Project Summary

Project Background
One main objective of the Mongolian government’s policy is to restructure the state to create a modern market economy. The development of an appropriate legal system is an important building block in this context. In the process, the government has to ensure that the legislation brings different political interests into harmony with market requirements. The process of establishing laws has to be based on recognised standards of lawmaking and enforcement. However, instruments and methods placing sectoral legal policies in a coordinated context are currently lacking in Mongolia.

Project Objectives
Legal and judicial policy forms the framework for the institutional interaction of the market and politics. The processes of creating and enforcing legislation are more effective.

Project Activities
In its first phase, the project introduced and tests necessary instruments and methods for improved and more effective development and enforcement of laws and justice. The drafting of legal and judicial policy was promoted by recording the consensus-building process. The project provided for the necessary capacity development. Instruments and methods to improve the quality of public standards and to enhance the effectiveness and accountability of the judiciary were introduced and implemented.

Implementation Features
The cross-sectoral project took a combined approach. Support was given to the institutions responsible for providing suitable workflows and structures for better legislation. These methods and instruments were transferred to other supported programmes and projects. The project supported reform processes in the areas of legislation and the judiciary. It contributed to adapting the Mongolian legal and judicial systems to the structures of a constitutional state and of a market economy. The intermediaries were management personnel and experts at the partner ministry, as well as other players, particularly the Supreme Court and the Public Prosecutor, but also courts of appeal and courts of first instance, the National Legal Centre and relevant professional associations.

Services Provided
• Development of results-based monitoring for the project
• Training for partners (Department for M&E in the Ministry of Justice) to research design and analysis (incl. SPSS) incl. questionnaire design
• Introduction of project staff into results-based Monitoring
• Support in the development of a manual: Results-based Monitoring for Law projects
• Advisory Services to Gender aspects