

ENEMO GENERAL ASSEMBLY 2018



The General Assembly of ENEMO is a gathering of member organizations, held once a year. It is an opportunity for the organizations to discuss current issues, ongoing and upcoming missions etc. In 2018, the Assembly was held in Njivice, Herceg Novi, Montenegro and lasted from the 4th - 7th of October.

To reiterate, the Ministry of Public Administration in Montenegro made a decision on April 11th, which states that in the Register of Non-Governmental Associations, European Network of Election Monitoring Organizations is registered under the serial number 8964. ENEMO registered in Montenegro is the only ENEMO ever registered with the actual Constitutional Protocol. It is functioning fully in accordance with its Constitutional Protocol and the national legal system of Montenegro.

Representatives of 20 organizations were present. The General Secretary of ENEMO, Zlatko Vujovic, presented ENEMO's activities since the GA 2017. A presentation was also given, and a discussion was held about the communication & fundraising strategy of ENEMO. Overall Goal of ENEMO's fundraising strategy is ensuring financial sustainability for institutional strengthening and expansion of activities. It was concluded that ENEMO should move away from ad-hoc funding from its donors and ensure that it receives long-term financing to sustain itself administratively and operationally.

For long-term sustainability, the ideal outcome would be for ENEMO to obtain special relationship status with the EU and act as a partner in carrying out election observation, engagement in electoral reforms and other related activities in different countries within and outside of Europe at the request of the EU.

The Centre for Monitoring and Research (CeMI), as the General Secretary, completed the activities and achieved results as planned in the strategic documents and promised to ENEMO's donors – including registration and further institutionalization.

At the GA, the Civil Network OPORA became a full member, while 6 organizations later submitted the request for consultative membership - Society for Democratic Culture (SDC), Obcianske OKO, Committee of Voters of Ukraine (CVU), Election Monitoring and Democratic Studies Center (EMDS), Foundation for Support of Civic Initiatives (FSCI), Coalition for Democracy and Civil Society, and became consultative members with the right to appoint members to EOMs.

EOM TO ARMENIA SUCCESSFULLY CONDUCTED

ELECTIONS IN ARMENIA

Early parliamentary elections in Armenia were held on 9 December 2018 and ENEMO observed the elections in this country for the first time. The mission was supported by the European Union and the Kingdom of the Netherlands.

ENEMO opened the international observation mission for parliamentary elections in Armenia at the beginning of November 2018. ENEMO EOM, with Zlatko Vujovic as the Head of Mission, consisted of 6 Core Team members, 8 Long-Term Observers (LTOs) and 60 Short-Term Observers (STOs).

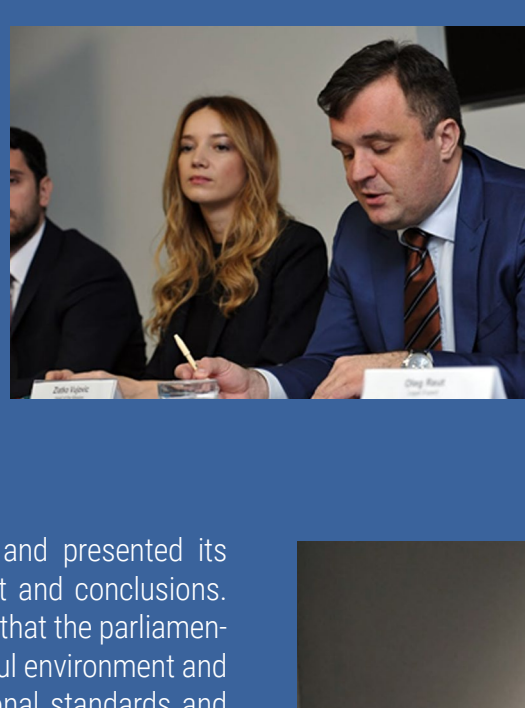
For the mission in Armenia, ENEMO had for the first time standardized, adequate both electronic and printed versions of LTO and STO guides. In the STO guide, all available information about CT members, LTOs and STOs was listed, including member organizations that STOs belong to. Information about members of the mission will be listed in the Final Report. All of this will become standard practice in other missions.

EOM to Armenia will be subjected to external evaluation and all reports will be available to member organizations.

ENEMO EOM ACTIVITIES

21 November

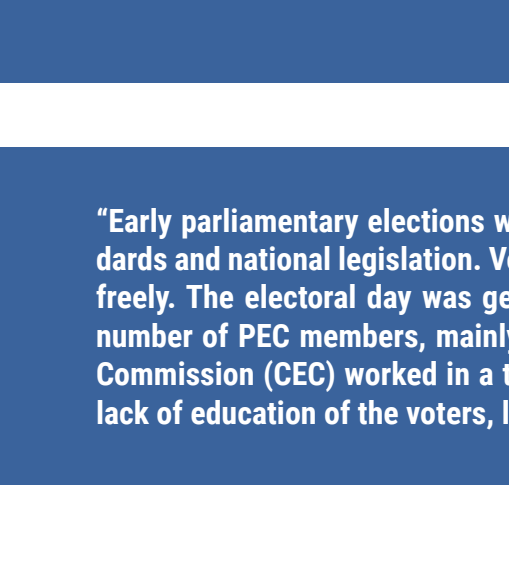
Head of the Mission, Zlatko Vujovic, participated in the Press Conference organized by the Delegation of the European Union to Armenia. HoM signed the grant contract with the EU Ambassador to Armenia Piotr Świtalski.



4 December

ENEMO presented its interim report and assessed the first part of the electoral campaign as calm and peaceful. You can download the report here: [InterimReportArmenia](#)

- ENEMO delegates met with the First Deputy Prime Minister of Armenia Ararat Mirzoyan and welcomed the decision for the invitation to observe early parliamentary elections in the country.



10 December

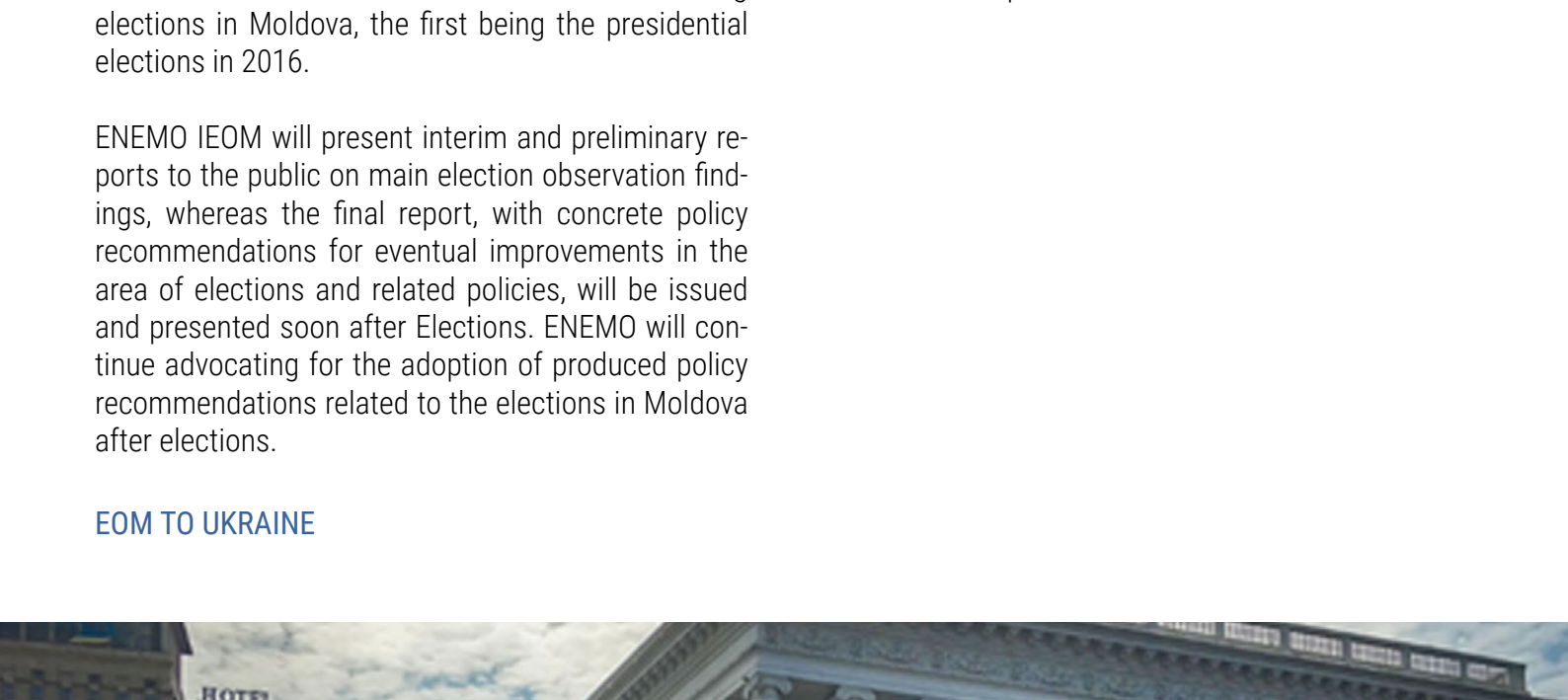
ENEMO held a press conference and presented its preliminary post-election statement and conclusions. Head of the ENEMO Mission, noted that the parliamentary elections were held in a peaceful environment and in compliance with most international standards and national legislation. You can download the Statement of preliminary findings here: [StatementofPreliminaryFindingsandConclusions](#)



“Early parliamentary elections were held in a peaceful environment and in line with most international standards and national legislation. Voters had a variety of candidates on their disposal who were able to campaign freely. The electoral day was generally orderly with occasional breaches of the established procedure by a number of PEC members, mainly due to lack of information about certain procedures. The Central Election Commission (CEC) worked in a timely and efficient manner. However, unfinished electoral reform, as well as lack of education of the voters, leave space for concern”.

EOM TO MOLDOVA AND UKRAINE

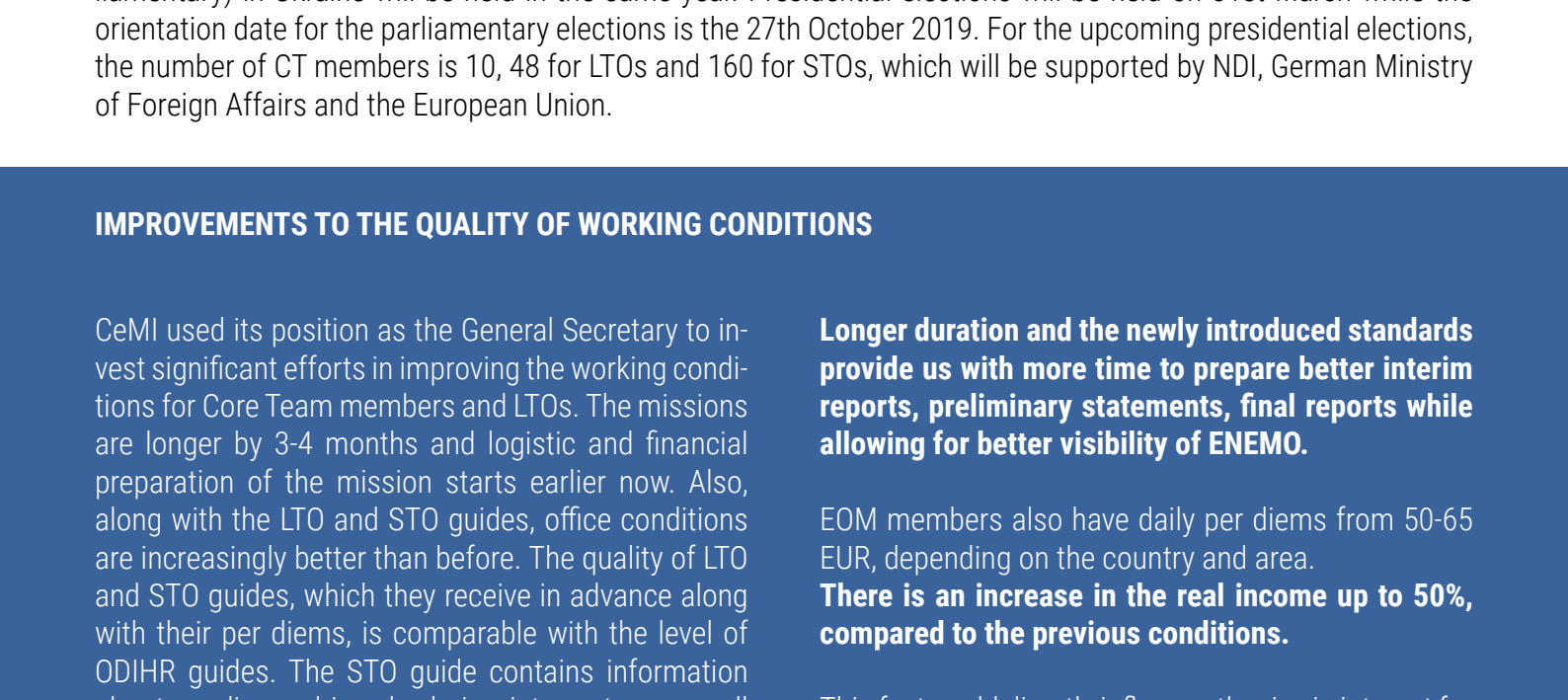
EOM TO MOLDOVA



Parallel with the mission in Armenia, ENEMO started conducting the mission in Moldova. The parliamentary elections in Moldova will be held on the 24th of February 2019. The mission consists of 8 CT members and 10 LTOs. This is the second time ENEMO is observing elections in Moldova, the first being the presidential elections in 2016.

ENEMO IEOM will present interim and preliminary reports to the public on main election observation findings, whereas the final report, with concrete policy recommendations for eventual improvements in the area of elections and related policies, will be issued and presented soon after Elections. ENEMO will continue advocating for the adoption of produced policy recommendations related to the elections in Moldova after elections.

EOM TO UKRAINE



The second time since ENEMO has been observing elections, both processes of elections (presidential and parliamentary) in Ukraine will be held in the same year. Presidential elections will be held on 31st March while the orientation date for the parliamentary elections is the 27th October 2019. For the upcoming presidential elections, the number of CT members is 10, 48 for LTOs and 160 for STOs, which will be supported by NDI, German Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the European Union.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE QUALITY OF WORKING CONDITIONS

CeMI used its position as the General Secretary to invest significant efforts in improving the working conditions for Core Team members and LTOs. The missions are longer by 3-4 months and logistic and financial preparation of the mission starts earlier now. Also, along with the LTO and STO guides, office conditions are increasingly better than before. The quality of LTO and STO guides, which they receive in advance along with their per diems, is comparable with the level of ODIHR guides. The STO guide contains information about per diems, drivers' salaries, interpreters, as well as a list of CT members' LTOs, STOs and their countries of origin – all of which contribute to transparency and helps them in their work.

Longer duration and the newly introduced standards provide us with more time to prepare better interim reports, preliminary statements, final reports while allowing for better visibility of ENEMO.

EOM members also have daily per diems from 50-65 EUR, depending on the country and area. **There is an increase in the real income up to 50%, compared to the previous conditions.**

This fact could directly influence the rise in interest for different positions and allow ENEMO to have better CT members and LTOs.

FUNDRAISING

ENEMO registered in Montenegro has a PADOR number and it is registered as the only entity receiving direct funding from EU and US funds. ENEMO was directly financed by the EU for the mission to Armenia. A second project funded by the EU, in which ENEMO has the status of co-applicant, is related to capacity building of TIAC. Furthermore, ENEMO is directly funded by the National Endowment for Democracy.

ENEMO has directly signed projects in the value of almost 500 000 USD (350 000 EUR and 89 000 USD). In a short period of time, we have built a serious track record and put in action ENEMO's organizational capacities for fundraising, done by ENEMO directly – not by a host organization anymore.

All of this means that next EOMs and other projects in 2019, will be directly fundraised by ENEMO, not by the General Secretary organization.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- Electronic database** – ENEMO started designing an electronic database that is going to contain all the necessary information about observers (CT, LTOs, STOs), suppliers (interpreters, experts, drivers, companies – private and legal entities) that were engaged by ENEMO, including their history of engagement along with evaluation scores.

- Database of experts** – ENEMO is implementing the first capacity-building project and will be issuing a call for experts in the first half of 2019, who will be selected based on those available in the database.

- ENEMO annual report** – ENEMO will be issuing an annual report for 2018, the first one of its kind. It will be used not only to promote ENEMO but also ENEMO member organizations and their activities. The annual report can become a strong tool for fundraisings since it will be distributed to stakeholders and donors in order to properly present what a successful group of organizations ENEMO is. It will contain a lot of reportage from EOMs, member organizations' election monitoring projects and information regarding the finances of ENEMO and member organizations as well.

- Next GA** – The next GA will be crucial for the further development of ENEMO. Work on Constitutional Protocol reform and development of the Strategic Plan will precede the GA. The GA should be longer, with more participants in order to appoint new leadership, work on the new Constitutional Protocol and the Strategic Plan. That should be followed by the adoption of internal policies, such as a financial and procurement protocol and other rules and procedures. GA will be held in the second half of 2019.

