for Security Studies from Kosovo, the Institute for Development and international relations from Croatia, the Center for European perspective from Slovenia and Adnan Qerimagic from Bosnia and Herzegovina.

The purpose of the Network is to contribute analysis and policy proposals to the topics arising from the Berlin Process, thereby contributing to informed public debate and research-based decision-making. It will also include closely monitoring the whole process and the policies of the countries that touch on the topics of the Berlin process. The Network to the Summit of the Berlin Process countries in London plans to publish a public policy analysis of the Berlin Process and the European perspective of the region which will be launched at the summit at the Royal Institute of International Affairs on 9 and 10 July. In addition, the Network will produce

5 other analyzes related to migration, security and the rule of law will be launched in Skopje, Belgrade and Tirana in the week before the start of the summit in London

#### Think Balkans

The project 'Instrument for the cooperation of analytical centers from the Western Balkans - TINK BALKANS' is financially supported by the Visegrad International Fund and builds on the previously established cooperation between the members of the Network of analytical centers of Southeast Europe - Southeast European Think Net Network (SEE Think Net) ) and Think Visegrad (Think Visegrad) within the framework of the project 'Regional cooperation in the Western Balkans: Comparison of the Berlin Process and the Visegrad Group'.

Based on the previous successful cooperation, the Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje will continue with the project coordination, which, in cooperation with the European Movement in Serbia (EMinS), the Civikos Platform from Kosovo, the Network Politikon from Montenegro, Albanian Institute of International Studies (AIIS) from Albania, Adnan Qerimagic from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Center for European Perspective (CEP) from Slovenia, Center for Eastern Studies (OSW) from Poland, Institute for of International Affairs and Trade (IFAT) from Hungary, the Research Center of the Slovak International Policy Association (RC SFPa) from Slovakia and the European Policy Institute EUROPEUM (EUROPEUM) from the Czech Republic,

#### CIVITAX

IDSCS is the founder and member of the CIVITAKS group for fiscal issues in the civil and academic sectors and for natural persons. The vision of the CIVITAKS Group is for the fiscal system in the Republic of Macedonia to be fair, clear and understandable, effective and efficient, predictable and transparent and entirely based on the principles of the rule of law. The tax system in the Republic of Macedonia must it rests on empirical analyses, on strategic planning and on the principle of opportunity cost, i.e. it must also take into account the administrative capacities of the Public Revenue Administration.

The purpose of the CIVITAKS Group is to raise initiatives, analyze and research and represent fiscal issues, in the broadest sense of the word, that affect civil society organizations, academic institutions and natural persons, as well as to represent the right to legal certainty in this area as human right.



## 9. ACHIEVED TRAINING and EVENTS 2023

In 2023, a total of 28 events (conferences, workshops, presentations, study visits) and 3 trainings were held

List of events of the Center for Good Governance at the Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje for 2023

No	A month	Events	Date	Organizers	Project	Donor(s)	Partne r(s)	Link
1	February	"Anti-corruption 2030: Current and future anti-corruption challenges"	23.2.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://rb.gy/ugo8iw">https://rb.gy/ugo8iw</a>
2	April	Increased risks from rapid changes in laws for the construction of corridors 8 and 10d"	18.04.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://rb.gy/y40ncm">https://rb.gy/y40ncm</a>
3	May	"Forms of corruption in the high education"	23.05.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://rb.gy/xart9f">https://rb.gy/xart9f</a>

4		TRAINING FOR STRENGTHENING CAPACITIES IN THE FIGHT AGAINST THE CORRUPTION OF THE ASSEMBLY AND OF THE PARTIES YOUNG PEOPLE	25-26.05.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://rb.gy/fy3189">https://rb.gy/fy3189</a>
5	July	"How about an independent judiciary?"	04.9.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://shorturl.at/MFYn">https://shorturl.at/MFYn</a>
6	September	SYSTEM FAILURES IN THE "BECHTEL ENKA" CASE	09/05/2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://shorturl.at/3qBKV">https://shorturl.at/3qBKV</a>
7		"OPEN QUESTIONS ABOUT THE ELECTIVE ADVERTISING WITH STATE FUNDS"	26.09.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://shorturl.at/t3OBg">https://shorturl.at/t3OBg</a>
December 8		TRAINING FOR STRENGTHENING OF THE CAPACITIES OF PARTY YOUNG PEOPLE TO CREATE POLICIES AND ANTI-CORRUPTION	16-17.12.2023	Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje	Stimulating debate on accountability and anti-corruption	National Endowment for Democracy – NED	/	<a href="https://shorturl.at/WWsGp">https://shorturl.at/WWsGp</a>

9		"Open anti-corruption forum"	06-07.12.2023	Program: Citizens against corruption (IDSCS, MCMS, IRL, CGK, BIRN, Stopanska Chamber of Northern Macedonia, 360 Degrees) and Regional anti-corruption network SELDI	Citizens against corruption	USAID	MCMS, IRL, CGK, BIRN, Stopanska chamber on Northern Macedonia, 360 Degrees, The region flax network for anticor	<a href="https://ti.nyurl.com/mr.y5rpy">https://ti nyurl.c om/mr y5rpy</a> HERRING option
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## List of events of the Center for European Integration at the Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje for 2023

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March 1		<p>Promotion of KAS publications - Analysis of public opinion on the Macedonian process of accession to the European Union (2014-2022)</p> <p>Europe in crisis. The consequences on public opinion in North Macedonia</p>	02.03.2023	IDSCS and KAS	/	CAS	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/3aykyw9p">https://tinyurl.com/3aykyw9p</a>
April 2		Study visit to Tirana	April 3 - 5 2023	IDSCS and the Albanian Institute of International Studies (AIIS)	Advancing regional cooperation and EU integration through the Think Balkans initiative	Western Balkans Fund	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/mr95ts7y">https://tinyurl.com/mr95ts7y</a>
May	3	Panel discussion "Prevention of crises and management of critical infrastructure in the Western Balkans" in Skopje	04.05.2023	IDSCS	Think Balkans	International Visegradsk and Fund	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/">https://tinyurl.com/</a>

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	4	Study visit to Belgrade	17 - 19 May 2023	IDSCS and European Movement in Serbia (EMinS)	Advancing regional cooperation and EU integration through the Tink Balkan's initiative	Western Balkans Fund	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/2sxm2x8">https://tinyurl.com/2sxm2x8</a>
	5	Panel discussion "The new reality. The Russian war over Ukraine and the Western Balkans" in Podgorica	06.09.2023	IDSCS and Politikon Network	Think Balkans	International n Visegradsk and Fund	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/yavs2bh n">https://tinyurl.com/yavs2bh n</a>
	6	Publication presentation - "A Blueprint for Accelerated Integration and Phasing-In" in Brussels	21.09.2023	IDSCS, KAS and Wilfried Martens Center for European Studies	/	CAS	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/yursz zue">https://tinyurl.com/yursz zue</a>
	7	"Advancement of the Berlin process through parliamentary diplomacy" in Skopje	12 - 13 September 2023	IDSCS	Parliamentary diplomacy: regional cooperation through strengthened parliamentary dialogue	The German Fr ministry in for external and works	/	<a href="https://tinyurl.com/m/mxr836 am">https://tinyurl.com/m/mxr836 am</a>

October ri	8	"Regional workshop for the development of effective mechanisms for checking investments in the Western Balkans" in Prague	10 - 13 October 2023	CLDP and CIPE	Addressing of the flows of the corrosive capital	Center for international o private enterprises is (CIPE)	/	http s:// tiny url. co m/3 vcn ttba	
	9	Parliamentary conference "The role of parliaments in the Berlin Process" in Tirana	13.10.2023	IDSCS and the Institute of Political Studies from Albania (ISP)	Parliamentary diplomacy: regional cooperation through strengthened parliamentary dialogue	The German Fr ministry in for external and works	/	http s:// tiny url. co m/2 rjb2 nwx	
December ri	10	"The benefits of the Berlin process for North Macedonia: Review of the work done in the part of the common regional market with a focus on roaming" in Skopje	11.12.2023	IDSCS	Parliamentary diplomacy: regional cooperation through strengthened parliamentary dialogue	The German Fr ministry in for external and works	/	http s:// tiny url. co m/y fu5 4mf v	
	11	Closed workshop "Berlin Process after Tirana 2023? Redefining the Role of Civil Society" in Skopje	11.12.2023	IDSCS	OSF Berlin Process	Open Society Foundation Western Balkans	/		
	12	Promotion of KAS publications - Analysis of public opinion on the Macedonian process of accession to the European Union (2014-2023)  EU integrations in the shadow of internal processes - Analysis of public opinion for 2023 year	18.12.2023	IDSCS and KAS	/	CAS	/	http s:// tiny url. co m/5 5n4 zfyf	
In total	12							0	0

List of events of the Center for Parliamentary Support within the Institute for Democracy "Societas Civilis" - Skopje for 2023								
Number	Mes etc	Events	Date	Organized ori	Project	Donor(s)	Partner(s) Link	
1	Feb March, 2023	Presentation of the report "View of the Assembly: Report from the observation of the quality of the debate in the Assembly (July - December 2022)" for MPs and parliamentary service	71.2.2023	NDI/IDSCS	Parliamentary Support Program (PSP)	Swiss Development Agency (SDC)		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=234801815697361&amp;set=pcb.234803632363846">https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=234801815697361&amp;set=pcb.234803632363846</a>
2	March , 2023	Debate Training for Members of Parliament "Parliamentary Debate and Its Importance for Quality Legislation, Civic Representation and Parliamentary Oversight"	24.3.2023	NDI/IDSCS	Parliamentary Support Program (PSP)	Swiss Development Agency (SDC)		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=252545233923019&amp;set=pcb.252547167256159">https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=252545233923019&amp;set=pcb.252547167256159</a>

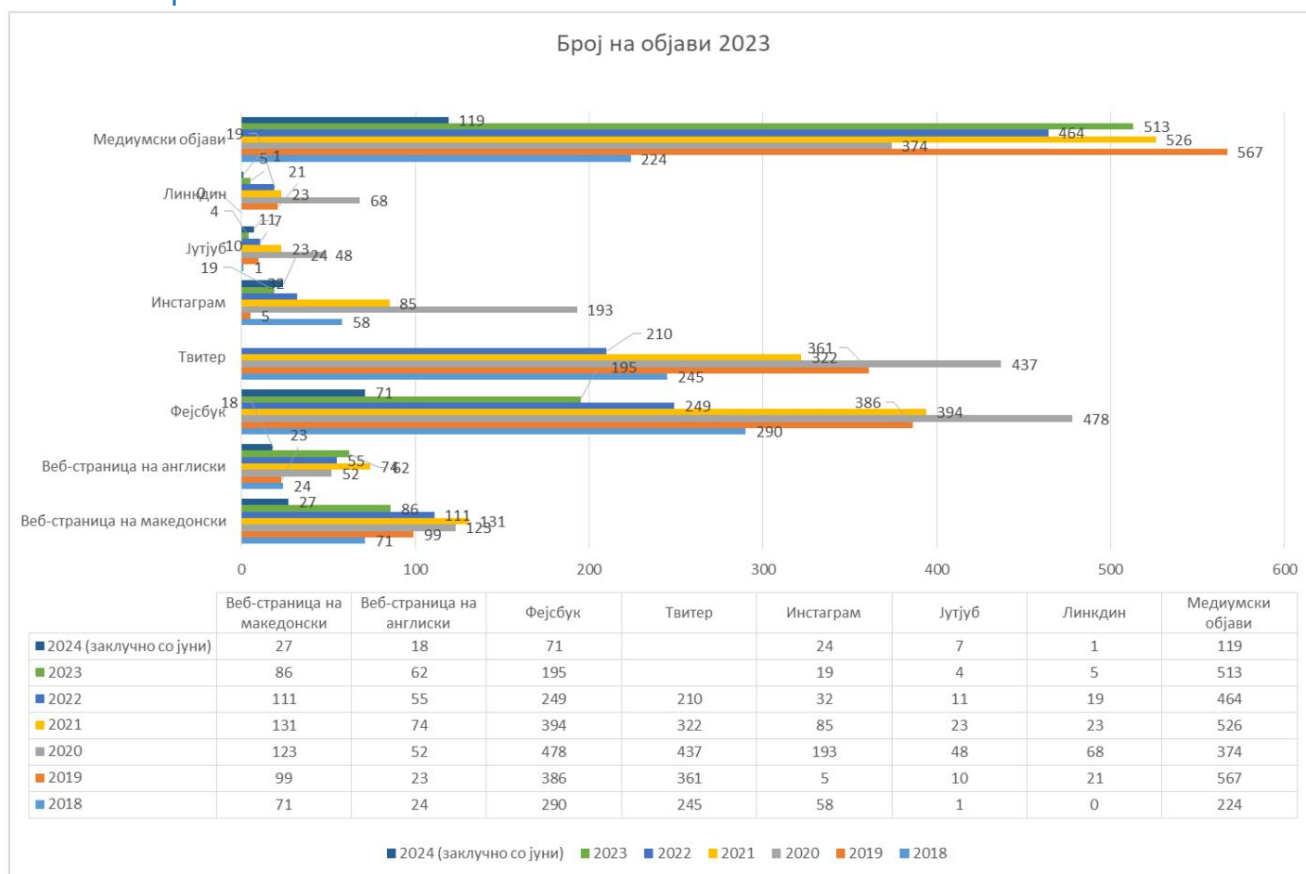
3	June, 2023	Presentation of the report: View of the Assembly: Citizens' perceptions of the work of the Assembly of the Republic of North Macedonia (2023), for MPs	5.6.2023	NDI/IDSCS	Program for parliamentary support (PSP)	Swiss Development Agency (SDC)		
4	June, 2023	Reception of the beneficiaries of the Swiss scholarship program at the residence of the Ambassador of Switzerland Veronique Ullmann Marty	23.6.2022	NDI/IDSCS	Program for parliamentary support (PSP)	Swiss Development Agency (SDC)		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=571416128498852&amp;set=pcb.571417668498698">https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=571416128498852&amp;set=pcb.571417668498698</a>
5	October, 2023	Presentation of the report "View of the Assembly: Report from the observation of the quality of the debate in the Assembly (January - June 2023)" for MPs and parliamentary service	6.10.2023	NDI/IDSCS	Program for parliamentary support (PSP)	Swiss Development Agency (SDC)		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=317002170928599&amp;set=a.273208251974658">https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=317002170928599&amp;set=a.273208251974658</a>



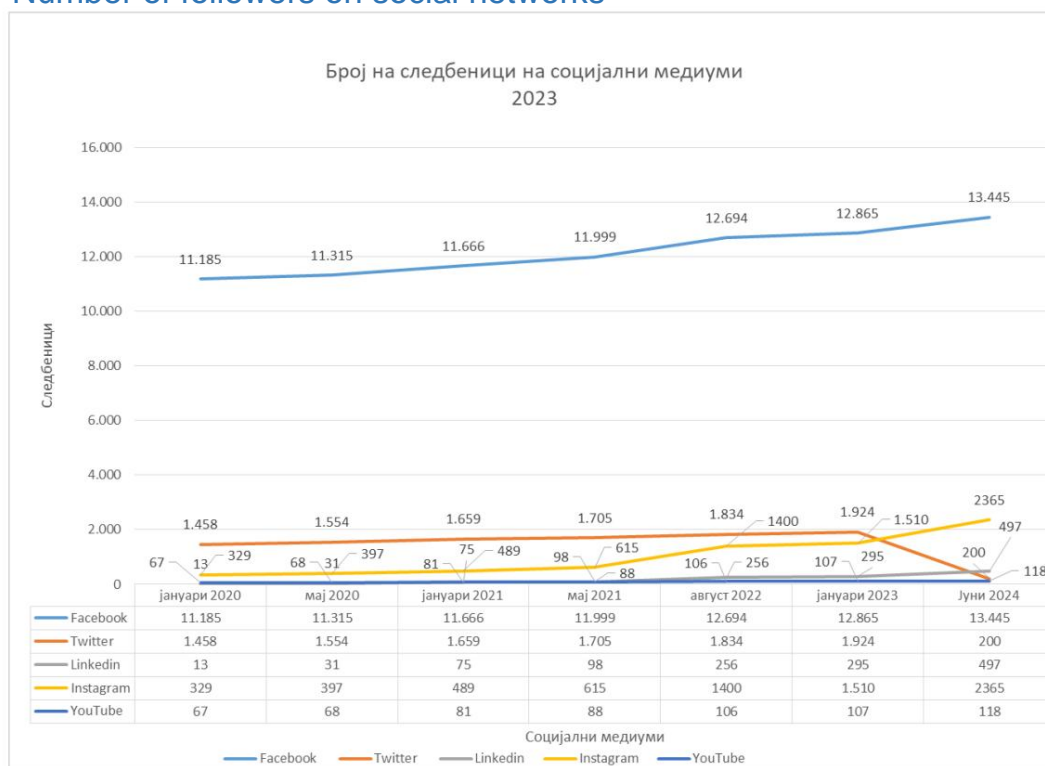
6	October March, 2023	Presentation of the findings of the study "Participation of women from the communities in the political and public life of the Republic of North Macedonia", for the Participatory Forum (Agency for the realization of the rights of the communities)	24.10.2023 IDSCS/OSCE OSCE research OSCE					
7	December March, 2023	Event to mark the beginning of the second phase of the "Parliamentary Support Program"	12/13/2023 NDI/IDSCS		Parliamentary Support Program (PSP)	Swiss Development Agency (SDC)		<a href="https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=353898270572322&amp;set=pcb.353896027239213">https://www.facebook.com/photo/?fbid=353898270572322&amp;set=pcb.353896027239213</a>

## 10. Media coverage and visibility

### Number of posts on social networks



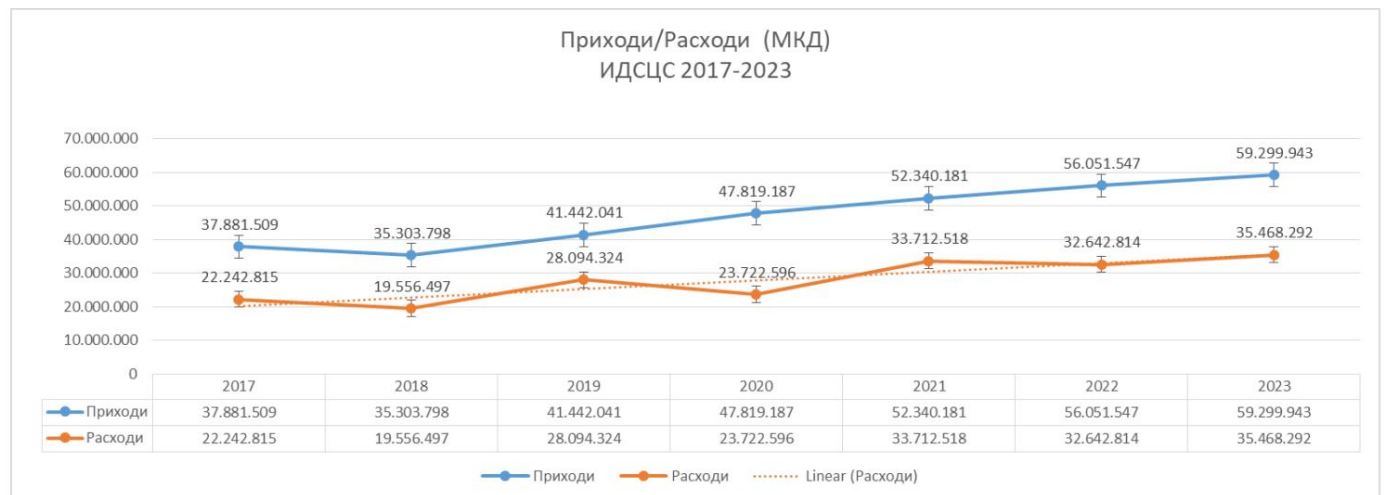
## Number of followers on social networks



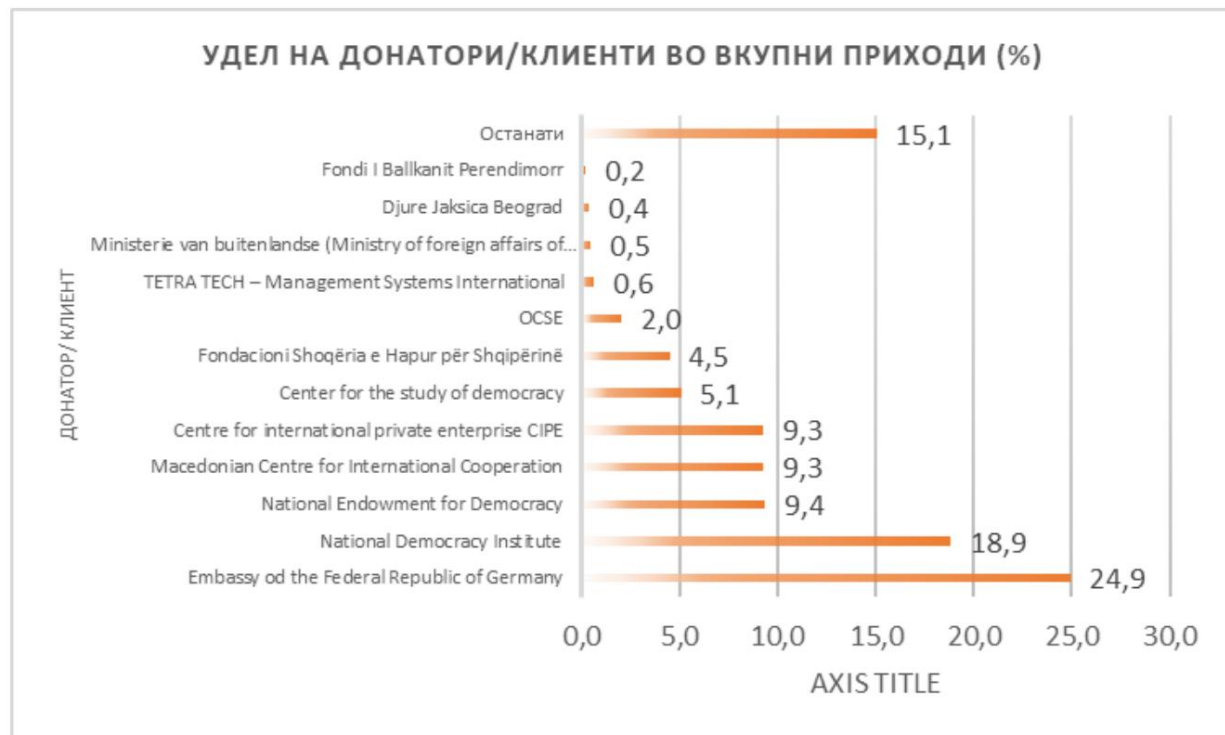
## 11. Conducted surveys of public opinion 2023

Conducted public opinion surveys (IDSCS) 2022	Implementation period
Participation of women from the communities in the public and political life of Northern Macedonia (field survey/ national sample)	February - March 2023
Perceptions of the public about the work of the Parliament (Field survey/ National sample)	February - April 2023
Konrad Adenauer – Annual survey on EU perceptions (Telephone survey national sample)	October-November 2023
Public Perceptions of Political Parties (Governance with Integrity) (Field Survey National Sample)	November-December 2023
Telephone business survey with companies operating in the activity of retail sale of food products	October-December 2023
Research on citizens' perceptions of corruption - focus groups	July 2023

## 12. Financial Report 2023



Surplus of income over expenses from the previous year, which was carried over to 2023, is included in the total income and amounts to 23,253,195 mkd. Consequently, the net income for 2023 without this item amounts to MKD 36,046,748.



Donor/Client	Thousands of denars	%
Embassy of the Federal Republic of Germany	8,987	24.9
National Democracy Institute	6,796	18.9
National Endowment for Democracy	3,375	9.4
Macedonian Center for International Cooperation	3,352	9.3
Center for international private enterprise CIPE	3,337	9.3
Center for the study of democracy	1,826	5.1
Fondacioni Shoqëria e Hapur për Shqipërië	1,616	4.5
OCSE	736	2.0
TETRA TECH – Management Systems International	227	0.6
Ministerie van buitenlandse (Ministry of foreign affairs of Netherlands)	165	0.5
Djure Jaksica Beograd	129	0.4
Fondi I Ballkanit Perendimorr	71	0.2
The rest	5,429	15.1
In total	36,046	100%