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Human Rights Education for Lawyers Project within the framework of the Program "International Law in Advocacy" of the Human Rights House Network

Regional conference "Freedom of Expression and Association: From Theory to Practice"

29-30 September 2012

Hotel "Altaj", Botanicheskaya str. 41, Moscow, The Russian Federation

PROGRAM

Day 1: September 28, 2012 , Friday	
12.00-22.00	Arrival of the participants, non-formal meeting of the participants in the hall, for those wishing to: excursions around REC (Russian Exhibition Center) and Botanical Garden Lunch for early arrivals Joint dinner Welcoming person: Boris Panteleev , <i>national expert, Russia</i>
Day 2: September 29, 2012, Saturday	
08.00-09.00	Breakfast (<i>restaurant of the hotel "Altaj"</i>)
09.00-10.00	Arrival of other participants, registration for the conference, ice-breaking, receiving of handouts. Presentation of the topics for discussion in the "open space" format. <i>The Project Team</i>
10.00-10.15	Opening session: announcement of the agenda <i>Liubov Vinogradova, Russian Research Center for Human Rights, Liudmila Ulyashyna, Human Rights House Foundation, Norway</i>
10.15-10.30	Welcoming addresses Helene Sand Andersen, Political Counsellor, Royal Norwegian Embassy, Moscow Representative of the Information Office of the Nordic Council of Ministers in St. Petersburg (TBC), Welcoming address of Harald Ciarlo: a lawyer, an employee of the Norwegian expert mission in the field of rule of law in Moldova (NORLAM).
10.30-10.45	A journalist about freedom of expression Anatoly Tsygankov, Karelian Centre of Political and Social Research, Russia
10.45-11.00	<i>Coffee break</i>
11.00-12.30	Freedom of expression: international standards and actual problems: the

	<p>international expert's presentation is based on the materials, prepared by the Project participants from Azerbaijan, Belarus, Moldova, Ukraine, Russia.</p> <p>Discussion moderators: Vasily Lukashevich, Fuad Agayev, <i>national expert, Azerbaijan</i></p> <p>Overview presentation: Vasily Lukashevich, <i>European Court of Human Rights, France</i></p> <p>National experts: Annagi Hacibeyli (<i>Azerbaijan</i>), Alexandr Vashkevich (<i>Belarus</i>), Veaceslav Tsurcan (<i>Moldova</i>), Boris Panteleev (<i>Russia</i>), Arkadij Buschenko (<i>Ukraine</i>)</p> <p><i>Presentations by participants who submitted the most interesting (according to the experts' evaluation) topics, discussion.</i></p>
12.30-13.30	Lunch
13.30-15.00	<p>Freedom of expression. Continuation of the discussion and wrap-up</p> <p>Moderators: Vasily Lukashevich, Fuad Agayev, Boris Panteleev</p>
15.00-15.30	Coffee break
15.30-17.15	<p>Freedom of assembly: international standards and actual problems</p> <p>Moderator: Aleksandr Vashkevich</p> <p>Overview presentation: Aleksandr Vashkevich, Yury Ershov</p> <p>National experts: Fuad Agayev, Veaceslav Tsurcan, Boris Panteleev, Arkadij Buschenko</p> <p>Presentation by a representative of the Moscow Helsinki group</p> <p>Presentations by participants who submitted the most interesting (according to the experts' evaluation) topics, discussion.</p>
17.15-19.00	<p>Freedom of association: international standards and actual problems</p> <p>The Moscow Helsinki group's speech, speeches of organizations working in the Russian Human Rights Research Centre.</p> <p>Moderators: Andrey Esin, Veaceslav Tsurcan</p> <p>Speaker: Andrey Esin, <i>Scientific Manager of the Project</i></p> <p>National experts: Fuad Agayev, Aleksandr Vashkevich, Veaceslav Tsurcan, Boris Panteleev, Arkadij Buschenko</p> <p>Presentations by participants who submitted the most interesting (according to the experts' evaluation) topics, discussion</p>
19.00-21.30	Dinner
Day 3: September 30, 2012, Sunday	
08.00-09.00	Breakfast
09.00-09.15	Summing up of the results of the previous day
09.15-09.45	<p>Presentations of magazines "Comparative Constitutional Review" and "International Justice"</p> <p>Olga Sidorovich, <i>editor of "Comparative Constitutional Review" and "International Justice", Russia</i></p>
09.45-10.45	<p>The return of criminal libel, a new law to protect children from harmful information and other important issues in the field of freedom of expression in Russia.</p> <p>Damir Hainutdinov, <i>Interregional Human Rights Association "Agora", Russia</i></p>
10.45-11.00	Coffee break
11.00-12.30	<p>Problems of the international standards of justice implementation when dealing with such issues as freedom of expression and association in contemporary Russian practice: the challenges and ways to cope with them. Discussion between the participants, experts and journalists.</p> <p>Moderators: Sergei Golubok, Boris Panteleev</p> <p>Speaker: Boris Panteleev</p>

	National experts: Fuad Agayev, Veaceslav Tsurcan, Arkadij Buschenko
12.30-13.30	Lunch
13.30-14.00	Presentation of the European Council Program "HELP" . The participants' questions. Natalia Kravchuk , the coordinator of the European Council Program "Help" in Russia, Galina Arapova , the coordinator of the European Council Program "Help" in Russia.
14.00-15.00	Presentation of books and best practices. The participants' questions to the experts. Open discussion. Moderator: Evgenia Adrova , the Project's national coordinator for Russia Participants: representatives of the participating countries, experts, journalists from the Northern Region (the list is TBC.) National experts: Fuad Agayev, Veaceslav Tsurcan, Boris Panteleev, Arkadij Buschenko
15.00-15.15	Coffee-break
15.15-16.30	Discussion panel: discussion on the issues of interaction between human rights activists, media, scientific community and lawyers in the provision of legal assistance, including victims of violations of the freedom of expression right, the rights of assembly and association. Interaction with journalists Moderators: Boris Panteleev, Andrey Esin Participants: <i>journalist Nadezhda Azhghina</i> , secretary of the Russian Union of Journalists; John Crowfoot , expert of the International Journalists Federation; Boris Timoshenko , Head of the Glasnost Defense Foundation Monitoring Service, Russia; representatives of the participating countries, experts, journalists from the Northern Region (the list is TBC.) National experts: Fuad Agayev, Veaceslav Tsurcan, Arkadij Buschenko
16.30-17.30	Preparation of the final documents, discussion of the recommendations, summary of the Conference. Intigam Aliev, Legal education Society, Azerbaijan, Liubov Vinogradova, Liudmila Ulyashyna

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