CLOSING CONFERENCE OF TJENI PROJECT

PROGRAMME

Foster Transparency of Judicial Decisions and Enhancing the National Implementation of the ECHR (TJENI)

> 18 March 2024 Lisbon, Portugal Academy of Sciences of Lisboa







CONCEPT NOTE

The project "Foster Transparency of Judicial Decisions and Enhancing the National Implementation of the ECHR" (TJENI) aims to support beneficiary countries in the improvement of consistency between national jurisprudence and human rights standards set in the case law of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) and, therefore, contribute to the prevention of violations of the European Convention of Human Rights (ECHR).

Throughout its implementation, TJENI project pursued two objectives: (i) fostering cooperation and knowledge-sharing and (ii) individually supporting project partners in the digital transformation in compliance with human rights standards.

During two years of the project implementation its partners engaged in a dynamic exchange of ideas, explored emerging trends, discussed contemporary challenges, and identified potential solutions and best practices.

Besides the opportunity to exchange on the TJENI project's results, produced outputs, sustainability of the action, and specific support provided to the project partners, the Closing conference will serve as a forum for discussions on different topics linked to the transparency of judicial decisions and concept of the open data in judiciary, including licensing agreements for the judicial data reuse.

The Closing conference will also serve as a forum for exchange on the further plans, actions and needs of the project partners, donor and the Council of Europe in line with the Reykjavik Declaration of the Heads of State and Government which acknowledged "the positive impact and opportunities created by emerging digital technologies while recognising the need to mitigate risks of negative consequences of their use on human rights, democracy and the rule of law".

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9.00 – 9.30 Welcome coffee

9.30 – 10.15 Opening

Video address by Bjørn Berge, Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Luis Azevedo Mendes, Vice President, Judge Counsellor, Judicial High Council of Portugal

Hanne Brusletto, Ambassador to Portugal, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Norway

Claus Neukirch, Directorate of Programme Co-ordination, Council of Europe

10.15 – 11.00 Project overview and the achieved results

Project overview: general information on the implementation and lessons learned project video projection (3 minutes)

• Elena Yurkina, Head of Unit, Innovative Solutions for Human Rights and Justice, Council of Europe

Innovation and development in the project

• Anastasiia Saliuk, Project Manager, Council of Europe

Sustainability of the project and its achievements

• Biljana Nikolic, Project Manager, Council of Europe

<u>11.00 – 11.30</u> Coffee Break 11.30 – 13.00 Presentations of the support and achievements of the project partners

Moderator: Biljana Nikolic, Project Manager, Council of Europe

<u>Cyprus</u>: streamlining of the preparation of the judicial decisions for publication and improvement of consistency of civil procedures

Eleftheria Araliou, Legal officer, Supreme Court of Cyprus

Other actions for Cypriot judicial system: standardisation of operating proceedings and human rights mainstreaming

Rafaella Hadjikyriacou, Council of Europe

<u>Greece</u>: support in the establishment of specific procedure (small claims), its transparency and change management component

- Georgios Delis, Judge, District Court
- Epameinondas Troulinos, Presiding Judge at First Instance Administrative Court of Thessaloniki

Lithuania: support in the digitalisation in court proceedings

Ramunė Majauskaitė, project manager, National Court Administration

<u>Poland</u>: presentation of the analysis of the publication of the judicial decisions and new pilot project

- Bartlomiej Oreziak, Associate Professor, PhD
- Maciej Kalaman, Lt., MA

Romania: development of anonymisation tool and translation of HUDOC

Cosmin Sterea-Grossu, Judge and Head of the Informatics and Judicial Statistics Unit, Superior Council of Magistracy

13.00 - 14.30Group photo and lunch14.30 - 15.30Future developments

Moderator: Laetitia Dimanche, Project Manager, Council of Europe

Information on the draft Framework Convention on artificial intelligence, human rights, democracy and the rule of law

Presentation of HELP course on AI

 Giulia Lo Presti, Justice and Human Rights training Division, Council of Europe

Presentation of the report on licensing of reuse of judicial data

- Øystein Flø Baste, Research Fellow, University of Oslo and CELL
- Malcolm Langford, Professor of Law, University of Oslo and Director, CELL

15.30 – 16.30 Open floor: discussion on the needs and further potential projects

Moderator: Tigran Karapetyan, Head of Division, Transversal Challenges and Multilateral Projects, Council of Europe

This session is dedicated to the impact and opportunities created by emerging digital technologies for human rights, democracy, and the rule of law.

The current and future digital development, strategies and need of the partner will be discussed together with the respective risks and potential.

16.30 – 16.40 Closing remarks

Tigran Karapetyan, Head of Division, Transversal Challenges and Multilateral Projects, Council of Europe

Elena Yurkina, Head of Unit, Innovative Solutions for Human Rights and Justice, Council of Europe

17.00 - 17.40 Visit to the Supreme Court of Portugal
18.00 Cocktail - Rossio - Altis Avenida Hotel - Rua 1º Dezembro, 118, 1200-360 Lisboa