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I. HUMAN RIGHTS

Activity	1.1. JP Enhancing Human Rights protection in Kosovo* (Kosovo*-HR)
Purpose	To improve implementation of standards under the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR), the standards and findings of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) and the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities (FCNM). To bring the legislative framework in the area of human rights, including its institutional aspects, in line with European human rights standards.
Main partners	Ombudsperson institution; Advisory Office of Good Governance, Human Rights, Equal Opportunities and Gender Issues (OGG) at the Office of the Prime Minister, Municipal Offices for Communities and Return at local level, civil society.
Duration	01/02/2012 - 31/07/2013 A no-cost extension for the duration of 7 months (31 July 2013-28 February 2014) is under consideration.
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Programme envelope : € 1 111 112
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Human Rights Policy and Development Department
Status	Active

Activity	1.2. Support towards the implementation of anti-discrimination legislation
Purpose	Non-discrimination legislation was adopted in Kosovo* in 2004 and its practical implementation is facilitated by a number of Administrative Instructions. However, there is a lack of awareness of its applicability, lack of understanding of its scope and a lack of awareness by the general population on the human right to non-discrimination. The project will combine support to the anti-discrimination mechanisms, technical training for lawyers and NGOs on how to apply the provisions of the anti-discrimination law and draw from the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR). Wider work on public perception will also be carried out.
Main partners	Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare; Ministry of Internal Affairs; Ombudsperson Institution; OGG; civil society.
Duration	24 months
Funding	Funding required: € 1 000 000
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Directorate of Human Rights and Antidiscrimination
Status	Non-Active

Activity	1.3. Encouraging the inclusion of the provisions of the CoE Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (CETS 197) into the legislation and policy of Kosovo*
Purpose	To raise awareness on the CoE Convention on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (CETS 197) in order to effectively combat trafficking in human beings in Kosovo*. To bring the legislation of Kosovo* in compliance with the provision of the CoE Convention, to make sure that the next anti-trafficking strategy is in line with CoE's standards and to strengthen partnership between public authorities and civil society.

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Main partners	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Internal Affairs
Duration	24 months
Funding	Funding required: € 100 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Gender Equality and Human Dignity Department
Status	Non-Active

Activity	1.4. Support to the Development of a Drug Strategy for Kosovo*
Purpose	The overall objective of the proposed project is to elaborate, in close cooperation with the authorities, a drug policy strategy including prevention, treatment, rehabilitation, fight against illicit drug markets and trafficking. This project has also several specific objectives: i.e. to develop guidelines as to through-care in prisons and community and implementation of benchmarks as to substitution treatment and care in prisons and the community at large; to support in government policy and civil society at large in responding to the drug phenomena in Kosovo*.
Main partners	Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice (Correctional Service and Prison Health Service)
Duration	24 months
Funding	Funding available: € 20,000 Additional funding required: € 40,000
Relevant MAE	DG1 –Pompidou Group
Status	Non-Active

Activity	1.5. Awareness raising campaign on violence against women, including domestic violence
Purpose	The overall objective of the joint project between the CoE and the Swiss Confederation is to raise awareness in Kosovo* on the issue of violence against women being a human rights violation and encourage every citizen to challenge it. The action consist of a travelling photographic exhibition “It starts with a scream and must never end in silence” to be displayed in prominent public locations within the campaign against domestic violence “break the silence”.
Main partners	Authorities of Kosovo*, NGOs
Duration	12 months
Funding	Funding available (contribution by Switzerland and ordinary budget) : € 3,000
Relevant MAE	CoE office in Pristina
Status	Active

Regional/Multilateral activities

Activity	1.6. JP Promoting Human Rights and Minority Protection in South East Europe (MinRights)
Purpose	To improve respect for human rights, particularly minority protection, in line with the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities, by enhancing the capacities of the relevant protection bodies and the regional coherence of their activities.
Main partners	Ministry for Communities and Return, Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, OGG, Ombudsperson Institution, Municipalities, Consultative Councils, civil society.
Duration	30/11/2011 - 29/11/2014

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Project area	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”, and Kosovo*
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Budgetary allocation to Kosovo*: € 515 000 (from the total envelope of € 3 600 000)
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Education Department
Status	Active

Activity	1.7. JP Intercultural Mediation for Roma communities (ROMED I + II)
Purpose	<p>Mediation is one of the measures used across Europe to tackle the inequalities Roma face in terms of access to employment, healthcare services and quality education. Based on the Strasbourg Declaration, adopted in October 2010 at the High Level Meeting on Roma, a European Training Programme for Mediators has been implemented in the framework the multilateral Joint EU/CoE programme ROMED since July 2011. A follow up multilateral Joint Programme started in March 2013. Further action on Roma mediation in Kosovo* will also be tackled under the JP Increasing access to education and intercultural understanding: EU/CoE Support in the field of education to forced measures of Returnee and to Roma Ashkali and Egyptian communities to Education in Kosovo* (see 3.2)</p> <p>The overall objectives of ROMED are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To improve equal access to public services for Roma; • To improve dialogue and confidence between Roma communities and public institutions; • To enhance democratic participation and visible empowerment of Roma communities; • To stimulate an increased responsiveness of public institutions towards Roma.
Main partners	The authorities responsible for the employment of mediators are the main partners (ministries of education, health, social affairs). Other partners include public institutions (schools, healthcare providers, employment offices, etc.), Roma organisations, and representatives of Roma communities.
Duration	06/07/2011 - 31/12/2014
Project area:	Albania, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Czech Republic, France, Germany, Greece, Hungary, Italy, Portugal, Republic of Moldova, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”, Turkey, Ukraine, United Kingdom, and Kosovo*
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Budgetary allocation to Kosovo*: under ROMED I € 40 000 (from the total envelope of € 2 000 000); additional allocation for Kosovo* under ROMED II tbc (from the total project envelope of € 2 000 000)
Relevant MAE	Support Team to the Special Representative of the SG for Roma issues
Status	Active

Activity	1.8. European Programme for human rights education for legal professionals (HELP)
Purpose	Enhancing judges, prosecutors and lawyers’ capacity to apply the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) in their daily work.
Main partners	Judicial Institute
Duration	01/02/2010 - 31/12/2013
Project area	47 Council of Europe (CoE) member states, and Kosovo*

* see footnote 1 page 1

Funding	CoE Human Rights Trust Fund Budgetary allocation to Kosovo*: € 20 000 (from the total envelope of € 1 530 000).
Relevant MAE	DG1 - Human Rights Policy and Development Department
Status	Active

Activity	1.9. Promoting freedom of expression and information and freedom of the media in South-Eastern Europe
Purpose	The project will aim at promoting freedom of expression and freedom of the media in South-Eastern Europe (SEE). The specific objectives of the project will be to enhance the independence and effectiveness of the body responsible for broadcasting regulation and enabling the public-service broadcasting system to better fulfil its remit. The project will also seek to develop professionalism, responsibility and respect of ethical rules among journalists. In addition, the CoE will provide legal assistance for aligning the laws and regulations in the traditional and new media field with CoE standards and to secure the proper implementation of the legal framework through the incorporation in public authorities' daily practice of European standards in the field of freedom of expression.
Main partners	Press Council; Independent Media Commission; Association of Professional Journalists of Kosovo*; public authorities
Duration	September 2013 – September 2015 (24 months)
Project area	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Montenegro, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", and Kosovo*
Funding	Funding available for Kosovo*: € 150 000 (from the total envelope of € 1 003 262) secured under Norway Framework Agreement. Additional funding required for Kosovo*: € 50 000 (from the total amount required of € 300 000).
Relevant MAE	DG1 - Media, Information Society Data Protection and Cybercrime Department
Status	Non-Active

II. RULE OF LAW

Activity	2.1. JP Project against Economic Crime in Kosovo* (PECK)
Purpose	To strengthen institutional capacities to counter corruption, money laundering and the financing of terrorism in accordance with European standards through assessments and recommendations for improving and streamlining reform against economic crime in Kosovo*
Main partners	Kosovo* Anti-corruption Agency; Financial Intelligence Centre; OGG. In addition the following beneficiaries will participate throughout the project's implementation when the 2 component' assessments on Anti-corruption and anti-money laundering and countering of terrorist financing will take place in two cycles: Special Prosecutors Office , Judicial Council, Prosecutorial Council, Police, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Agency for Managing Seized and Confiscated Assets, Ministry of Economy and Finance , Central Bank , Ministry of Justice , Customs , Office of Auditor General , Procurement Review Body , Public Procurement Regulatory Commission , Central Electoral Commission
Duration	01/02/2012 - 31/07/2014
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Programme envelope: € 1 200 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Action against crime Department (Economic Crime Unit)
Status	Active

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Activity	2.2. JP Project against Economic Crime in Kosovo* (PECK II)
Purpose	The ongoing implementation of PECK I through its identification and assessment tools has so far shown that anti-corruption and AML/CFT systems in Kosovo* remain weak, due to significant deficiencies, particularly in the area of implementation and effectiveness of existing legislative and institutional measures. This is manifested by shortcomings at the level of specific governing institutions and sectors, as well as by major deficiencies of a common and cross-cutting nature such as inefficient interagency cooperation, data gathering, monitoring, lack of resources, etc. There is a need for a sustained and on continuous basis assessment mechanism for Kosovo* in the area of economic crime in order to ensure assessment and measuring of compliance with evolving international and European standards, as well as provide for targeted follow-up assistance based on the gaps and shortcomings identified through the assessment exercise.
Main partners	Kosovo* Anti-corruption Agency ; Financial Intelligence Centre; OGG.
Duration	36 months
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Programme envelope: € 1 500 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Action against crime Department (Economic Crime Unit)
Status	Non Active (under discussion with the EU)

Activity	2.3. Strengthening the capacity of judges and prosecutors of Kosovo* as regards the implementation of European human rights standards
Purpose	The overall objective of the proposed project is to increase the efficiency of the judiciary of Kosovo* through strengthening the judges' and prosecutors' capacity as regards the implementation of the ECHR and to bring judicial practice in line with the ECtHR case law. This will increase the possibilities for population of Kosovo* to rely on the ECHR guarantees when seeking the protection of their rights in freedoms in Kosovo* courts. This project will also increase the training capacities of the Kosovo* Justice Institute and to incorporate the CoE HELP Programme into its training curricula.
Main partners	Judicial Institute, Ministry of Justice, Constitutional Court
Duration	18 months
Funding	Funding required: € 800 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Justice and Legal Co-operation Department
Status	Non-Active

Activity	2.4. Improving the independence, the quality and efficiency of the justice system of Kosovo*
Purpose	The project aims to support the Kosovo* justice system to better comply with the standards set by the CoE as regards the independence and the professionalism of the judiciary and the prosecution, by ensuring that these standards are known and applied in the day-to-day work of the institutions responsible for the career of judges and prosecutors. In addition, the project aims to improve the day-to-day functioning and quality of the justice system, by making available to the authorities the well-known methodology and tools of the CEPEJ, which have not been applied in Kosovo* so far. Their application should lead to an increased capacity of the responsible authorities to assess the efficiency of the Kosovo* judicial system, as well as to ensure that justice is delivered within a reasonable time and that it meets good quality standards, in accordance with the CEPEJ Checklist.

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	The efficiency of the Kosovo* judicial system will be assessed and an evaluation report drawn up. CEPEJ tools on time management and quality will be applied in selected pilot courts and the training curriculum of the Kosovo* Judicial Institute will be reviewed, in particular as regards judicial time management and court management. Trainers will be trained with a view to the full dissemination of CEPEJ tools in Kosovo*.
Main partners	Judicial Council, Judicial Institute, Prosecutorial Council, Ministry of Justice, Ombudsperson institution.
Duration	24 months
Funding	Funding required: € 1 000 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Justice and Legal Co-operation Department
Status	Non-Active

Activity	2.5. Constitutional Court of Kosovo*
Purpose	The overall objective of the project is to improve the capacity of the Constitutional Court of Kosovo* to ensure the protection of individual human rights and fundamental freedoms in Kosovo* through the effective application of European human rights norms to individual complaints. The project aims to support the professional placement within the Registry of the European Court of Human Rights of legal advisers employed by the Constitutional Court of Kosovo*, and to strengthen their capacity to analyse and reason the interpretation of the standards contained in the European Convention on Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, as required by the Constitution of Kosovo*.
Main partners	Constitutional Court
Duration	Option 1 : 6 years - 12x5 months (one placement per time period) Option 2: 3 years – 6x5 months (two placements per time period)
Funding	Funding required: € 236 400
Relevant MAE	European Court of Human Rights
Status	Non-Active

Activity	2.6. Support to the implementation of CPT Standards
Purpose	Further to the publication of the most recent CPT report, there is an opportunity to develop a project providing capacity-building expertise in this area of CPT standards related to detention and closed institutions. This project shall focus on, inter alia, capacity-building support on the implementation of the European Prison rules, targeting both pre-trial and penitentiary facilities. Such a project would also complement other CoE efforts (through the JP on Enhancing Human Rights Protection in Kosovo*- see 1.1) to support efforts to create an OPCAT-compatible Preventive Mechanism and assist it in developing operational capacities in the field. The project shall focus on prison management (combat the phenomena of corruption and favouritism and ill-treatment) and health care in prisons and procedural safeguards against ill-treatment for police.
Main partners	Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of Justice, staff of closed detention facilities and closed healthcare institutions, police/prosecutors, Ombudsperson and civil society.
Duration	12 months
Funding	Funding required: € 225 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Action against crime Department
Status	Non-Active

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Activity	2.7. Strengthening of Internet governance ethics as a tool for increasing the protection of human rights
Purpose	The overall objective of the proposed project is to improve protection of human rights on the Internet, in particular freedom of expression and privacy in line with Articles 10 and 8 of the ECHR. The project should also improve the overall capacity of public officials and private sector to understand and implement Internet governance from the human rights perspective. It should also allow to strengthen civil society and media's watchdog role on the Internet and human rights and strengthen the capacity of vulnerable groups, particularly children and youth to exercise their human rights on the Internet.
Main partners	OGG; Ministry of Education, Science and Technology; Ministry of Transport and Telecommunications; Telecommunications Regulatory Authority; Internet Service Providers; NGOs; Post and Telecommunications of Kosovo*.
Duration	18 months
Funding	Funding required: € 1 000 000
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Information Society Department
Status	Non-Active

Regional/Multilateral activities

Activity	2.8. JP Regional Cooperation in Criminal Justice: Strengthening capacities in the fight against cybercrime (CyberCrime@IPA)
Purpose	To support the Kosovo* institutions in their efforts to take effective measures against cybercrime based on existing tools and instruments, in particular the Budapest Convention on Cybercrime, through: support and advice for enhanced international cooperation; support for the preparation of strategies and policies on cybercrime; support for law enforcement by providing best practices and training; support for the improvement of prosecution standards and investigative techniques; support to the efforts to fight economic and organised crime, including money laundering and financial investigations; provision of guidelines on the best practices for the establishment of effective public-private cooperation in fighting cybercrime. The project provides tools to monitor, follow-up and support effective implementation of CoE and other international standards in this respect
Main partners	Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Economic Development, KP (Department Against Organised Crime), Prosecutor's Office, Justice Institute.
Duration	01/11/2010 – 30/06/2013
Project area	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", Turkey, and Kosovo*
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Budgetary allocation to Kosovo*: € 350 000 (from the total envelope of € 2 777 778)
Relevant MAE	DG1 – Media, Information Society, Data Protection and Cybercrime Department
Status	Active

* see footnote 1 page 1

III. DEMOCRACY

Activity	3.1. JP Support to the Promotion of Cultural Diversity in Kosovo*– Heritage Community Network in Action (PCDK-II)
Purpose	<p>As a follow-up to the project PCDK I, which focussed on activities with regard to the process of rehabilitation of cultural heritage, the project aims at facilitating the development of viable heritage planning and management in Kosovo* in accordance with European norms and standards, with a strong emphasis on community well-being through the active participation of all stakeholders and civil society.</p> <p>The project mainly aims at:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Strengthening the capacity of the administration at all levels by improving the organisational and operational capacity, by developing a coherent programme of work and a strategy for heritage planning and management and by establishing the appropriate conditions for the implementation of the law on cultural heritage. • Raising the awareness of the general public and especially children, young people and minority groups about the importance of cultural and natural heritage as a common heritage, independent from any ethnic or religious considerations. • Supporting local development through strategies on heritage management and heritage tourism based on Regional Heritage Plans, through socio-economic development based on regional coordination structures for cultural diversity and heritage management and through private-public partnerships for local development initiatives. • Enhancing the well-being of all communities by initiating innovative pilot actions based on a common heritage where elements from the first three components come together with the active involvement of stakeholders in order to increase ownership in the process of heritage rehabilitation and promotion.
Main partners	Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sport, regional and local institutions, the Serbian Orthodox Church, civil society
Duration	01/10/2012 - 31/03/2015
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Programme envelope: € 2 400 000
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Democratic Institutions and Governance Department
Status	Active

Activity	3.2. JP Increasing access to education and intercultural understanding: EU/CoE support in the field of education to forced returnee and to Roma Ashkali and Egyptian communities in Kosovo*
Purpose	<p>Support the implementation of Kosovo* Education Strategic Plan and quality assurance in education.</p> <p>To ensure greater social cohesion, confidence between majority and minority communities and promotion of socio-economic development of disadvantaged returnee and Roma Ashkali and Egyptian communities by supporting active measures for the integration and inclusion of these communities in Kosovo* into education and into schooling in particular.</p> <p>This project is a follow-up to the previous EU-CoE Joint Programme “Education in Kosovo*: Inter-culturalism and the Bologna Process” implemented from 2008 to 2011.</p>
Main partners	Ministry of Education, Science and Technology; NGOs
Duration	01/06/2013- 30/05/2015

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Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Programme envelope: € 1 115 000
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Education Department
Status	Active

Activity	3.3. Ensuring Quality Education in Kosovo*
Purpose	The focus of this proposed project will be on the one hand traditional areas of expertise of the Council of Europe: education for democratic citizenship and human rights education, history teaching and inclusive education. It will also touch upon a new area – corruption in education - based upon the conclusions of the Ministers of Education in Helsinki in April 2013. The overall objective of the project is to improve quality education in Kosovo*; to promote democratic citizenship and human rights in schools and to support multi-perspectivity in history teaching as a source for reconciliation between communities; to foster inclusive education approaches in the education system; to combat corruption in education and contribute to a pan-European platform of exchange of information and best practices on ethics and integrity in education and to contribute to the “Helsinki agenda for quality education in Europe”.
Main partners	Ministry of Education, Science and Technology, pedagogical institutes, schools; municipal education departments
Duration	36 months
Funding	Funding required: € 3 million
Relevant MAE	DG 2 - Education Department
Status	Non-Active

Activity	3.4. Development of local democracy and governance in Kosovo*
Purpose	The overall objective of the proposed project is to develop local self-government in Kosovo* in accordance with the principles of local and regional democracy. Based on an assessment of the state of implementation of the principles of the European Charter of Local Self-Government, the Congress will organise a seminar in Pristina so as to facilitate discussions among stakeholders, and advise Kosovo* municipalities and authorities on ways how to further strengthen local authorities. The project will also include a capacity building dimension aimed at strengthening the leadership capacities of mayors and members of municipal councils and by this increase confidence and trust of citizens in local authorities. This will be based on a peer-to-peer approach and best practices, involving members of the Congress. (N.B.: The project will be adapted in the light of developments in the field of local and regional democracy).
Main partners	Association of Kosovo* Municipalities, Network of Associations of Local Authorities of South-East Europe, Ministry for Local Government Administration, Local Democracy Agency, NGOs.
Duration	01/09/2013 – 31/12/2014
Funding	Funding required: € 300 000
Relevant MAE	The Congress of Local and Regional Authorities
Status	Non-Active

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Activity	3.5. Strengthening local democracy in Kosovo*
Purpose	<p>Based on its toolkits, the Centre of Expertise has been supporting the Association of Kosovo* Municipalities to implement tailor-made activities with a view to strengthening the capacities of local self-governments. A 2nd phase of the <i>Best Practice Programme</i> (BPP) which started in 2012 is currently ongoing and aims at identifying and disseminating best local initiatives and achievements through a systematic approach. A more comprehensive project is proposed on "<i>Promoting Local development in in Kosovo*</i>" with the following main objectives:</p> <p>1. To improve the institutional knowledge of local authorities by helping to create a support structure, developing and implementing impact-oriented programmes in the following fields:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - municipal planning and economic development; - benchmarking for local finance and budgeting; - improving local services through performance management schemes. <p>2. To promote the identification and dissemination of best practices between Kosovo* municipalities through the continuation of the current <i>Best Practice Programme</i>.</p>
Main partners	Association of Kosovo* Municipalities
Duration	01/01/2013 - 30/09/2013 for the ongoing 2 nd phase of the BPP 01/06/2013 – 01/06/2016 for programme on <i>Promoting Local Development in Kosovo*</i>
Funding	Funding available: € 45 000 (ordinary budget) Additional funding required: € 655 000
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Democratic Institutions and Governance Department
Status	Active - Best Practice Programme Non-Active - Programme on <i>Promoting Local Development in Kosovo*</i> .

Activity	3.6. Training course for trainers in Human Rights Education
Purpose	<p>The project is aimed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • support the dissemination and implementation of the CoE Charter on Education for Democratic Citizenship and Human Rights Education especially among non-governmental youth partners; • train trainers and multipliers in adopting human rights education and human rights-based approaches to youth work; • mainstream human rights education approaches and methods in youth policy; • support informal networks of trainers and advocates for human rights education; • make available educational resources for human rights education, namely the "Compass" manual on human rights education with young people (in Albanian and Serbian languages).
Main partners	Youth and human rights organisations
Duration	5 months in 2013
Funding	Funding required: € 20 000
Relevant MAE	DG 2 - Youth Department
Status	Non-Active

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Activity	3.7. Addressing Post-Conflict Situation in Kosovo* through civil society, media and youth
Purpose	The overall objective of the project is to build confidence among various ethnic groups of the Kosovo* population. This will be done via three target groups: NGOs, youth and media, which have a multiplying role in society. Specific objectives of the project are: to install a dialogue between NGOs, journalists and young people from the two ethnic communities, to raise awareness of existing shared values among peers groups, especially at professional level; to elaborate and implement small scale bi-communal initiatives with a view to provide the population with better balanced services and information and to improve the capacity of the target groups to address sensitive issues in a balanced way.
Main partners	NGOs, two Kosovo* comparable media outlets (one Serb speaking and one Albanian speaking), Ministry of Education, Ministry of Youth and Sport.
Duration	01/01/2014 - 31/12/2015
Funding	Funding available: € 120,000 (ordinary budget) Additional funding required: € 980,000
Relevant MAE	Directorate of Political Advice
Status	Non-Active

Activity	3.8. De-constructing hate speech and building confidence for conflict transformation among young people in Kosovo* and neighbouring regions
Purpose	This activity aims at combating hate speech and promoting a culture of peace, human rights and reconciliation by raising young people's awareness about hate speech and reducing their acceptance of hate speech, particularly hate speech involving or targeting counterparts in armed conflicts, be them minorities in Kosovo* or not. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To support an online campaign in Kosovo* against hate speech targeted at communities, notably through the setting up of a Campaign Support Group within the youth campaign No Hate Speech Movement - To develop confidence-building and reconciliation measures through non-formal education activities in school and out-of-school - To create a network of 25 online young activists from Kosovo* (various communities) and entrust them with running an online site and campaign against hate speech and for reconciliation - To support young people in all regions of Kosovo* to act for human rights and work towards overcoming the inherited conflicts and the culture that nourishes conflict.
Main partners	Youth and human rights organisations in Kosovo*.
Duration	September 2013 – April 2015
Funding	Funding available: € 5,000 (ordinary budget) Additional funding required: € 35,000
Relevant MAE	DG 2 - Youth Department
Status	Non-Active

Regional/Multilateral activities

Activity	3.9. JP Support to Ljubljana Process II - Rehabilitating our Common Heritage
Purpose	To ensure supervision of the setting up process of a regional co-operation permanent mechanism in the fields of cultural heritage restoration and rehabilitation, and support the process with expertise in coordinated and integrated social and economic development strategies.
Main partners	Ministry of Culture, Youth and Sport

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Duration	19/05/2011 - 18/05/2014
Project area	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Montenegro, Romania, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia and Kosovo"
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Budgetary allocation to Kosovo*: € 55 000 (from the total programme envelope of € 500 042)
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Culture, Heritage and Diversity Department
Status	Active

Activity	3.10. JP Regional Support for Inclusive Education
Purpose	<p>To enhance, in line with the beneficiaries' commitments to EU accession and CoE standards, social inclusion and social cohesion in the region by promoting inclusive education and training.</p> <p>To promote the concept of inclusive education, as well as relevant policies and practices of inclusive education in the formal education system at pre-university level in SEE, through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • setting up regional support mechanisms and resources for pilot inclusive schools; • raising awareness of the benefits of inclusive education for the general public as well as decision makers; • enhancing the capacities of policymakers for designing and implementing inclusive education policies; • improving teacher competences and practices for inclusive education.
Main partners	Ministries of Education and other relevant Ministries related to Minorities and Human Rights, Ministries of Health, of Social Affairs; education policy institutes; civil society.
Duration	01/10/2012 - 30/09/2015
Project areas	Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia" and Kosovo*
Funding	EU-CoE Joint Programme Budgetary allocation to Kosovo*: € 730 000 (from the total programme envelope of € 5 110 215)
Relevant MAE	DG2 – Education Department
Status	Active

Activity	3.11. Regional Youth Peace Camp
Purpose	<p>The aim of the Regional Youth Peace Camp is to contribute to confidence-building in Kosovo* and its neighbours by engaging youth leaders and youth organisations in dialogue and conflict transformation activities based on human-rights education and intercultural learning.</p> <p>During the activity participants go through a dialogue process, listen to each other and develop common understanding and dialogue competences. Participants are provided with additional training in project management and encouraged to develop follow-up initiatives in their community and among them. Particular attention will be given to connect the peace camps with the No Hate Speech Movement campaign.</p>
Main partners	Youth organisations in Kosovo*, Serbia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the "former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"; Network of Youth Peace Ambassadors; committees of the No Hate Speech Movement campaign".

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Duration	Yearly activity (6 months in 2013 and 6 months in 2014; each session is composed of 3 months for 3 day preparation meeting, and preparation of project and participants; 7-8 days training meeting in the peace camp itself; 3 months supporting networking and following up actions between participants, and preparing documentation and reporting).
Project areas	Kosovo*, Serbia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and the "former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia"
Funding	Cost: € 60 000 per year secured through ordinary budget
Relevant MAE	DG 2 - Youth Department
Status	Active

Activity	3.12. Network of the Schools of Political Studies: Pristina Institute of Political Studies
Purpose	<p>The Schools of Political Studies promote democratic values, democratic processes and active participation in public life through training and confidence building measures for future generations of political, economic, social and cultural leaders in places in transition.</p> <p>The Pristina Institute of Political Studies, which actively participates in the Schools' Network, brings together young leaders from different political parties, the administration and sectors of civil society, the mass media and the business world. It supports the capacity building of the young political and civic leaders capable to manage democratisation processes by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • developing and consolidating an advanced training programme for political and civic leaders. • using its alumni as drivers for change in democratic processes.
Main partners	16 established CoE Schools of Political Studies in Eastern Europe and South Caucasus as well as new Schools being opened in Tunisia and Morocco.
Duration	01/01/2012 - 31/12/2014
Project areas	Albania, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Montenegro, Romania, Russian Federation, Serbia, "the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia", Ukraine, Belarus, Morocco, Tunisia, and Kosovo*
Funding	Total cost for Pristina Institute of Political Studies per year: € 70 000 € 20 000 secured through the ordinary budget. Additional funding required: € 50 000.
Relevant MAE	Directorate of Policy Planning
Status	Active

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