

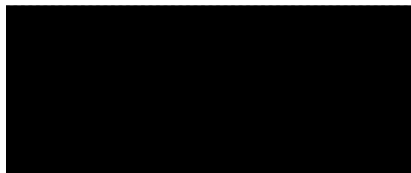


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Kyrgyz Republic Parliamentary Strengthening Program

USAID and DFID support the Kyrgyz Republic's transition to a parliamentary form of government.



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The Kyrgyz Republic Parliamentary Strengthening Program (KPSP) is a five-year technical assistance initiative funded by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) and the United Kingdom Department for International Development (DFID). An assessment immediately following parliamentary elections in October 2010 led to the design for a full-fledged program to support the Kyrgyz Republic's transition to its new parliamentary form of government. After two years of successful work, additional support from DFID has allowed the program to respond to new challenges and needs in 2013-2015 and significantly contribute to legislative and institutional parliamentary capacity building.

KPSP consists of the following four components:

- Component 1: Improved legislative processes
- Component 2: Strengthened parliamentary committees
- Component 3: Improved quality information flow on parliamentary activities among the Parliament, civil society, and citizens
- Component 4: Improved human resources management through the Parliament's Administration

Over the past three years, KPSP has initiated and assisted in organizing and conducting (with and through parliamentary partners) over 180 different programmatic events, including 80 training sessions and presentations; 30 public forums; 64 policy seminars and working groups; two video conferences; a School of Parliamentary Journalism; a Training Center for Legislative Drafting; a Kyrgyz-Russian Dictionary of Legislative Terms; and study tours to the United States, United Kingdom, Mongolia, Malaysia, Germany, Hungary, and Turkey. These initiatives addressed a variety of topics crucial for parliamentary development and capacity building, across sectors such as good governance, economic issues, or social problems. These events have been attended in aggregate by 8,600 persons, including over 3,800 women.

KPSP is implemented by Development Alternatives, Incorporated (DAI) and will run through September 2015.