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“Regional in-depth training courses for Moldovan defence lawyers on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment” Project

NARRATIVE REPORT

(February – June 2012)

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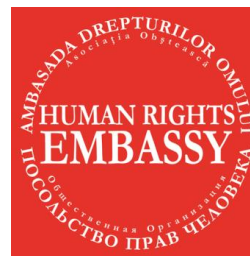
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Partners

1. European Union and Council of Europe Joint programme "Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity";
2. The Human Rights House Network (HRHN), "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" Project;
3. The Norwegian Mission of Rule of Law Advisers to Moldova (NORLAM);
4. The Rehabilitation Centre of Torture Victims "Memoria" (Moldova).

Donor organisations

1. European Union and Council of Europe Joint programme "Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity";
2. The Norwegian Mission of Rule of Law Advisers to Moldova (NORLAM).

INTRODUCTION

This narrative report contains the information about two 3-day in-depth training courses for lawyers of Moldova on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment in the framework of the "Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity" Project, implemented by international human rights nongovernmental organisation "Human Rights Embassy" (A.O. Ambasada Drepturilor Omului) with generous support from the Joint programme funded by Council of Europe and European Union, as well as in-kind contribution from the Norwegian Mission of Rule of Law Advisers to Moldova (NORLAM)

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Project "Regional in-depth training courses for Moldovan defence lawyers on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment" is a part of Human Rights Embassy programme "Lawyers – Human Rights Ambassadors". The project is implemented in the framework of the "Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity" Project and conducted in support of one of the programmes' project - "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" Project.

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investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment” was supported by the following organisations:

1. Joint programme funded by Council of Europe and European Union, Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity;
2. The Norwegian Mission of Rule of Law Advisers to Moldova (NORLAM) – in-kind contribution (direct payments).

GOAL AND OBJECTIVES

Goal: To raise Moldovan lawyers’ (including Transnistrian region) professional skills for their practical work in cases implying torture and unlawful arrests victims’ rights protection.

The Project has the following objectives:

- To raise lawyers’, human rights NGOs and university law professors professional skills on use of legal national and European mechanisms for torture victims protection;
- To raise lawyers’ and human rights NGOs professional skills on gathering and securing evidences on torture infliction;
- To train lawyers and human rights NGOs on interaction with mass media and human rights nongovernmental organisations;
- To increase lawyers’, human rights NGOs and university law professors access to the scientific and practical information about freedom from torture and protection of torture victims.

EXPERTS

There were different groups of experts. NORLAM representatives attended and provided experts participation for both training courses.

Collaboration with the experts on the programme of the training courses was done in two ways:

- 1) Before the training course – by e-mail to elaborate the programme;
- 2) During the training course – by evening planning meetings to evaluate the work during the day and make necessary arrangements for the following days of the training course.

In the 1st training course organized on 2-4 March 2012 in Russian language the following experts participated: Eric Svanidze (CoE expert), Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou, Evghenii Golosceapov, Ludmila Popovici, Veaceslav Jurcan, Harald Ciarlo and Dag Brathole.

In the 2nd training course organized on 4-6 May 2012 in Russian language the following experts participated: Vitalii Kasko (CoE expert), Elena Volochyai, Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou, Evghenii Golosceapov, Veaceslav Jurcan and Harald Ciarlo.

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Detailed information on experts and their role within the training courses could be found in the Annexes.

LAUNCH OF THE PROJECT, PARTICIPANTS AND METHODS OF THEIR SELECTIONS

Launch of the Project

Project "Regional in-depth training courses for Moldovan defence lawyers on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment" is a part of Human Rights Embassy programme "Lawyers – Human Rights Ambassadors". The project is implemented in the framework of the "Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity" Project and conducted in support of one of the programmes' project - "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" (EHREL) Project.

- Project "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" is designed by Human Rights House Foundation within the framework of the Human Rights House Network's programme "International Law in Advocacy" and from November 2011 is implemented in Moldova by Human Rights Embassy and the Rehabilitation Center of Torture Victims "Memoria" (RCTV "Memoria"). One of the key factors for the effective implementation of international obligations in a country is the work of highly skilled and specialized lawyers - potential human rights defenders. Lawyers can become a driving force in providing adequate comparative legal analysis and initiating constitutional complaints. Decisions of the national Constitutional Courts would be the most efficient way to initiate amendments of legal acts and practices in the countries concerned. Thus, there is a need to educate and support these professionals. In order to meet this need, the HRHF, together with partner organisations in Belarus, Azerbaijan, Georgia and Russia developed the EHREL training programme. Following the National Implementation Plans' competition results from November 2011 two new countries were added to the project – Moldova and Ukraine.

The systematic long-term training using electronic means of education and communication proved to be an effective model for lawyers to acquire necessary knowledge and skills to interpret international and constitutional HR law and to ensure that human rights standards are properly applied. In response to those needs, the current Project envisions are: a) to promote greater understanding of HR law; b) to facilitate on-line training and exchange of better practice by lawyers; c) to improve access to HR information through electronic communication channels; d) to improve the quality of lawsuits in national and international procedures through correct application of HR; f) to contribute to consolidation of joint initiatives between lawyers and HR defenders, g) to facilitate involvement of lawyers in participation in the recipient country's activities on amendments of legislation and practice in line with commitments made through international HR conventions, CoE, UN and others. The target groups of the proposed project are lawyers licensed to represent parties in courts in all 5 target countries (Azerbaijan, Belarus, Moldova, Russia and Ukraine). The intended number of project's target group is 125 lawyers selected on the competitive basis. After the approved decision from the "Electronic Human Rights Education for

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Lawyers' Projects' Steering Committee all target countries were permitted to select additional 5 lawyers per country for reserve list of participants. In total 5 countries of the action selected 125 permanent and 25 reserve participants. Project activities include:

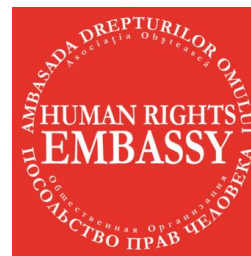
- 1) Training for lawyers, combining three approaches: i) e-learning - on-line library and communication that provides stable source of information and communication channels between the participants and experts; ii) distance studying, including home reading, writing legal essays and communications to the HR Committee or the ECHR, evaluations of the written work; iii) seminars: regional seminars in each of the 5 selected countries as an introduction to the distance studying and follow up seminars in countries depending on national implementation plans; iv) 2 international conferences in Vilnius for selected lawyers to receive additional training on most challenging topics and create a network.
- 2) Capacity building: i) recruitment of international and national experts, who will run trainings during all stages (electronic training and seminars); ii) drafting a curriculum with a reading list; iii) conducting a two-day workshop for regional groups to study the Moodle learning system.
- 3) Information and awareness raising: i) creating an electronic platform for HR education, ii) preparing an e-library, other teaching materials iii) facilitating discussions of lawyers in forums. Local NGOs prominent in HR advocacy will give recommendations to lawyers who apply for the programme.

Six countries were invited to present their National Implementation Plans. In October 2011 five best prepared countries were selected by the Steering Committee, and regional groups from the selected countries started a selection procedure of participants. In total thirty lawyers (25 permanent and 5 reserve participants) from each country participated in the first and second in-depth regional training courses and started a distance course. After finishing the first stage of the distance course they will deliver legal essays and only the best 40 lawyers from all the 5 countries will proceed to the first (regional, Moscow, Russia) conference. Participants who successfully pass the final test of the first stage of the distance training will proceed to the second stage. After finishing the second stage, all participants will deliver individual communications to the ECHR or the UN HR Committee. The 40 participants with the best results will be invited to the second (international, Vilnius, Lithuania) conference, where they will participate in a moot court (simulation).

In February 2012 Human Rights Embassy signed the contract (administrative arrangement) with the Council of Europe on the "Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity" Project implementation. Since this project is designed to support the bigger project – the "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" Project – the only target group for both projects are legal professionals (defence lawyers, lawyers from human rights NGOs and university law professors) selected for distance learning course. According to the Moldovan National Implementation Plan Human Rights Embassy took commitment to conduct two 3-day in-depth training courses for lawyers of Moldova on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment, as well as to support the distance course by running of 5

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thematic meetings of Human Rights Clubs for legal professionals selected for distance learning course.

2-4 March 2012 Human Rights Embassy conducted 1st 3-day in-depth training course on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment combined with a one-day workshop for lawyers of Moldova to study the Moodle learning system (introductory to the distance course). Besides theoretical basis and excellent national and international experts presentations lawyers actively participated in moot courts (simulations) on articles 3 and 5 of European Convention on Human Rights before ECtHR.

4-6 May 2012 organisers conducted 2nd 3-day in-depth training course on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment. This time participants were actively involved in moot courts (simulations) on articles 3 and 5 of European Convention on Human Rights before national courts as well as studied article 6 of ECHR.

During the project implementation period organisers managed to run 3 thematic meetings of the Human Rights Clubs in addition to the abovementioned training courses. First two Clubs' meetings accompanied conducted trainings and were devoted to: 1) practical recommendations on medical and legal aspects of documentation of the cases of torture and other ill-treatment, medical malpractice and domestic violence; and 2) the experience of Moldovan human rights NGOs in strategic litigation and basic errors of Moldovan lawyers working on torture and other ill-treatment cases before national courts and ECtHR.

18 June 2012 Human Rights Embassy conducted third Human Rights Clubs' meeting on the functionality of the European Court of Human Rights and its future reform issues. All Human Rights Clubs' meetings were also supported by Norwegian Mission of Rule of Law Advisers to Moldova (in-kind contribution).

Announcements about projects and training courses

Announcements about both "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" and "Regional in-depth training courses for Moldovan defence lawyers on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment" projects as well as about in-depth training courses and thematic meetings of Human Rights Clubs were made through advertisement in the electronic mailing list EmbassyLawyer (the list is managed by Human Rights Embassy) which broadcasts over Moldova (including Transnistrian region) and were placed on Human Rights Embassy web-site in both Moldovan/Romanian and Russian languages (<http://www.humanrightsembassy.org/>).

Results on mediatization of both projects and training courses can be found on:

1. <http://www.civic.md/stiri/16243-pentru-prima-dat-in-republica-moldova-instruire-la-distan-in-domeniul-drepturilor-omului.html>
2. http://www.infopress.md/?action=News&title_id=17&id=12331&id_cat=6

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3. http://www.infopress.md/?action=News&title_id=17&id=12352&id_cat=6
4. <http://kp.md/online/news/1062946/>
5. <http://social.moldova.org/news/programprogramme-de-instruire-la-distanta-pentru-avocati-227993-rom.html>
6. <http://replika.md/obschestvo/193-pravam-cheloveka-grazhdan-budut-uchit-s-bezopasnogo-rasstoyaniya.html>
7. <http://www.terra.md/ru/news/moldova/prava-cela-on/default.aspx>
8. <http://enews.md/news/view/17339/>
9. http://eco-tiras-youth.org/news_arh.php?id=97
10. <http://www.avocatul.md/instr.php?showid=481>
11. <http://uaport.net/news/md-f-jXJDQ/a/1205/03>
12. <http://pentrua.md/article/lela-metreveli-ambasada-drepturilor-omului-este-ambasada-tutoror-oamenilor-ale-caror-drepturi-au-fost-incalcate-413.html>
13. <http://www.dejure.md/forum/index.php?action=vthread&forum=26&topic=3245>
14. <http://www.civic.md/stiri/17146-convenia-european-a-drepturilor-omului-din-nou-in-vizorul-avocailor-i-juritor-din-moldova.html>
15. <http://social.moldova.org/news/-230113-rus.html>
16. <http://social.moldova.org/news/conventia-europeana-a-drepturilor-omului-din-nou-in-vizorul-avocailor-si-juritor-din-moldova-230112-rom.html>
17. <http://uaport.net/news/md/t/1205/03/3050399>
18. <http://www.amosnews.ro/conventia-europeana-drepturilor-omului-din-nou-vizorul-avocailor-din-moldova-2012-05-02>
19. <http://www.civic.md/stiri/17377---l-----r.html>
20. <http://www.civic.md/stiri/17378-avocaii-rm-onorat-istan-unde-vi-i-onoarea-.html>
21. <http://www.stiri.md/ro/article/331651/-----/>
22. <http://www.stiri.md/ro/article/331650/avocaii-rm-onorat-istan-unde-vi-i-onoarea-/>
23. <http://www.yhrm.org/advertisements/distantionnoe-obuchenie-advokatov-pravam-cheloveka>
24. <http://interpolit.net/blogpost6271#>
25. <http://inform-progulka.by/ru/69/competition/2934/%D0%9D%D0%B0%D0%B1%D0%BE%D1%80-%D0%BD%D0%B0-%D1%83%D1%87%D0%B0%D1%81%D1%82%D0%B8%D0%B5-%D0%B2-%D0%B4%D0%B8%D1%81%D1%82%D0%B0%D0%BD%D1%86%D0%B8%D0%BE%D0%BD%D0%BE%D0%BC-%D0%BE%D0%B1%D1%83%D1%87%D0%B5%D0%BD%D0%B8%D0%B8-%D0%B0%D0%B4%D0%B2%D0%BE%D0%BA%D0%B0%D1%82%D0%BE%D0%B2%D1%8E%D1%80%D0%B8%D1%81%D1%82%D0%BE%D0%B2.htm>
26. <http://mozhyvosti.in.ua/event/konkurs-distantionnoe-obuchenie-advokatov-i-yuristov>
27. <http://vkka.net/?p=4729>
28. <http://apno.natm.ru/layouts/mobile/dispform.aspx?List=4b98f3c6-9081-44e9-8719-8d8a8b42ff52&View=ab22adf4-b30c-4df7-9d47-6fba4a96c8d9&ID=122>
29. <http://n-europe.eu/euroafisha/2012/01/15/obuchenie-advokatov-i-yuristov>
30. <http://civil.udmnet.ru/?pageid=1&group=news&item=186>
31. <http://www.mhg.ru/news/11FB8826>

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32. <http://pozovsud.com.ua/novosti-prava-5/obyavlen-konkurs-na-uchastie-v-distancionnom.html>
33. <http://jurliga.ligazakon.ua/news/2012/1/18/55313.htm>
34. <http://www.yurpractika.com.ua/news.php?id=0029743>
35. <http://lawtrend.org/ru/content/about/news/distancionnoeobuchenieadvokatoviuristov/?lawtrendorg=mxfupuvi>
36. <http://spring96.org/ru/news/48943>
37. http://portal-nko.ru/dialog/news/news/?id=1425&type=org_news
38. <http://www.uba.ua/rus/news/1776/>
39. <http://www.mashr.org/?p=3877>
40. <http://sutyajnik.ru/news/2012/01/1907.html>

Selection of participants

As mentioned before participants of the regional in-depth training courses in the "Regional in-depth training courses for Moldovan defence lawyers on European standards and safeguards for protection of the rights of detainees and effective investigation of the complaints of ill-treatment" project were selected on the competitive basis from the legal professionals selected for distance learning course in the framework of "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" project. We received 56 on-line applications for participation in distance learning course, 25 lawyers were selected for participation and 5 candidates were selected for the reserve list. Organisers selected candidates based on a completed questionnaire using the following criteria:

- To work on criminal cases, including on cases of torture and/or unlawful arrests, as a defence lawyer, last-year advocate-intern or as legal expert from NGO, who are making applications to the ECtHR, or to work as law professor from higher education institution teaching human rights related subjects, criminal law or criminal procedure law;
- Gender balance;
- The preferences were given to the lawyers from regions of Moldova (including Transnistrian region);
- A reputation of responsible person.

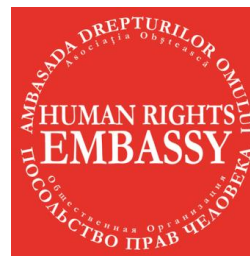
AGENDAS AND SUPPORTING DOCUMENTS

Agendas for both regional in-depth training courses were elaborated in accordance with the objectives of the Project and ideas of experts. In general, agenda consisted of the following major blocks:

1. Introduction into human rights theory;
2. Legal European mechanisms for torture and unlawful arrests victims' protection;
3. Legal national mechanisms for torture and unlawful arrests victims' protection, gathering and securing evidences on torture infliction and unlawful arrests;
4. Interaction with mass media and human rights nongovernmental organisations;
5. Increasing lawyers', human rights NGOs and university law professors' access to the scientific and practical information about freedom from torture and right to liberty and protection of torture and unlawful arrests victims.

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Specific time was allocated to discussions and consultations on concrete cases of victims of torture and illegal arrests, to the strategic litigations as part of advocacy, moot courts (simulations) on articles 3 and 5 of European Convention for human rights before national courts and ECtHR. A one-day session was dedicated to the Moodle learning system (introductory to the distance course) at the 1st training course and one-day session to article 6 of the European Convention on Human Rights during the 2nd training course.

During all training courses participants received about 300 pages of handouts in Moldovan/Romanian and Russian languages as well as 3 manuals provided by Council of Europe office. The list of the handed-out materials was amended according to the proposals made by national and international experts.

Handouts included:

- 1) Agenda;
- 2) Texts of selected national and international legal acts;
- 3) Supporting theoretical materials (ppts, extracts of case law etc);
- 4) Manuals from CoE office (Eric Svanidze (guidelines and brochure), Jeremy McBride (1 book));
- 5) Case studies for moot courts (simulations) before national courts and Case studies for moot courts before ECtHR with decisions;
- 6) List of participants and experts with contacts;
- 7) List of Moldovan mass-media with contacts – for collaboration;
- 8) List of useful web-links;
- 9) Evaluation forms.

In addition, we decided to shoot a video with all the content of the training courses (this was an in-kind contribution from one of the national expert of our training courses Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou), creating, thus, the video archive of the training courses. This is a good basis for evaluation and improvement process of our training courses and Project itself.

SUBSTANTIATION of SPENDING OF FINANCIAL RESOURCES

According to the administrative arrangement (AA) signed in February 2012 between Human Rights Embassy and the Council of Europe, Ref: DG-HL/108/2012, PO 353084, a budget amounted to EUR 24612, 00 was approved for the implementation of 2 seminars for lawyers.

During project implementation organisers tried to maximize efficient use of grant and some savings were made due to the following facts:

- A preliminary selected hotel increased prices for the services provided and organisers had to select another hotel and discovered two new and cheaper hotels (Hotel "Vatra", Vadul-lui-Voda village, and Hotel "Iris", Chisinau). Both hotels kindly offered the discounts on the services needed under the AA;
- Organisers expected to select 20 regional participants, but according to the results of competition, there were selected only 10 regional participants, which also enabled to reduce funds for the hotel expenses since only regional participants, organisers and experts stayed at the hotel for additional night after the closing. Besides that one of

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the training courses was conducted in Chisinau and all local participants decided to leave the hotel right after the closing ceremony;

- Since only Russian-speaking participants and international experts were involved in the activities, the organisers did not spend funds allocated for budget lines 3.2-3.4: "Rent of interpretation equipment", "Interpretation services" and "Translation".

At the same time organisers had a need of additional expenses to be met for better quality and quantity of handout materials for the participants of the seminars, as well as the supported materials for the thematic meetings of the Human Rights Clubs as post-seminars practical activities for practicing the knowledge received during the seminars, which provided for the achievement of sustainability result. 5 more participants that did not attend the training courses (reserve participants) were also provided by all the materials distributed during the seminars (*justification of increase of expenses under budget line 4.2*).

Since the organisation of the seminars was agreed with the Council of Europe to be as a complementary one to support the implementation of the "Electronic Human Rights Education for Lawyers" Project, which was implemented by the NGO Human Rights Embassy under the cooperation with the Human Rights House Network (HRHN), and was authorised by the Official Bar of Moldova, – the organisers needed additional funds for internet service providing for human rights distance learning course in which all the participants of the seminars were involved. Taking into consideration the additional value of the organised seminars under the AA to support the human rights distance learning course; the objective side of the non-spent budget lines mentioned above and the savings made under the budget lines "accommodation and meals", thus the total of the 1st tranche was not spent, the expenses under the budget line 6.2. "Other services" were increased due to inclusion of costs for providing the internet service for human rights distance learning course. Such allocation of costs was also supported by Ms Bozhena Malanchuk, regional project officer, responsible for the activities under the AA. All the expenses are reflected in the financial report (*justification of increase of expenses under budget line 6.2*).

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CONCLUSIVE SUMMARY ABOUT TRAINING AND RELATED ACTIVITIES

First in-depth regional training course

Date and place: 2-4 March, 2012, Hotel "Vatra", Vadul-lui-Voda village.
Training course was organized in Russian with 4 experts (plus 3 experts-volunteers).

Second in-depth regional training course

Date and place: 4-6 May, 2012, Hotel "Iris", Chisinau.
Training course was organized in Russian with 4 experts (plus 2 experts-volunteers).

First Human Rights Clubs' meeting

Date and place: 3 March, 2012, Hotel "Vatra", Vadul-lui-Voda village.
Expert: Ludmila Popovici.

Second Human Rights Clubs' meeting

Date and place: 4-6 May, 2012, Hotel "Iris", Chisinau.
Experts: Evghenii Goloșceapov, Vanu Zheregghi, Iurie Levinte.

Third Human Rights Clubs' meeting

Date and place: 18 June, 2012, "Public Law Library", Chisinau.
Expert: Kanstantsin Dzehtsiarou.

Evaluation of the training courses

The evaluation of the training courses, trainers and each subject was reflected by the participants in the daily evaluation forms, as well as in the final evaluation form, filled-in by the lawyers at the end of each training course.

This kind of evaluation required an immediate response from the organisers' side in order to modify the process of implementation of the training courses and its improvement. For a more comprehensive report on the quantitative results of the project, which would more realistically reflect the real achievements of the project, there is also a need for a more objective and pragmatic analysis of the project, i.e. a deferred evaluation. But, since we had no time for deferred evaluation (6 month after training courses, as we practiced before) the organisers decided to report about final evaluation forms filled-in by participants at the end of each training course:

Annex 2: Brief analysis of the evaluation forms, submitted by the participants (Training courses - March, May 2012)

Summary

Before the training, participants have expressed their expectations about the training and the skills and knowledge they expectant to acquire during the training. During the training many participants have made a self-assessment of their professional competencies, potential for growth and an analysis of the external barriers and risks for applying the defence tools in practice.

Romanian-speaking participants are in more favourable conditions for further professional growth and have fewer concerns about their personal security. Regional

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participants and participants from Russian-speaking regions of Moldova in particular, especially participants from Transnistrian region have less knowledge, less interaction with the professional community, involved in the application of the mechanisms of ECHR, have less trust in the international mechanisms and are worried about their personal security.

Perspectives for the future

The great majority of the participants have mentioned the necessity for further professional education. Among the subjects, that need to be further discussed more detailed, the main one was the right to a fair trial. Art.2, Art.8, Art.13 and Art.11, as well as Art.1 of the 1st Optional Protocol, were also mentioned. There were also some interest in the principles of interpretation of the ECHR, analysis of the Protocols of the ECHR, new defence techniques, conduct of the lawyers in case of threats, defence of the victims, specifically moral and material compensation etc.

Recommendations

When the Bar of Moldova will promote an environment supporting the respect of the human rights and human dignity, as well as the growth in the area of human rights and liberties, more and more lawyers will be involved in this activity. An important aspect of this activity will be the support to the lawyers at the local level, so they can apply the ECHR case-law in national courts. It is important to strengthen and consolidate those lawyers that have understood the need for changes and a willing to be part of them.

For Transnistrian lawyers this should translate in professional consultations, additional trainings, as well as recommendations on the possibilities to practice, without jeopardising their personal safety on the territory of Transnistrian region.

CONCLUSIONS

Summarising the evaluation made by the participants and taking into consideration the opinion of the trainers, organisers reached the conclusion that the process of implementation of the project is quite a dynamic one, the training courses are well-received by the audience/target group, there is a feedback mechanism (in form of the EmbassyLawyer mailing list, thematic meetings of Human Rights Clubs, as well as frequent telephonic consultations) established, while the programme of the trainings and organisational part gradually improved from one to another training.

The target group reacted positively to the opportunity to improve its qualifications. A significant interest for the training courses and Clubs' meetings is registered among lawyers from the 25-45 age groups.

We thank the Council of Europe and European Union ("Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity" Project) for the generous support and are convinced that the implemented project will serve as a valuable tool for guarantee formation of the critical mass of professional and qualified lawyers devoted to human rights work, contributing to the human rights protection and prevention of further violations in Moldova.

Given the fact that during project implementation organisers tried to maximize efficient use of grant and some savings in amount of EUR 10346, 00 were made (according

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to the administrative arrangement (AA) signed in February 2012 between Human Rights Embassy and the Council of Europe, Ref: DG-HL/108/2012, PO 353084, a budget amounted to EUR 24612, 00 was approved for the implementation of 2 seminars for lawyers), we would like to ask the Council of Europe and European Union ("Reinforcing the fight against ill-treatment and impunity" Project) to consider the possibility of implementation of 1 additional seminar for Moldovan lawyers.

Please, find Annexes in a separate document accompanying the present Report.