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European Programme for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals Course presentation Ethics for Judges, Prosecutors and Lawyers

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Course Learning Objectives

By the end of this course, you will be able to:

- Understand the **purpose and importance of ethics** in the administration of justice for the benefit of the people
- Learn about relevant **international and European instruments**
- Identify **key concepts** of professional ethics
- Understand common **values, ethical principles, and virtues** which judges, prosecutors and lawyers must possess
- Deepen your knowledge and understanding of **professional tools** which help increase awareness about integrity challenges among legal professionals
- Develop **reflective skills**, based on practical examples, to address ethical dilemmas in the performance of professional duties.

The HELP online course on Ethics for Judges, Prosecutors and Lawyers has been developed by a panel of experts:



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Introduction (for all legal professionals)

1. Why does professional ethics matter
2. Common values and principles
3. Key concepts
4. Distinction between ethical principles and disciplinary rules

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Sources on ethical conduct



1. Treaty norms



2. United Nations



3. Council of Europe



4. European Union



5. Professional Bodies



6. Instruments of International Courts



Quiz



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Ethics for judges



1. Main principles



2. Qualities and virtues



3. Tools



4. Practical
examples



5. Quiz



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Ethics for Prosecutors



1. Main principles



2. Relation with the media



3. Tools



4. Quiz



Main principles of the ethics of lawyers

In this module we'll take a closer look to the following topics:



1. General Principles



2. Relation with other parties



3. Values



4. Tools



5. Practical examples



6. Quiz



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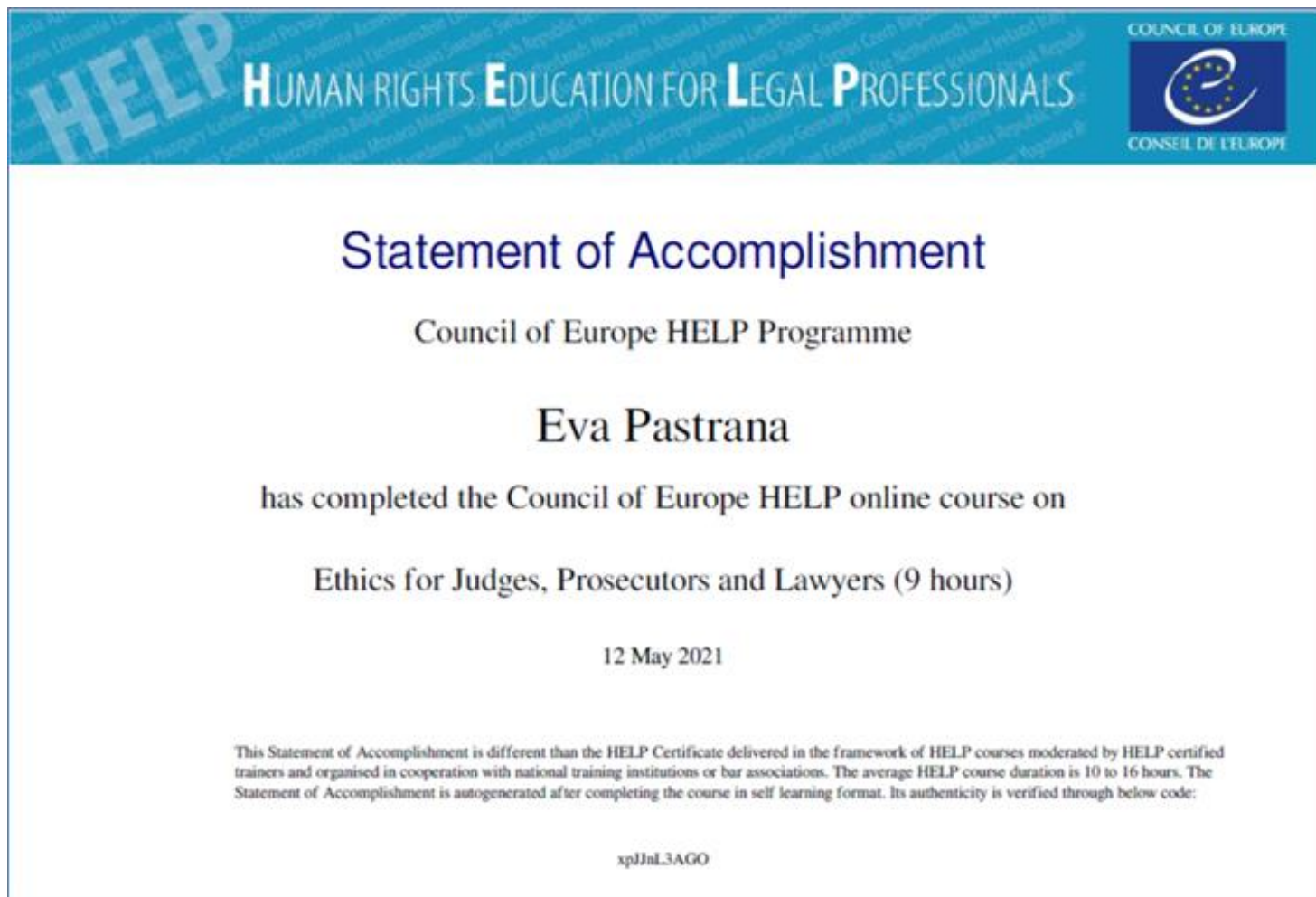
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Introduction**



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