

**Increasing judicial capacity to safeguard human rights and combat ill-treatment and impunity  
(CAPI)**

***Project summary***

<b>Project title</b>	Increasing judicial capacity to safeguard human rights and combat ill-treatment and impunity (CAPI)
<b>Country</b>	“The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”
<b>Budget</b>	700 000 €
<b>Funding</b>	European Union/Council of Europe Horizontal Facility for the Western Balkans and Turkey
<b>Duration</b>	18 months (1 December 2016 – 31 May 2018)
<b>Partners and beneficiaries</b>	judges, prosecutors and legal advisors, Academy for Training of Judges and Prosecutors, Constitutional Court, Ministry of Justice, Ombudsperson Institution, Supreme Court
<b>Main objectives</b>	to contribute to the efforts of the “former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” to strengthen the capacities of legal professionals to safeguard human rights and combat ill-treatment and impunity
<b>Expected outputs and results</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- in-house capacity of the Academy for Training of Judges and Prosecutors to deliver human rights trainings to judges and prosecutors is strengthened and sustainable;</li> <li>- judges and legal advisors of the national courts are able to better apply European human rights standards in their daily work;</li> <li>- judges and prosecutors better interpret and apply the provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights (ECHR) and the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) case law;</li> <li>- the Constitutional Court is able to more effectively apply European human rights standards to individual complaints;</li> <li>- the capacity of the Academy for Training of Judges and Prosecutors to train legal professionals on combating ill-treatment and impunity is strengthened;</li> <li>- the capacity of legal professionals to combat ill-treatment and impunity in line with the ECHR and the ECtHR case law is enhanced.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Implemented or planned activities</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- needs-assessment aiming at identifying training needs on most important thematic aspects of the Article 3, 5 and 6 of the ECHR;</li> <li>- development of training materials on above thematic aspects and facilitation of training sessions using the newly developed training materials;</li> <li>- needs-assessment aiming at identifying most important thematic aspects and training needs of the Constitutional Court under the Articles of the ECHR;</li> <li>- creation of national pool of trainers on newly developed courses;</li> <li>- study visit to the Council of Europe, including attendance of the ECtHR Grand Chamber hearing;</li> <li>- study visit (for the judges of the Constitutional Court) to the Council of Europe to get in-depth knowledge about the ECHR and the ECtHR;</li> <li>- raising awareness activities for legal professionals, Ombudsperson, law-enforcement officials and representatives of NGOs on combating ill-treatment and impunity under Article 3 of the ECHR;</li> <li>- facilitation of working group meetings of the Appellate courts on harmonisation of courts' practice in line with the ECHR and ECtHR case law.</li> </ul>
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