Harmonization with EU standards and institution building of the **State Inspectorate of Protection of Markets and Consumer Rights**

General Information

Trade and Industry Sector:

18 months Duration:

June 2012 - March 2014 *Implementation period:*

Budget: EUR 1.1mln

Beneficiary Administration: State Inspectorate of Protection of Markets and Consumer Rights

EU MS Partners: Lead partner - Northern Ireland Co-operation Overseas (NI-CO) Ltd., United Kingdom

Junior partner - Lithuanian State Non Food Products Inspectorate, Lithuania



Project Description

Objective: Market surveillance and consumer protection infrastructure strengthened in terms of

legislation, human resources and general awareness to meet challenges of the Deep and

Comprehensive Free Trade Area.

Components: **Component I:** Legal approximation activities

Component II: Selected procedures for market surveillance and consumer protection

activities are developed and implemented

Component III: Awareness of consumer protection and market surveillance amongst

private and public sector

Achieved results: The main results achieved during the implementation of the project were as follows:

- a) Draft Laws on new Market Surveillance and General Safety of non-food Products were analysed and recommendations were provided on approximation to the EU Acquis;
- b) Trainings have been conducted for all inspectors, including also a Training of trainers (6 members of staff) for further cascade trainings, manual of procedures was developed and published, a database on all stages and clusters of work was developed;
- c) A series of 6 seminars in Yerevan and in the regions were conducted which collected sufficient feedback both from the public and the businesses.

More Information: