

Albania enhances property data and modernises registration services

Albania's Central Office of Immovable Property Registration (IPRO) continues its commitment to completing the first systematic registration of immovable property in the electronic title registry.

More than 2,680 cadastral zones from a total of just over 3,000 have been completed so far. In addition, IPRO has developed and improved working procedures, quality control, product standards, and has been continuously training its staff to deliver this priority activity.

IPRO has also started a digitisation project to enhance data from 1995 to 2000 which is held in its maps and registers. The process involves improving and updating the immovable property registry with data on 556,200 properties in 180 cadastral zones, completing the process of initial registration of 168,000 real estate properties in 23 urban cadastral zones, and creating a digital immovable property register for 724,200 properties in 203 cadastral zones.

During 2017, 61 cadastral zones were completed as part of the first phase with a further 32 completed in the second

phase before being passed to the data quality team. The Improvement, Update and First Registration Project is being funded by revenue generated from IPRO services. Each cadastral zone is allocated specialists including a lawyer and a cartographer.

IPRO is one of a number of organisations in the Western Balkans working with Kadaster, The Netherlands' Cadastre, Land Registry and Mapping Agency as part of a project to modernise services in the region. The participants aim to strengthen their institutional and organisational capacity as service providers.

IPRO hosted the first project workshop in Tirana which saw representatives from Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Macedonia, Montenegro, Kosovo and Serbia join Kadaster to share experiences.

