

GRECO Urges Poland to Make Progress in Anti-Corruption Reform

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Following a meeting with senior officials of the Polish government and parliament on 28 November 2025, a [GRECO delegation urged the Polish authorities](#) to implement the open recommendations made during the fourth and fifth evaluation rounds as they are essential for ensuring full alignment with the Council of Europe's anti-corruption standards. GRECO's delegation, headed by its President *David Meyer*, noted that reform had stalled during the national-conservative PiS government, but that it is important to achieve tangible results in anti-corruption reform.

During the 4th evaluation round, GRECO expressed several concerns over the 2017 judicial reform entailing increased influence of the legislative and executive branches over the judiciary ([→eucri](#)m 1/2013, 13). During the 5th evaluation round, GRECO found fault with the limited progress in strengthening the integrity framework for people in senior executive roles in government, as well as with anti-corruption efforts within law enforcement authorities ([→eucri](#)m 1/2019, 44). According to GRECO, more rapid action is needed to restore judicial independence and reinforce government integrity.

GRECO will further assess the measures taken by the Polish authorities under the 4th and 5th evaluation rounds in 2026 and 2027, respectively.

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