"Sharing Best Practices in Introducing and Teaching Ethics Principles to Public Administration Employees"

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In June 2012 project partners met in premises of Hochschule für Wirtschaft und Recht in Berlin to discuss a development in project's activities.

The first part of the meeting was dedicated to technical issues such as the interim report and items that should be included, considered information materials about the project or means of dissemination, which mainly comprise a presentation of papers at conferences and seminars and release of articles in specialized public administration periodicals.

Furthermore, representatives of the Institute for Public Administration Prague presented the issue of ethics in public administration from the European perspective especially focusing on the Code of Good Administrative Behaviour and OECD principles of ethics. Simultaneously, recently adopted Code of Ethics for civils servants in the Czech Republic and its provisions were presented as well.

In the second part of the meeting, representatives of KSAP introduced a part of their research. Beside general facts about the system of public administration in Poland, KSAP training processes in public administration as well as specifically in ethics were described. The following presentation of principles set in the Polish Code of Ethics provided an interesting comparison with the Czech document. The subsequent insight was dedicated to differences between and education and training in ethics and related methods applied on the university level in Poland.

Finally, the structure and items involved in the public administration chapter of the final study were agreed. For the upcoming meeting we will also have to the disposal a structured material about the issue of ethics in public administration in all participating countries.

The next multilateral meeting is going to take place in October in the premises of KSAP.