



European Commission analytical reports on Ukraine, Moldova, and Georgia's alignment with the EU acquis.

On February 2, 2023, the analytical findings¹ from the European Commission evaluating Georgia, the Republic of Moldova, and Ukraine's ability to fulfill the requirements of EU membership were published. This analytical report is supplementary and completes the Commission's Opinion² on countries application for membership of the EU adopted on June 17, 2022. The studies offer a thorough review of the countries' compliance with the EU acquis, the bloc's set of universal rights and obligations. This analytical analysis gives a quick and in depth overview of the situation in terms of the three nations' ability to fulfill their EU membership commitments. The reports provide insightful advice on the tasks to be completed under the various acquis chapters. All three applicants were assessed on the basis of the same criteria and their own merits.

The report uses the following assessment scales³ to describe the state of play: early stage, some level of preparation, moderately prepared, good level of preparation and welladvanced.

Assessment levels:

E - early level of preparation

S - some level of preparation

M - moderate level of preparation

G - good level of preparation

W- welladvanced

¹ https://neighbourhood-enlargement.ec.europa.eu/news/european-commission-publishes-analytical-reports-ukraine-moldova-and-georgias-alignment-eu-acquis-2023-02-02_en

² https://ec.europa.eu/commission/presscorner/detail/en/IP_22_3790

³ https://www.eeas.europa.eu/delegations/georgia/commission-staff-working-document-analytical-report-following-communication_en#:~:text=The%20report%20uses%20the%20following,of%20preparation%20and%20welladvanced.

Chapter	Country		
	Georgia	Moldova	Ukraine
Justice, freedom and security	S	S	S
Statistics (public procurement)	S	S	S
Financial control	S	E	E
Free movement of goods	S	S	M
Free movement of workers	E	E	E
Freedom of establishment and to provide services	M	S	S
Free movement of capital	M	S	S
Company law	S	S	S
Intellectual property rights	S	S	E
Competition policy	E	S	S
Financial services	S	E	S
Consumer protection and public health	S	S	S
Digital transformation and media	S	S	M
Taxation	S	E	S
Economic and monetary policy	M	S	M
Social policy and employment	S	E	E
Enterprise and industrial policy	M	S	S
Science and research	M	M	M
Education and culture	M	S	S
Customs union	M	S	G
Transport policy	S	S	S
Energy	S	S	G
Trans-European networks	S	S	S
Environment and climate change	E	E	E
Agriculture and rural development	E	E	E

Food safety, veterinary and phytosanitary policy	S	S	M
Fisheries	S	E	E
Regional policy	E	E	S
Own resources system	E	E	E
External relations	M	M	G
Foreign, security and defence policy	M	M	G

As it was mentioned above head, this is a supplementary Report to the Commission's Opinion. Due to the Report Ukraine is leader in the following acquis chapters: Customs union, energy, external relations, foreign, security and defense policy with the "good level of preparation". Two other countries, Georgia and Moldova, are behind it. This means that these two countries should intensify their activities to implement homework and cooperate with EC to fulfil the obligations of EU membership. Based on the report, none of the countries has an assessment level of welladvanced in any chapter. Conclusion is that all three countries, Ukraine, Georgia and Moldova still have a long way to go before EU membership.

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