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The Investment Council (IC) facilitates the development of mutual trust between the business community and government in Albania and contributes to an incremental institutionalisation of effective policy dialogue. It contributes to the national reform and economic transition process by enhancing institutions, laws, and policies that promote market functioning and efficiency.

IC is chaired by the minister responsible for the economy and composed of representatives from the government, the private sector, and development partners.

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"It is a pleasure to resume my role as Chair of the Investment Council and continue the dialogue with representatives of the business community and public institutions at a time that is expected to be challenging for the Albanian economy. The year ahead will require stronger communication, cooperation, and coordination among all stakeholders, particularly in relation to the implementation of new laws, standards, and requirements linked to economic development and the business environment.

These processes represent a significant challenge for Albanian businesses and the economy as a whole, but they also present an important opportunity for growth and development. In this context, the Investment Council's analytical work, surveys, and recommendations play an important role in enhancing our understanding of existing challenges and identifying ways in which we can work together to address them effectively."

Ms Delina Ibrahimaj
Chair of the Investment Council
Minister of Economy and Innovation
4 December 2025

KEY OBJECTIVES FOR 2025

In line with the Investment Council's (IC) mission to strengthen public–private dialogue and support evidence-based reforms aimed at improving the investment climate, the Secretariat's activities during 2025 focused on the following key pillars:

ALIGNING THE IC AGENDA WITH INVESTMENT CLIMATE PRIORITIES AND EU INTEGRATION
An agenda oriented towards the strategic priorities of the investment climate and the European integration process, supported by a systematic consultation and data-driven analytical approach, with a focus on the digitalisation of local public services for businesses and the improvement of the overall business environment.

STRENGTHENING COOPERATION BETWEEN LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND THE PRIVATE SECTOR IN THE DIGITALISATION OF LOCAL SERVICES
Engagement of local government representatives and the business community across the country in IC processes, expanding the consultation model at the local level and promoting broader, more inclusive, and balanced participation in public–private dialogue.

CONSOLIDATING STRUCTURED AND EVIDENCE-BASED DIALOGUE ON THE COUNTRY'S EU INTEGRATION PROCESS
Promoting dialogue through the integration of analytical work, business survey findings, and structured consultations, ensuring that IC discussions and outputs are evidence-based and oriented towards practical solutions in key areas of economic development.

ADVOCACY OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND EXPANSION OF STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT
Promoting the implementation of IC recommendations at both national and international levels through continued engagement with EU institutions, development partners, and private sector stakeholders, while strengthening the IC's role as a reference platform for investment climate reforms.

MONITORING PROGRESS AND STRENGTHENING INSTITUTIONAL TRANSPARENCY
Continuous updating of the database underpinning the IC Recommendation Monitoring System, alongside regular progress reporting aimed at enhancing transparency and institutional accountability in the reform process.

INTRODUCTION

The Investment Council (IC) Activity Report 2025 coincides with a year of particular institutional significance, marking the 10th anniversary of the Council's establishment and a decade of commitment to promoting structured public–private dialogue in Albania. Over this period, the IC has consolidated its role as a tripartite platform bringing together government, the private sector, and international partners, making a sustained contribution to improving the investment climate and advancing evidence-based reforms.

During 2025, in the context of an intensified reform agenda, progress in the European integration process, and growing requirements for alignment with EU Single Market standards, the IC maintained its role as a mechanism for dialogue and public policy coordination. Through engagement with public institutions, the business community, and development partners, the Council supported the identification of reform priorities and the formulation of recommendations grounded in evidence and inclusive consultations.

Despite a more limited schedule of plenary meetings during the year, due to major political developments including the parliamentary elections, stakeholder engagement was maintained through technical consultations, thematic analyses, and structured dialogue. In this context, the IC continued to fulfil its monitoring and analytical functions, supporting transparency and accountability in the policymaking process.

KEY HIGHLIGHTS

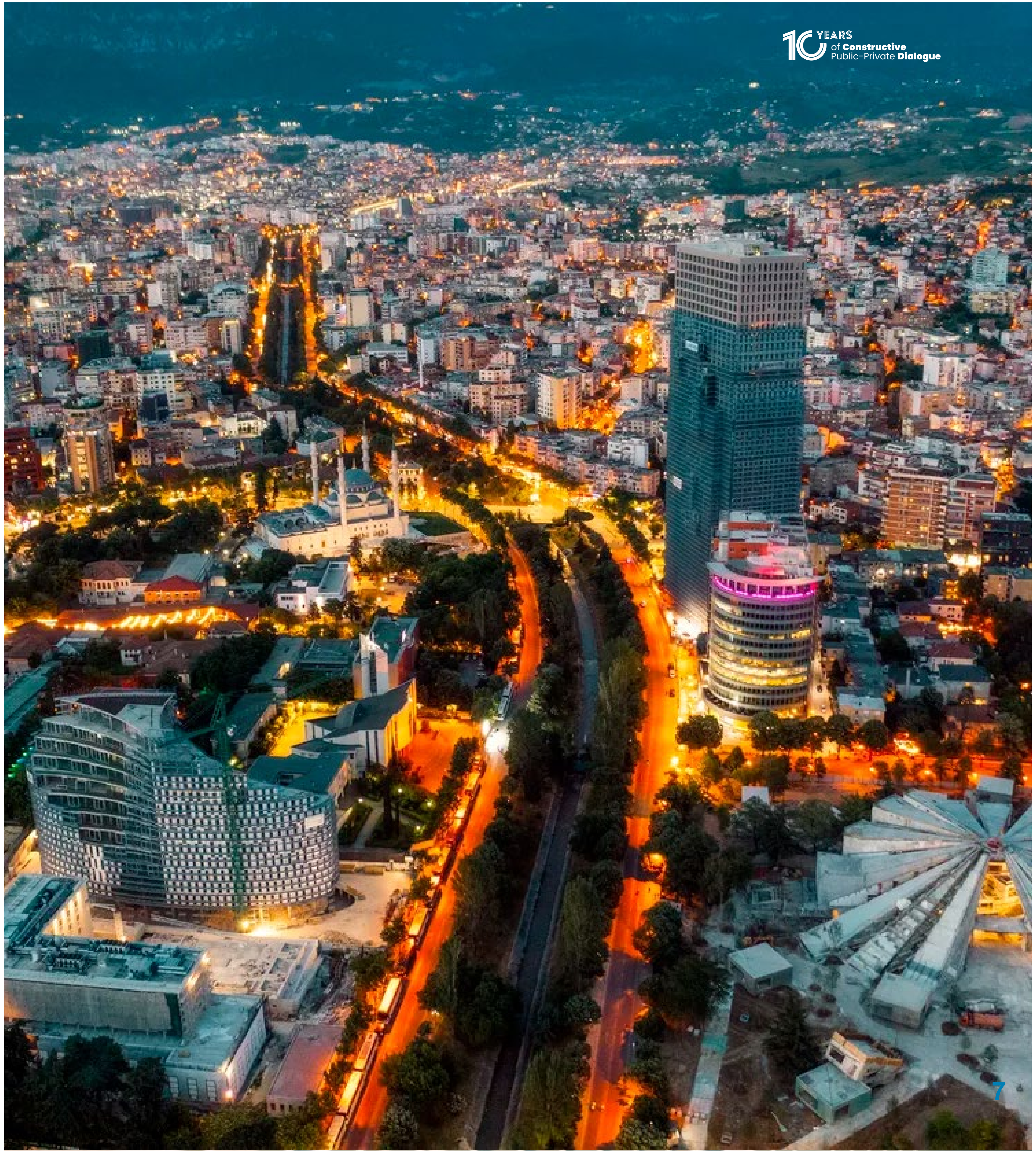
The IC's activities in 2025 focused on the digitalisation of local public services for businesses and raising business awareness of the requirements arising from the EU Growth Plan and Reform Agenda. One plenary meeting and seven technical roundtables were organised, bringing together representatives from the private sector and public institutions and generating recommendations aimed at improving digital services for businesses.

Cooperation with local government was expanded through engagement with several municipalities, strengthening the local dimension of dialogue on investment and economic development. At the same time, the IC enhanced its contribution to the European integration process and the EU Growth Plan through participation in high-level forums and regional and European platforms, including CEI and SEECP, as well as through the development of evidence-based analysis in these areas.

In the field of regulatory compliance, awareness-raising activities were organised in cooperation with the Commissioner for the Right to Information and Protection of Personal Data (IDP) and the Competition Authority, focusing respectively on GDPR-related requirements and competition issues. The IC Secretariat was also appointed by the State Agency for Strategic Programming and Aid Coordination (SASPAC) as an observer to the National Growth Plan Monitoring Platform, further strengthening its institutional role in monitoring reform implementation.

Throughout the year, the Council's analytical work was supported by six technical analyses and two nationwide business surveys involving 351 companies, enabling the formulation of recommendations grounded in both evidence and stakeholder participation.

In December 2025, the IC Secretariat received recognition at the CCIT Awards from the Tirana Chamber of Commerce and Industry for its contribution to promoting reforms and improving Albania's business climate. The Council's 10th anniversary was also celebrated through a high-level event attended by representatives of public institutions, the business community, and international partners.



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TIMELINE OF KEY ACTIVITIES in 2025

01 January

02 February

- Strengthened cooperation with academia through participation in the "Tung Ideas" competition organised by Epoka University
- Consultative meetings on business challenges related to digital services at the local level in Elbasan, Korçë, Kolonjë, Durrës, Lushnje, and Tirana

03 March

- Dialogue with the private sector on the New Personal Data Protection Law
- Contribution to the regional meeting "The Common Regional Market – An Accelerated Path towards European Integration"

04 April

- Focus Group: "Digitalisation of Local Services for Businesses"
- Publication of the 2024 Recommendation Monitoring Report
- Publication of the "Overview of Albania's Macroeconomic Indicators 2024"

05 May

- Membership in the Reform Agenda Platform led by civil society organisations

06 June

- Study visit to Brussels on inclusiveness and transparency in the reform process
- Presentation on the business climate to the Swiss private sector at the Embassy of Switzerland
- Publication of the IC Activity Report 2024

07 July

- Contribution to Public Administration Week 2025
- Publication of the report "Progress on IC Recommendations: January–June 2025"
- Publication of the "Overview of Albania's Macroeconomic Indicators: January–June 2025"

08 August

- Publication of the Semi-Annual Recommendation Monitoring Report: January–June 2025

09 September

10 October

- Publication of the Technical Note: "Digitalisation of Local Public Services for Businesses"
- Celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the Investment Council

11 November

- Publication of the video "Investment Council: 10 Years of Public–Private Dialogue"
- Contribution to the CEI/SEECP Seminar "Sustainable Economic Growth"
- Co-organisation, together with the Competition Authority and UNCTAD, of an event on compliance manuals for business associations

12 December

- Investment Council meeting on the digitalisation of local public services and access to the European Single Market
- Publication of the survey findings "On Some Aspects of the Investment Climate –

INVESTMENT CLIMATE

Albania's economy continued to record positive growth in 2025, with Gross Domestic Product (GDP) **increasing by 3.79%,** reflecting the resilience of economic activity and domestic demand. Average inflation remained at **2.2%,** indicating overall price stability, while the labour market showed gradual improvement, with the unemployment rate declining to 8.3% in the fourth quarter of the year.

Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) inflows reached **EUR 1.63 billion,** while the total FDI stock increased by approximately 10%, reaching **EUR 16.99 billion.** Investment flows continued to be concentrated primarily in the real estate sector, with the Netherlands, Italy, and Kosovo remaining the leading sources of foreign investment.

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The year was also marked by the parliamentary elections, a major political development that influenced the pace of the institutional agenda and the broader consultation process.

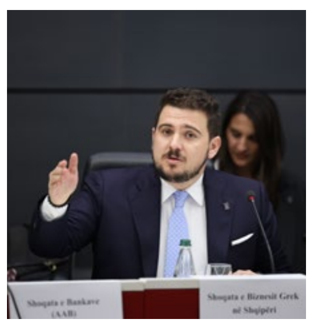
From a fiscal perspective, the 2025 budget was oriented towards maintaining fiscal discipline while supporting public investment, with the objective of sustaining economic growth and macroeconomic stability.

In the context of European integration, Albania continued to make progress in implementing the European Union Growth Plan, accompanied by the disbursement of EUR 99.3 million in support of priority reforms. At the same time, efforts continued to align national legislation with the EU acquis, including the advancement of the new legal framework for inspections and the strengthening of regulatory mechanisms.

At the institutional level, the establishment of the Ministry of Economy and Innovation (MEI) reinforced the government's focus on innovation and digitalisation policies. In parallel, a framework for the screening of foreign investments in sensitive sectors was proposed on grounds of national security and public order, while several fiscal and regulatory measures generated discussion regarding their potential impact on the business climate and market competition.

MEETING OF INVESTMENT COUNCIL






DIGITALISATION OF LOCAL PUBLIC SERVICES FOR BUSINESSES

The digital transformation of administrative services remains a complex process, particularly at the local level, where progress is uneven and characterised by varying capacities in human resources, technology, infrastructure, and institutional organisation. While the Government has taken important steps to advance digitalisation at both national and local levels, the full potential of this process also depends on the engagement of other stakeholders, including the private sector as a key partner.

The discussion focused on businesses' experiences and current challenges, as well as their expectations regarding local digital services. In particular, participants addressed: (i) administrative burdens and the cost–benefit balance of accessing public services; (ii) the identification of priority local services for digitalisation; and (iii) the strengthening of fiscal communication and transparency, including notification and appeals mechanisms, as well as improvements to electronic permitting procedures.

KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

- Local government authorities should establish clear objectives and performance indicators for business services, integrating the quality of digital services into strategic, budgetary and operational planning, as well as into monitoring and reporting systems.
- A gradual and well-coordinated transition towards the digitalisation of local services should be ensured, accompanied by physical support counters for small businesses. In the initial phase, priority should be given to the digitalisation of core services, including information provision, declarations, registrations, payments, appeals and certifications, as well as their integration with the e-Albania platform.
- The digitalisation process at the local level should be supported by a clear regulatory framework, ensuring personal data protection, cybersecurity standards, and compliance with applicable legal and ethical requirements.
- Support mechanisms for the digital transformation of businesses, particularly SMEs, should be strengthened through a more active role of chambers of commerce and business associations, in partnership with local authorities. This should promote the use of platforms such as e-Albania while helping reduce administrative and bureaucratic burdens.

The digitalisation of local government services and communication with businesses should be effective, practical, and deliver measurable results, supported by a clear cost–benefit analysis. Despite the progress achieved, a number of services remain incomplete or fragmented, highlighting the need for stronger institutional capacities, staff training, and greater accountability in the management of digital systems. Greater transparency and clarity are also needed in the implementation of local taxes, together with a more strategic approach to local economic development. Reform and digitalisation efforts should ultimately translate into tangible and measurable improvements for businesses and citizens.

Mr Nikolin Jaka
Chair, Tirana Chamber of Commerce and Industry, 4 December 2025

TECHNICAL CONSULTATIONS

Consultative Meetings on Business Challenges at the Local Level

As part of the preparations for the upcoming IC meeting, the Secretariat conducted consultations with representatives of the business community and local government authorities in the municipalities of Tirana, Elbasan, Korça, Kolonja, Durrës, and Lushnjë. Discussions focused on challenges related to the delivery of administrative services at the local level, including the need to accelerate digitalisation, expand the use of electronic platforms to reduce bureaucracy, assess experiences with existing services (including one-stop shops and e-permits), enhance readiness for the digital transition, and strengthen transparency in business–municipality interactions.

Roundtable on the Personal Data Protection Law

In cooperation with the Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection (IDP) and the Foreign Investors Association of Albania (FIAA), the IC Secretariat organised a consultation with more than 40 private sector representatives on Law No. 124/2024 "On Personal Data Protection". The discussion focused on raising awareness of legal rights and obligations, as well as identifying practical challenges related to implementation. Participants highlighted the need for stronger inter-institutional cooperation and technical support to facilitate compliance with the new legal framework and EU standards.

Promoting a Culture of Competition: Compliance Manuals for Business Associations

The Competition Authority and UNCTAD, in cooperation with the IC Secretariat, presented new competition law compliance manuals for business associations. The session, entitled "From Risk to Opportunity: Compliance for Business Associations", was moderated by the Head of the Secretariat, Dr Diana Leka (Angoni), and brought together international experts and business representatives. Discussions highlighted the importance of integrity, transparency, and preparing enterprises to compete effectively in the EU Single Market. Developed by UNCTAD with the support of EBRD and SECO, the manual provides practical guidance for the design and implementation of competition compliance programmes.

10 YEARS OF THE INVESTMENT COUNCIL

A Decade of Partnership for Improving the Business Climate

22 October 2025

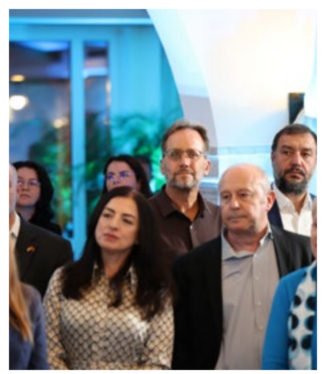
The IC marked the 10th anniversary of its establishment through a high-level event attended by approximately 100 representatives from government, parliament, the private sector, and international development partners. The event provided an opportunity to reflect on a decade of structured public–private dialogue and the Council's contribution to improving the business climate through more than 350 recommendations that have supported reforms across key policy areas.

Representatives of the Government, EBRD, the Swiss Embassy, and the business community acknowledged the IC's role as a trusted platform for dialogue and cooperation, highlighting its contribution to advancing reforms and supporting Albania's European integration process.

Documentary Video: 10 Years of Public–Private Dialogue

10th Anniversary Celebration (video) – 22 October 2025

10th Anniversary Photo Gallery



RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTED IN 2025

Since its establishment in 2015, the IC has adopted **357 recommendations** aimed at improving Albania's investment climate. Monitoring of their implementation indicates moderate overall progress, with tangible results achieved in several reform areas, while structural and institutional challenges continue to affect implementation in others.

IMPLEMENTATION STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS (2015-2025)

29.1%	21.6%	17.4%	31.9%
fully implemented	partially implemented	in progress	not implemented

KEY AREAS OF PROGRESS IN 2025

During 2025, the most notable progress was recorded in access to finance for SMEs, with the expansion of support instruments through guarantee schemes and cooperation with international financial institutions, improving access to credit. However, the participation of women entrepreneurs remains relatively limited.

In the area of innovation and digitalisation, further steps were taken to strengthen the SME support ecosystem, including the development of new mechanisms such as the European Digital Innovation Hubs (EDIHs). Additional institutional and financial support will be needed to enhance their effectiveness and long-term sustainability.

In the field of trade and internationalisation, progress was made in the fiscal framework and the digitalisation of payments, reflected in the increased use of electronic payment instruments and improved formalisation in certain segments of the economy. At the same time, the strategic framework supporting exporters advanced through new programmes and the Export Albania platform, although challenges remain regarding certification capacities and technical infrastructure.

Within the financial sector, the expansion of digital banking services and the opening of the market to new financial service providers, including the licensing of Albania's first Open Banking institution, represented important steps towards greater competition and financial inclusion.

In the area of property rights and cadastre reform, implementation of the digitalisation roadmap continued, alongside the expansion of online services through the e-Albania platform. These efforts have contributed to improved transparency and legal certainty, although the reform process remains ongoing.

During 2025, 24 recommendations were assessed as having received follow-up action, of which 15 were considered implemented and 9 were at an initial stage of implementation. Nevertheless, persistent challenges in the monitoring process remain, particularly regarding reporting and transparency by public institutions, as well as the measurement of policy and reform outcomes.

Overall, approximately 114 recommendations remain unimplemented, particularly in structural areas such as informality, property rights, and institutional coordination, highlighting the need to accelerate implementation efforts and strengthen inter-institutional cooperation.

Recommendations Monitoring Report 2025

STRENGTHENING REFORM IMPLEMENTATION

The implementation of IC recommendations has been supported through follow-on projects led by the European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD) and funded by the Swiss State Secretariat for Economic Affairs (SECO).

One such initiative focused on two complementary components: strengthening the advocacy capacities of business associations and chambers of commerce, and enhancing SMEs' internationalisation capabilities.

Under the first component, interviews and surveys were conducted with 20 business associations and chambers of commerce, leading to the preparation of a Needs Assessment Report to identify capacity-building priorities. This was followed by three workshops on policy advocacy techniques involving representatives from 8 chambers of commerce and business associations; two workshop series on public policy navigation; the development of communication toolkits for business associations; two training modules and related materials; and three "Training of Trainers" sessions focused on SME internationalisation.

STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

102
business representatives participated in the IC meeting and technical consultations

1
high-level IC meeting chaired by the Minister of Economy and Innovation, with the participation of the Minister of Local Government and a 79% member attendance rate

2
surveys covering **351 companies** – 23% with women CEOs

7
focus groups with 57 participants from local government, business, and independent experts

Gender representation:

62% **women** **38%** **men**

During 2025, stakeholder engagement within the IC remained at stable levels, reflecting broad and structured participation of the private sector, public institutions, and independent experts in consultative and technical processes.

The IC network of business associations and chambers currently represents the interests of approximately **1,250 companies.**

During the year, the Council's agenda was further expanded through cooperation with the Commissioner for the Right to Information and Personal Data Protection (IDP), the Competition Authority, and UNCTAD. These collaborations introduced new thematic areas, including personal data protection and compliance with competition rules (including guidance manuals for business associations), extending beyond the priorities formally adopted by the IC for 2025.

ADVOCACY AND AWARENESS

Academic Cooperation – "Tung Ideas" Competition (Epoka University)

28 February 2025

As part of its long-standing cooperation with Epoka University since 2017, the IC Secretariat served as a jury member in the "Tung Ideas 2025" competition. Students from various institutions presented innovative ideas and competed for the "Best Startup" award. The event provided a platform for promoting youth entrepreneurship and innovation, as well as for advancing the IC's approach to strengthening the innovation ecosystem through cooperation between academia, the private sector, and public institutions.

Contribution to the Regional Meeting "Regional Common Market – An Accelerated Path towards European Economic Integration"

26 March 2025

Within the framework of the regional meeting "Regional Common Market – An Accelerated Path towards European Economic Integration," organised by the Ministry of Economy and Innovation (MEI) under Albania's SEECP Presidency, the Head of the IC Secretariat contributed to a panel discussion on business challenges in the EU integration process. The intervention highlighted the need to support export-oriented sectors, strengthen alignment with EU standards, and promote policies that enhance quality, competitiveness, and business awareness of European regulatory requirements.

Presentation to the Swiss Private Sector on the Business Climate in Albania

17 June 2025

At the invitation of the Swiss Embassy and in an event organised by the Swiss Chamber of Commerce (SWISSA), the IC Secretariat presented key challenges of Albania's business climate, based on its analytical work on issues affecting the private sector. The event brought together entrepreneurs and professionals from the Swiss and Albanian business communities, providing a platform for exchange of ideas and the development of potential new partnerships.

Study Visit to Brussels: Inclusion and Transparency in Reform Processes

23-24 June 2025

As part of a study visit organised by the Centre for Dialogue and Integration (CDI), the Secretariat participated in a series of meetings in Brussels with EU institutions and civil society representatives, including DG ENEST, the European Parliament, the European Economic and Social Committee (EESC), and the Mission of Albania to the EU. The discussions focused on the Reform Agenda and the Growth and Reform Facility. The Secretariat presented the role of the IC as a tripartite platform for dialogue between government, business, and civil society, emphasising the importance of transparency and stakeholder inclusion in monitoring reforms under the Growth Plan.

Contribution to Youth Skills and Labour Market Readiness in the Context of EU Integration

2 July 2025

Within the second edition of Public Administration Week 2025, the Secretariat participated in the event "At the Heart of Integration: A Meeting with Negotiators," organised by the Minister of State for Public Administration and Anti-Corruption. The Head of the Secretariat emphasised the importance of preparing young people for the requirements of the EU labour market, the need to develop new skills aligned with digital transformation and the integration process, and the importance of labour market monitoring to address skills shortages. Drawing on IC analyses, it was highlighted that skills shortages remain a key concern for businesses, alongside the need for greater youth and entrepreneurial engagement in the EU integration process.

Meeting with the COELA Group of the Council of the European Union

10 October 2025

The Secretariat contributed to a meeting organised by the EU Delegation to Albania in the context of the visit of the COELA Working Party of the Council of the EU. Discussions highlighted Albania's competitive advantages for investment, including its strategic location, tax regime, natural resources, and human capital, as well as key challenges such as emigration, labour shortages, the need to strengthen rule of law, improve legal certainty in property rights, and enhance judicial efficiency. The meeting also addressed progress in public service digitalisation and the impact of reforms on the business climate.

Recognition of the IC Secretariat at the CCIT Awards 2025

17 December 2025

At the CCIT Awards 2025 ceremony, the IC Secretariat was recognised by the Tirana Chamber of Commerce and Industry for its contribution and sustained cooperation in promoting reforms and initiatives aimed at improving Albania's business climate. The event highlighted the importance of structured dialogue between public institutions and the private sector as a key factor in advancing economic reforms and preparing Albanian businesses for integration into the EU Single Market.

IC SURVEYS IN 2025

KEY FIGURES

2	351	3	80
Surveys conducted	Ccompanies surveyed	**Thematic areas covered:** Digitalisation of Local Public Services, Investment Climate, EU Integration	Women entrepreneurs included

During 2025, the IC continued its commitment to promoting evidence-based dialogue by conducting two comprehensive surveys with the participation of 351 companies. The surveys serve as a key instrument for collecting the perceptions and experiences of the business community, in line with the bottom-up approach applied by the IC since its establishment in 2015.

The findings focused on two main areas:

Business–municipality interaction in service delivery – Analysis of barriers in administrative services, digitalisation, bureaucratic burdens, transparency, and perceptions of corruption, with the aim of identifying opportunities to improve the local business climate and strengthen dialogue with local government.

Investment Climate – Assessment and comparison of business perceptions regarding tax administration, productivity, innovation, and SME challenges within the context of integration into the European Single Market, with the aim of identifying reform priorities and support measures. The Investment Climate Survey is a periodic instrument of the IC, implemented since 2015. This year, it also included a dedicated section on SME sensitivity to the EU integration process for the first time.

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THE NEW INSPECTION FRAMEWORK IN ALBANIA

A Legal and Regulatory Guide for Businesses

Since 2016, the IC has consistently addressed challenges in the inspection system, including excessive administrative and financial burdens on businesses, as well as gaps in appeal mechanisms. The new inspection framework aims to streamline inspection processes, align with European Union standards, and establish a transparent, risk-based system that supports both domestic and foreign investment.

The summary prepared by the Secretariat provides structured guidance on inspection procedures, as well as on the rights and obligations of businesses, supporting compliance with the legal framework and secondary legislation adopted up to 25 November 2025..

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COMMUNICATION AND VISIBILITY

WEBSITE
- 36,000 website views in 2025

SOCIAL MEDIA
- Active on 3 platforms: Facebook, LinkedIn, and X
- 7.8% increase in followers (5,238 in 2025 vs. 4,857 in 2024)

QUARTERLY NEWSLETTERS
- Distributed electronically to all IC partners and shared via social media.
- January–March 2025
- April–June 2025
- July–September 2025
- October–December 2025

MEDIA COVERAGE ON NATIONAL TELEVISION CHANNELS
- Scan TV
- Plans to support agriculture and agri-processing / Investment Council recommendations: Digitalisation to continue – 21 May 2025 (in Albanian)
- Report on key interventions in the agriculture sector – Investment Council: New initiatives on… – 22 November 2025 (in Albanian)
- Property security and Digital Cadastre – Investment Council identifies the bottleneck driving... – 24 November 2025 (in Albanian)

EMAIL MARKETING (NEWS DISTRIBUTION)
- 1,100 subscribers
- Content distributed in both Albanian and English
- Average open rate: 22%

DOCUMENTS

MATERIALS OF IC MEETING
- Meeting XXXVI – Agenda
- Meeting XXXVI – PPT Presentation
- Meeting XXXVI – Working Paper: “On the Digitalisation of Local Public Services for Businesses”
- Survey Findings – Challenges of Municipality–Business Digitalisation of Service Provision
- Survey Findings – On Some Aspects of Investment Climate 2025
- Meeting XXXVI – Matrix of Recommendations
- Meeting XXXVI – Minutes

PUBLICATIONS
- Albania Economic Outlook Indicators 2024
- Albania Economic Outlook Indicators: January–June 2025
- Recommendations Monitoring Report 2024
- Activity Report 2024
- Progress Report on IC Recommendations (July 2025)
- The New Inspection Framework in Albania
- Leaflet: 10-Year Achievement Timeline
- Leaflet: 10 Years in Figures

LOOKING AHEAD

The IC will continue to serve as an important platform for fostering constructive dialogue between government and the private sector, with the aim of strengthening investor confidence, improving the business climate, and addressing medium- to long-term economic development challenges. The 2026 agenda has been developed on the basis of key government strategic documents and issues raised by business members, serving as a guiding framework for the Council's activities throughout 2026. In this context, Council members have identified legal certainty in property rights as a priority area for the coming year.

Key Figures 2025

1 IC MEETING	**7** RECOMMENDATIONS APPROVED
15 RECOMMENDATIONS IMPLEMENTED, **9** IN PROCESS	**6** ANALYTICAL DOCUMENTS
+20 BUSINESS CHAMBERS/ ASSOCIATIONS ENGAGED IN IC ACTIVITIES	**1,250** BUSINESSES REPRESENTED BY MEMBER CHAMBERS/ASSOCIATIONS IN IC
2 SURVEYS	**351** COMPANIES PARTICIPATING IN SURVEYS
102 BUSINESS REPRESENTATIVES PARTICIPATING IN IC MEETINGS AND OTHER TECHNICAL MEETINGS	**7** FOCUS GROUP MEETINGS
1 ANNUAL MONITORING REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF IC RECOMMENDATIONS	**1,100** SUBSCRIBERS TO THE MAILING LIST
79% PARTICIPATION RATE OF MEMBERS IN IC MEETING	**5,238** SOCIAL MEDIA FOLLOWERS
GENDER REPRESENTATION IN INVESTMENT COUNCIL ACTIVITIES: **38%** MEN **62%** WOMEN	**81** REPRESENTATIVES OF PUBLIC INSTITUTIONS PARTICIPATING IN IC MEETINGS AND OTHER
	2 ROUNDTABLES/ WORKSHOPS WITH OTHER PARTNERS

IC Membership 2025

Members, State Institutions	**Minister of Economy and Innovation**
	Bank of Albania
	Albanian Investment Development Agency (AIDA)
	Albanian Fund for the Development of Diaspora
Members, Development Partner	**World Bank /International Finance Corporation (IFC)**
	EU Delegation in Albania
	European Bank for Reconstruction and Development (EBRD)
	International Finance Corporation (IFC)
Business Members with Permanent Mandate	**Chamber of Commerce and Industry Tirana**
	Union of Chambers of Commerce and Industry (UCCIAL)
	Albanian Diaspora Business Chamber (ADBC)
Business Members with 2-Year Mandate	**Association of Foreign Investors of Albania (FIAA)**
	Albanian Association of Banks (AAB)
	International Chamber of Commerce (ICC Albania)
	Women's Economic Chamber (DHEG)
	American Chamber of Commerce (AmCham)
	Albanian Electronic Commerce Association (AECA)
	Confindustria Albania
	Greek Business Chamber in Albania (HBAA)
Ad-Hoc Business Members	**Albanian Association of Builders**
	EasyPay

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