



## Training seminar for lawyers on the implementation of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) at national level: constitutional complaint and individual application before the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR)

17-18 March 2017 – Hotel CentreVille, Podgorica

### Agenda

#### 17 March 2017 (Friday)

##### **13:00 – 13:20**    **Introductory remarks**

Mr Zdravko Begović, *President of the Bar Association of Montenegro*

Mr Dragoljub Drašković, *President of the Constitutional Court of Montenegro*

Ms Angela Longo, *Head of Operations, Council of Europe Programme Office in Podgorica*

Ms Barbara Rotovnik, *Rule of law and pre-accession advisor, EU Delegation to Montenegro*

Ms Valentina Boz, *HELP in the Western Balkans and Turkey, Council of Europe*

##### **13:20 – 13:50**    **Procedural prerequisites and grounds for lodging the constitutional complaint**

Prof. Jasna Omejec, *Council of Europe expert*

##### **13:50 – 14:10**    **Discussion**

Moderator: Mr Siniša Bjeković, *HELP Focal Point for Montenegro*

##### **14:10 – 14:30**    **Coffee break**

##### **14:30 – 15:00**    **Formal prerequisites for deciding on a constitutional complaint – dismissal on the merits**

Prof. Jasna Omejec, *Council of Europe expert*

##### **15:00 – 16:00**    **Practical exercise – How to draft the constitutional complaint (template)**

- **The information constitutional complaint must contain**
- **The information that should not be contained in the constitutional complaint**

Prof. Jasna Omejec, *Council of Europe expert*

##### **16:00 – 16:30**    **Wrap-up of the first working day**

Moderator: Mr Siniša Bjeković, *HELP Focal Point for Montenegro*

## 18 March 2017 (Saturday)

- 10:00 – 10:20 Importance of the ECHR and its application at the national level**  
Prof. Jasna Omejec, *Council of Europe expert*
- 10:20 – 10:40 Admissibility criteria in applications submitted to the European Court of Human Rights**  
Ms Snežana Bulatović Armenko, *judge, HELP national tutor*
- 10:40 – 11:00 Analysis of reasons for inadmissibility decisions of the European Court of Human Rights**  
Ms Danijela Barjaktarović, *lawyer in the Registry of the ECtHR*
- 11:00 – 11:15 Coffee break**
- 11:15 – 11:35 Rule 47 of the Rules of the Court: contents of an individual application**  
Ms Jelena Ružičić, *judge, HELP national tutor*
- 11:35 – 13:00 Practical exercise – how to lodge an application before the ECtHR (template)**  
Ms Danijela Barjaktarović, *lawyer in the Registry of the ECtHR*
- 13:00 – 14:00 Lunch**
- 14:00 – 15:45 HELP distance learning course on admissibility criteria in applications submitted to the ECtHR**
- **Introduction to the HELP Programme and the e-learning platform**  
Ms Valentina Boz, *HELP in the Western Balkans and Turkey, Council of Europe*
  - **Presentation of the course outline and timeframe**  
Ms Snežana Bulatović Armenko and Ms Jelena Ružičić, *HELP national tutors*
- 15:45 – 16:00 Coffee break**
- 16:00 – 16:30 Discussion and closing of the training**  
Mr Suranga Soysa, *Project Coordinator, Council of Europe*