

The Project aims to enhance the effectiveness of NHRIs to promote and protect human rights in situations of conflict or post-conflict throughout wider Europe.

OBJECTIVES

- Raise the awareness of the role and build the capacity of European NHRIs to promote and protect human rights in situations of (post) conflict
- Enhance solidarity and cooperation between European NHRIs, particularly for those operating in (post) conflict;
- Support European NHRIs' engagement with national and international actors, including civil society;
- Strengthen ENNHRI to better support European NHRIs.

ACTIVITIES

CAPACITY BUILDING

- Organise four workshops, exchange of good practices of NHRIs and engage with relevant stakeholders on thematic human rights issues;
- Elaborate a Guidance on the role of NHRIs operating in conflict and post-conflict environment;
- Organize a final conference to present the Project outcomes;
- Raise awareness on the Project using modern technology and digital tools.

SOLIDARITY

- Develop a project specific section on ENNHRI's Members Area as an online communication channel for better exchange among NHRIs;
- Organize ten peer-exchange visits for NHRIs;
- Create a safe and neutral space for contact and cooperation between NHRIs;
- Coordinate actions with GANHRI and other regional networks of NHRIs;
- Support NHRIs under threat.

ENGAGEMENT WITH NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL ACTORS

- Support four sub-regional meetings between NHRIs and local, national and international stakeholders, to address specific human rights issues;
- Develop an engagement strategy for cooperation between NHRIs and regional and international stakeholders
- Organise one international stakeholders engagement meeting and eight engagement meetings at regional and national level;

STRENGTHENING THE NETWORK

- Organise exchange visits between ENNHRI Secretariat and its members;
- Enhance the visibility of ENNHRI and its members.



KEY MESSAGES

- Human rights violations are both consequences and causes of conflicts.
- NHRIs can take a holistic, multifaceted approach towards the human rights violations in (post) conflict societies, due to their broad mandate that allows them to work on a variety of human rights issues.
- NHRIs, as independent, state-mandated bodies, support a dialogue between and with conflicting parties aiming to ensure the promotion, protection and respect for human rights in (post) conflict polarized societies and environments.
- NHRIs act as a bridge between the state and civil society and as an interlocutor between the various actors operating in (post) conflict polarized societies and environments.
- NHRIs in compliance with Paris Principles monitor the implementation of international human rights standards at the national level. They act as a bridge between the international/regional and national level, which is of outmost importance for the (post) conflict environments.
- NHRIs help protect the democratic space in (post) conflict polarized societies and environments through monitoring, advisory, reporting and promotion activities, as well as through cooperation with civil society and protection of human rights defenders.
- NHRIs operating in (post) conflict societies, and/or in countries witnessing the shrinking of democratic space, can often find themselves under threat because of their activities. In this situation, they need a coordinated support from international/regional stakeholders and peers.
- The project is extremely relevant for enhancing the effectiveness of NHRIs on promotion and protection of human rights in situations of conflict and post-conflict in the wider Europe.

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