

# **Country Factsheet**

DEPARTMENT FOR THE EXECUTION OF JUDGMENTS OF THE EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS

SERVICE DE L'EXÉCUTION DES ARRÊTS DE LA COUR EUROPÉENNE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME

Norway	
Membership to the Council of Europe	5 May 1949
Entry into force of the European Convention on Human Rights	3 September 1953
First case under supervision of execution	E. (11701/85) Judgment final on 29 August 1990
Total number of cases transmitted for supervision since the entry into force of the Convention	35
Total number of cases closed by final resolution	30

# MAIN ISSUES BEFORE THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS - ONGOING SUPERVISION\*

#### > Private and family life - Adoption

Shortcomings in the decision-making process resulting in the removal of a mother's parental authority and adoption of her son, due to the lack of genuine balancing between the child's interests and his biological family.

#### Strand Lobben and Others

(37283/13)

Judgment final on 10/09/2019

**Status of execution** Enhanced supervision

#### > Private and family life - Public care and access rights

Deprivation of contact between a mother and her child because of abduction risk, without taking due account of the potential negative long-term consequences of a permanent separation of the child from her natural mother.

#### Jansen (2822/16)

Judgment final on 06/12/2018

Status of execution Standard supervision

<sup>\*</sup> Detailed information concerning the Committee of Ministers' supervision of the execution of judgments and decisions of the European Court of Human Rights, notably the distinction between enhanced and standard supervision, are available on the website of the Department for the Execution of Judgments.



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### SUPERVISION CLOSED - MAIN REFORMS ADOPTED\*\*

#### > Length of judicial proceedings

Adoption of preventive measures to accelerate criminal and civil proceedings, together with compensatory remedies and the possibility to obtain a shortening of sentence in criminal proceedings.

A. and E. Riis (16468/05)

Judgment final on 17/04/2008

Final Resolution CM/ResDH(2009)109

**Adoption in 2004 of a plan** for the systematic reduction of the pending caseload and the speedy processing of applications for industrial property rights.

Kristiansen and Tyvik AS (25498/08)

Judgment final on 02/08/2013

Final Resolution CM/ResDH(2015)82

#### > Fairness of judicial proceedings – criminal charges

Abolition in 2003 of the requirement for acquitted persons to prove that they had not committed the offences they had been charged with to obtain full compensation for detention.

**O.** and **Y.** (29327/95, 56568/00) Judgments final on 11/05/2003

Final Resolution CM/ResDH(2009)8

#### > Protection of property rights

Introduction in 2015 of a mechanism allowing rent increases on extension of ground lease contracts which reflect the market value of the undeveloped plot.

As regards contracts previously extended pursuant to the former rules, the amended Ground Lease Act has retrospective effect, so that lessors are entitled to claim rent adjustment.

Lindheim and Others (13221/08+)

Judgment final on 22/10/2012

Final Resolution CM/ResDH(2016)46

#### > Right to education

Removal of the preference to the Christian faith in religious education and recognition of the right to be fully-exempted from this subject, whose name was replaced by the neutral name "Religion, Philosophies of Life and Ethics". This subject must be presented in an objective, critical and pluralistic manner.

Folgerø and Others (15472/02+)

Judgment final on 29/06/2007

Final Resolution CM/ResDH(2011)237

#### > Protection of private life

Obligation to attach due weight to unreasonably prolonged cases processing children's particularly strong ties to parents subject to expulsion, and earlier disruption and hardship in children's family life.

Nunez (55597/09)

Judgment final on 28/09/2011

Final resolution CM/ResDH(2013)117

<sup>\*\*</sup> This section may also include certain major reforms already implemented in the context of cases still pending.

For a thorough overview of reforms adopted since the entry into force of Protocol No. 11 in 1998 see the Annual Report 2015, Part IV "Main achievements". As regards the period 1959-1998, see the overview provided by the European Court in its special publication "Survey: 40 years of activity", section IV "Effects of judgments and decisions" – both documents, together with a number of additional ones, are available also on the website of the Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights.



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# **SUPERVISION CLOSED - MAIN REFORMS ADOPTED\*\***

#### > Freedom of expression and information

Abolition in 2004 of liability in civil proceedings for defamation for the publication, in good faith, of factual statements on questions of general interest that were eventually not proven to be true.

Bladet Tromsø A/S and Stensaas; (21980/93+)

Judgment final on 20/05/1999

Final Resolution ResDH(2002)70

Modification of the statute of the National Public Broadcaster (NRK) in 2009 introducing the obligation to provide broad and balanced coverage of political elections and editorial coverage also to smaller political parties in the statute of

TV Vest As and Rogaland Pensjonistparti (21132/05) Judgment final on 11/03/2009

Final Resolution CM/ResDH(2011)234

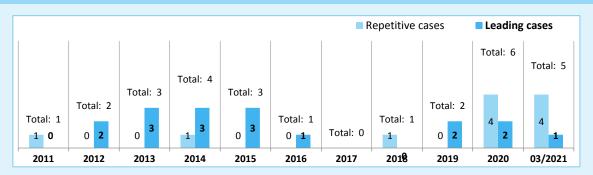
# **STATISTICS\*\*\***

#### **New cases**

(judgments transmitted for supervision of their execution during the year)



#### **Pending cases**



# Cases closed by final resolution



# Just satisfaction awarded by the European Court



Detailed statistics are available in the annual reports of the Committee of Ministers. Figures are reported as they appear in the annual report for each year.