

European Programme for **H**uman Rights **E**ducation for **L**egal **P**rofessionals **in the 28**

EU-CoE 'HELP in the 28'

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Overview

- ✓ EU/CoE 'HELP in the 28'
- ✓ Methodology
- ✓ Achievements
- ✓ Wrapping up

Objective of HELP in the 28

HELP legal professionals (*) to apply the **EU Charter on Fundamental Rights**, European Convention of Human Rights, the European Social Charter and other CoE **and EU** laws in their daily work



(*) Judges, prosecutors and lawyers + LEA

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What is HELP in the 28?

1) HELP Network in the 28!

2) Free e-learning platform

3) Human rights training methodology



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HELP in the 28

EUROPEAN PROGRAMME FOR HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

The European Programme for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals in the 28 European Union Member States (HELP in the 28) supports legal professionals from the EU in acquiring the knowledge and skills on how to refer to the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union (the Charter), the European Convention on Human Rights (the ECHR), the European Social Charter (ESC). Furthermore, they will get familiar with the European jurisprudence. It also includes the HELP Network of National Institutions (NTI) and Bar Associations (BA) in the EU.

Under this programme, **four new courses** are developed, based on EU priorities: Data protection and privacy rights; Right to a fair trial; Right to the integrity of the person (bioethics); and Right to the integrity of the person (labour rights). These courses are then adjusted to the national legal systems and languages before being piloted in at least 13 EU MS. Follow-up courses are transferred to the self-learning part of the free HELP e-platform.

The HELP in the 28 Programme budget is about €1.6 million, mainly funded by the European Commission (Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers). HELP in the 28 is implemented by the Council of Europe and benefits from the strong cooperation of the current Associate Partners, particularly EU NTIs, BAs and the European Judicial Training Network.

EVENTS

- The Right to the Integrity of the Person (Bioethics)
- The Fight Against Racism, Xenophobia and Homophobia

HELP Guidebook

on Human Rights training methodology for legal professionals

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HELP training methodology –Timeline

Activity		Period (Months)
Training Needs Assessment (TNA) – identification of priority topics		
Selection of experts/consultants		
Curriculum development of model course (English)	I WG meeting	1-2
	II WG meeting	3-4
	III WG meeting	5
Development of articulate version (English)	Storyboard meeting	6
Translation into national language		7-8
Adaptation to national legal order <i>(by HELP trainer)</i>		8-9
Implementation of the course and validation at national level	Selection of participants	9
	Launch (face-to-face event)	10
	Implementation	10-14
	Certification/Evaluation	15


Courses available

1. Introduction to the ECHR and the ECtHR
2. Admissibility criteria (ECtHR)
3. Asylum
4. Family law
5. Child-friendly justice and children's rights
6. Anti-discrimination
7. Hate crime/hate speech
8. Community sanctions and alternative measures to detention
9. International co-operation in criminal matters
10. Business and human rights
11. Counterfeiting of medical products and crimes against public health
12. Transitional justice
13. Property rights
14. Trafficking in light of the ECHR
15. Pre-trial investigation in the light of ECHR
16. Reasoning of judgments
17. Fight against racism, xenophobia and homophobia
18. Data protection and privacy rights
19. Labour rights
20. Right to the integrity of the person (bioethics)

'HELP in the 28'
courses


“HELP in the 28” courses

Click on each picture to watch a presentation video and on ‘courses’ to access them on the HELP e-learning platform



The Fight Against
Racism, Xenophobia,
Homophobia and
Transphobia

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Labour Rights as
Human Rights

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The Right to the Integrity
of the Person (Bioethics)

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Data Protection and
Privacy

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"HELP in the 28" courses piloted in 16 EU MS for + 750 legal professionals

Country	Partner	Course
Austria	Training Department for Judges and Prosecutors at the Federal Ministry of Justice	Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
	Bar Association	Data protection
Bulgaria	National Institute of Justice	Asylum
Czechia/Slovakia	Bar Associations	Data Protection
Croatia	Judicial Academy	Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
Estonia	The Supreme Court of Estonia	Data protection
France	Ecole Nationale de la Magistrature	Data protection
	Institut de Droits de l'Homme du Barreau de Paris -CNB	Integrity person -bioethics
	Conseil National des Barreaux	Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
	Service Juridique Ligue Int'l contre le Racisme	Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
Greece	School of Judges	Labour rights
	School of Judges	Asylum
Italy	Bar Association	Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
	Bar Association	Data protection
	Italian School of Judiciary	Asylum
Latvia	Bar Association	Data protection
Lithuania	Bar Association	Data protection
	National Court Administration	Labour rights
Poland	National School of Judiciary and Public Prosecution	Integrity person -bioethics
Portugal	Centre for Judicial Studies	Labour rights
Slovenia	Judicial Training Centre	Labour rights
Spain	General Council of the Judiciary	Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
	Spanish Bar Council	Data protection
Romania	Romania Institute for Magistracy	Data Protection
	Romanian Bar Association	Data Protection

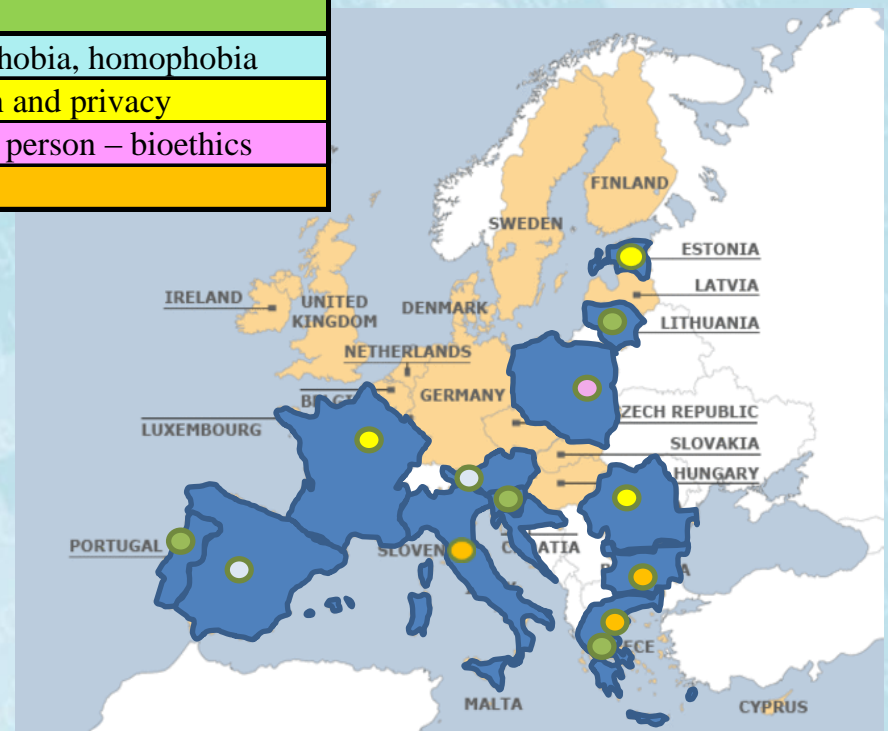
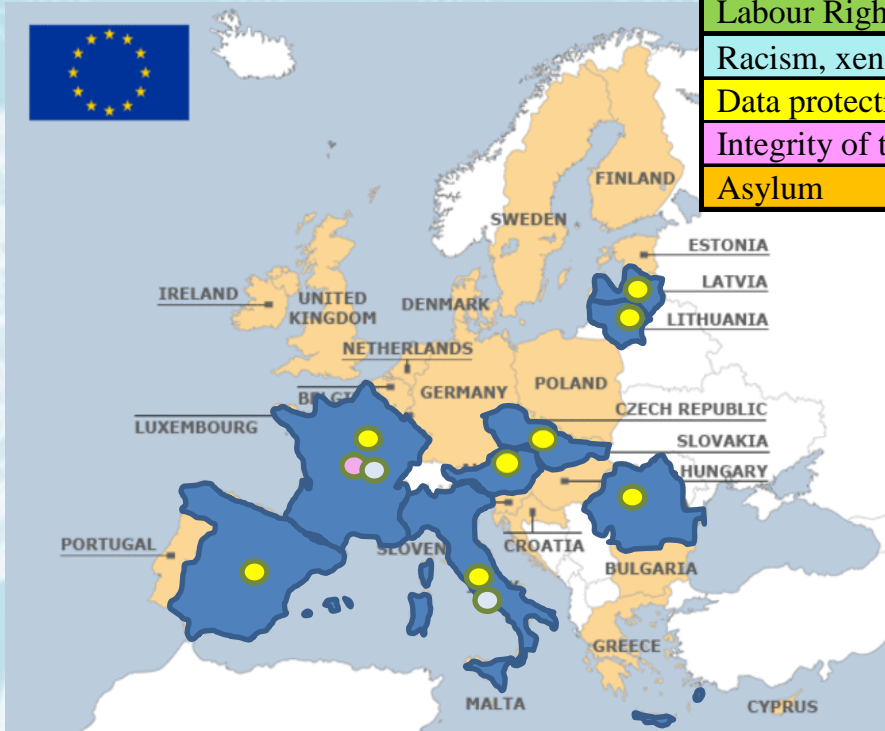
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HELP in the 28 - Coverage

Course
Labour Rights
Racism, xenophobia, homophobia
Data protection and privacy
Integrity of the person – bioethics
Asylum



Bar Associations

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National Training Institutions

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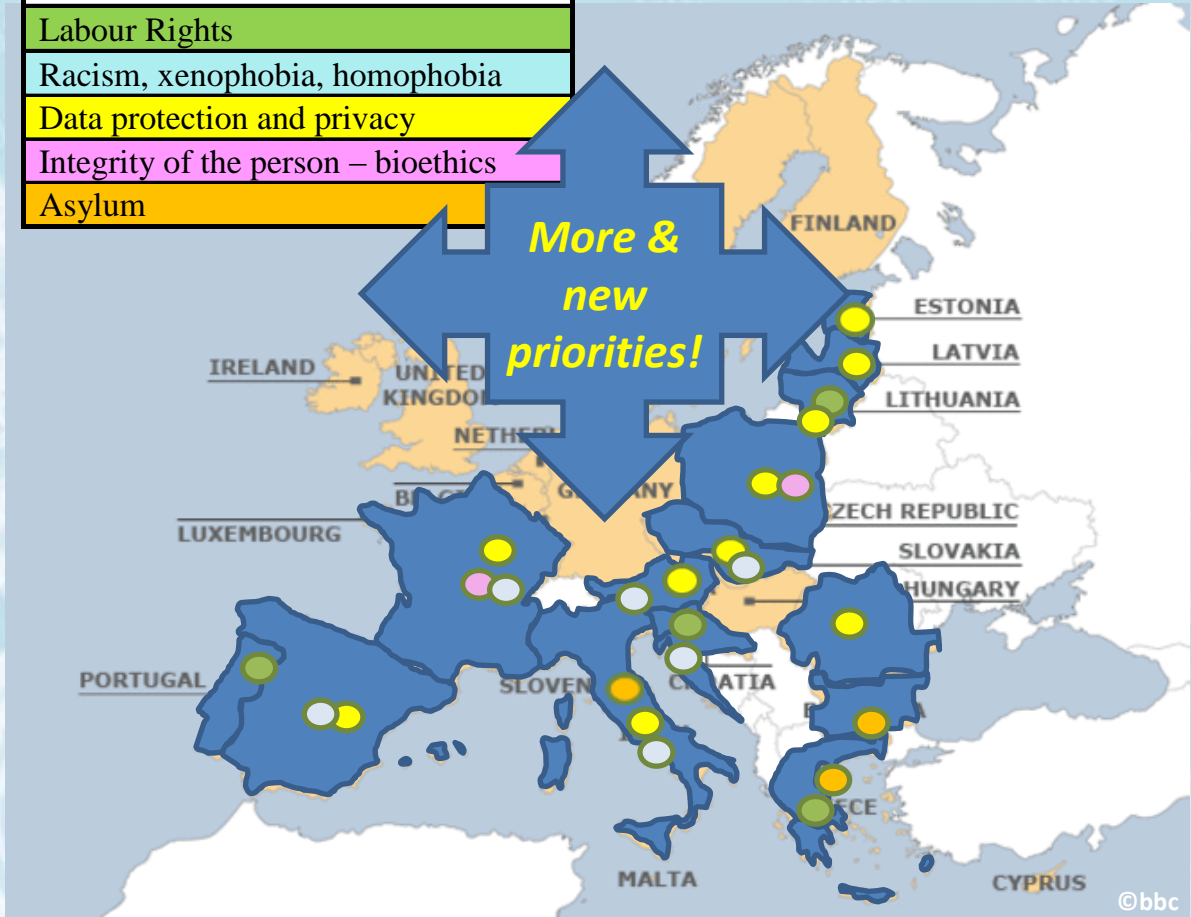


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HELP in the 28

Course
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Asylum



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- Austria
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Czech R.
- Estonia
- France
- Greece
- Italy
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Poland
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain

- Not yet**
- Belgium
 - Cyprus
 - Denmark
 - Finland
 - Germany
 - Hungary
 - Ireland
 - Luxembourg
 - Malta
 - Netherlands
 - Sweden

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HELP in the 28

“European Seminar on Legal Training and Evaluation Methodology”

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Discussion groups (thematic approach “HELP in the 28” courses)

- Data protection and privacy rights
- Fight against racism, xenophobia, homophobia – Asylum
- Labour Rights and Right to the Integrity of the Person (bioethics)

Discussion groups on how to do HR/legal training (focus on HELP28)

- Focal Points /National Training Institutions and national tutors
- Info Points/ Bar Associations and national tutors

Discussion groups on evaluation methodologies. How to measure the impact of HR/legal training

- Focal Points
- Info Points
- National tutors

HELP in the 28 – Wrapping up

Obstacles/lessons learned

✓ Time pressure

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✓ Organisational and logistic challenges
(16 EU MS but CoE/EU rules)

✓ Not yet all EU countries covered

✓ And so on...



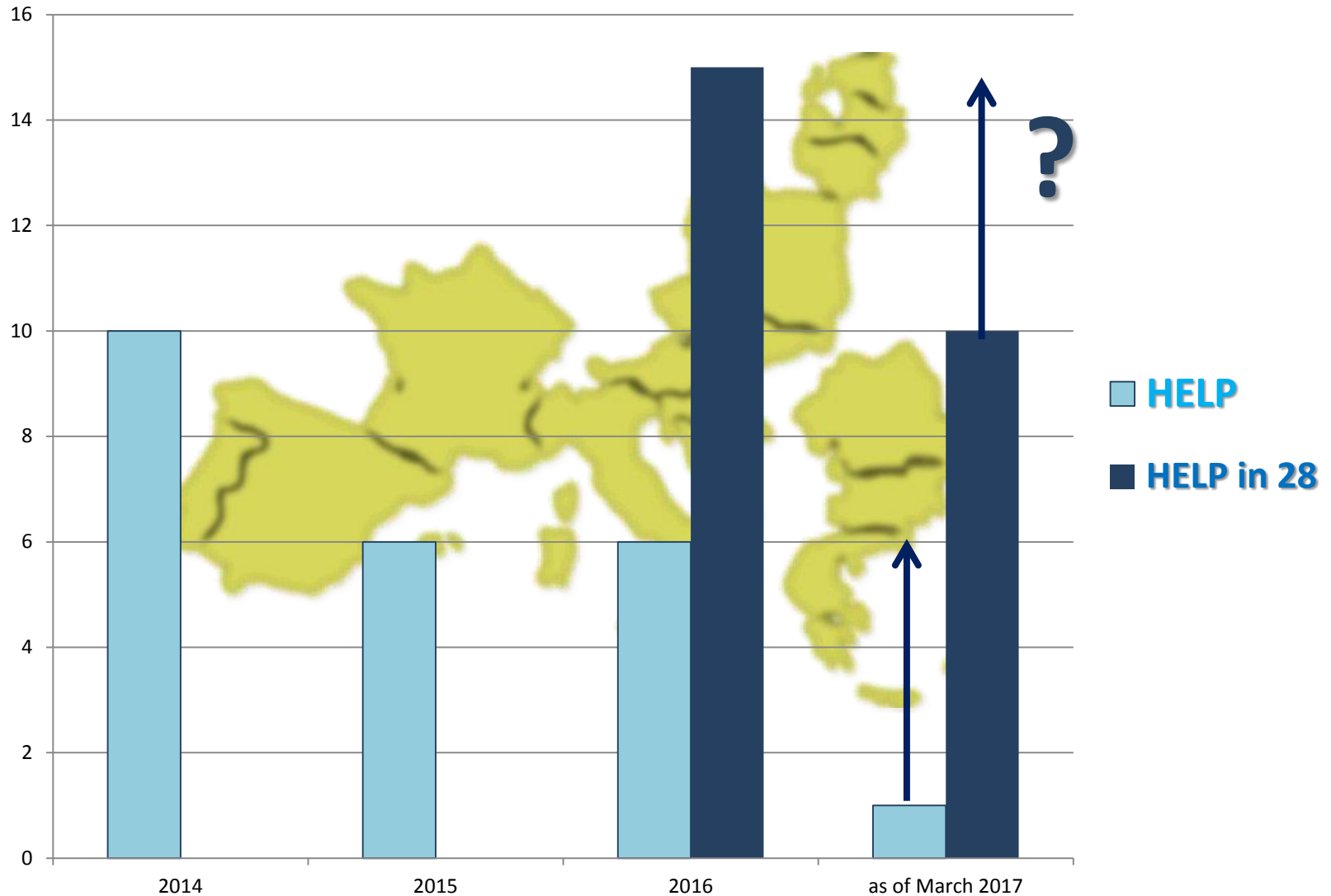
versions

HELP in the 28 – Wrapping up



- ✓ Partners' commitment (**NTI, BA, EJTN**) & HELP flexibility
- ✓ Increase of HELP contact points
- ✓ Networking (European Seminars) (**BE, FR, SL, ES**)
- ✓ Joint courses - judges and lawyers (**FR, HR, LT**)
- ✓ Multi-country launching (**CZ, SK**)
- ✓ Embedding courses in nat'l curricula (**BG, FR, PT**)
- ✓ Replication of HELP courses by partners (**RO**)
- ✓ Impact of courses into larger fora (**CY** social rights)
- ✓ More courses than foreseen (**IT**)
- ✓ Adapting content to context (**AT, PO**)
- ✓ Organisation of HELP ToT jointly with NTI (**FR**)
- ✓ Shouldering costs of courses (**ES**)

Impact of HELP in the 28



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Good training for good judgments

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