

**HUMAN RIGHTS,
DEMOCRACY
AND THE RULE OF LAW**

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European Programme for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals “HELP” Strategy

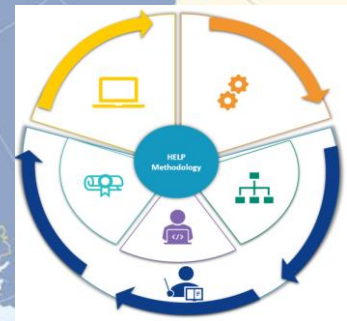


WHAT:
38 courses on
Human Rights
+300 national
versions

For WHOM:
HELP Network
Justice professionals
+/- 25,000 tutored courses
+ 90,000 users online

60 nat'l adaptations
since 

4,100 tutored
+45,000 since 



HOW:
HELP methodology

- ✓ (virtual) face-to-face & online
- ✓ cross-border
- ✓ cross-professional



HELP strategy – with your HELP!

- Mission: protection of **human rights** through enhanced **capacities of justice professionals** (HELP courses)
- **Optimise HELP online courses: + national versions**
- Keep geographical / topical **projects**:
 - **EU***
 - Western Balkans and Turkey*
 - Russia
 - Expanding coverage in **CoE MS** (e.g. EaP) and beyond (i.e. **South Mediterranean***, **Central Asia***)
 - **HELP radicalisation prevention / Fight against Terrorism / ICCM***
 - **HELP component in CoE Action Plans**, i.e. migration
- Increased cooperation with **Universities** - *OCEAN*

* Project financed by the **UE**



HELP e-courses and e-Platform

Optimise existing (38) courses on HR topics –very few new ones:

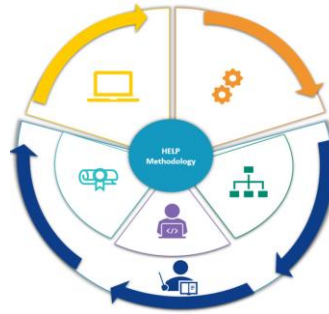
(e.g. HR in armed forces, Interplay ECHR-EUCFR, additional module (VaW), CEPEJ?)

Updates of courses (European Standards: ECHR + CoE Conventions, EU Charter +EU laws & case-law of ECtHR & CJEU)

Further promote/Develop + national versions adding national law & case-law

Support ↗ and use of **self-study** (from 46,000 March 90,000 March 2021)

National Training Institutions, Bar associations encouraged to integrate courses



HELP Methodology

Ensure coherent & flexible application of the HELP methodology (HELP Guidebook), further engagement of HELP trainers, mainstreaming of HELP ToT
HELP to adapt to ↗ demand of self-learning

↔ **Tutored courses:** from presential/ virtual + online

↗ **Training of Trainers:** presential/virtual (or hybrid) + online

National Training Institutions, Bar associations can benefit from +600 HELP trainers, including those with ECtHR experience

Increased cooperation with **Universities – links to OCEAN**

Ensure more **synergies with CoE Projects/Programmes**, continue building strong links and working methods with colleagues

HUMAN RIGHTS EDUCATION FOR LEGAL PROFESSIONALS

Objective: protection of human rights through enhanced capacities of current/future justice professionals (HELP courses)



HELP Network: CoE National Judicial Schools & Bar Councils
+ South Mediterranean
+ Central Asia

HELP to adapt to ↗ demand (both self-study & tutored courses)

↔ Ongoing mutual support

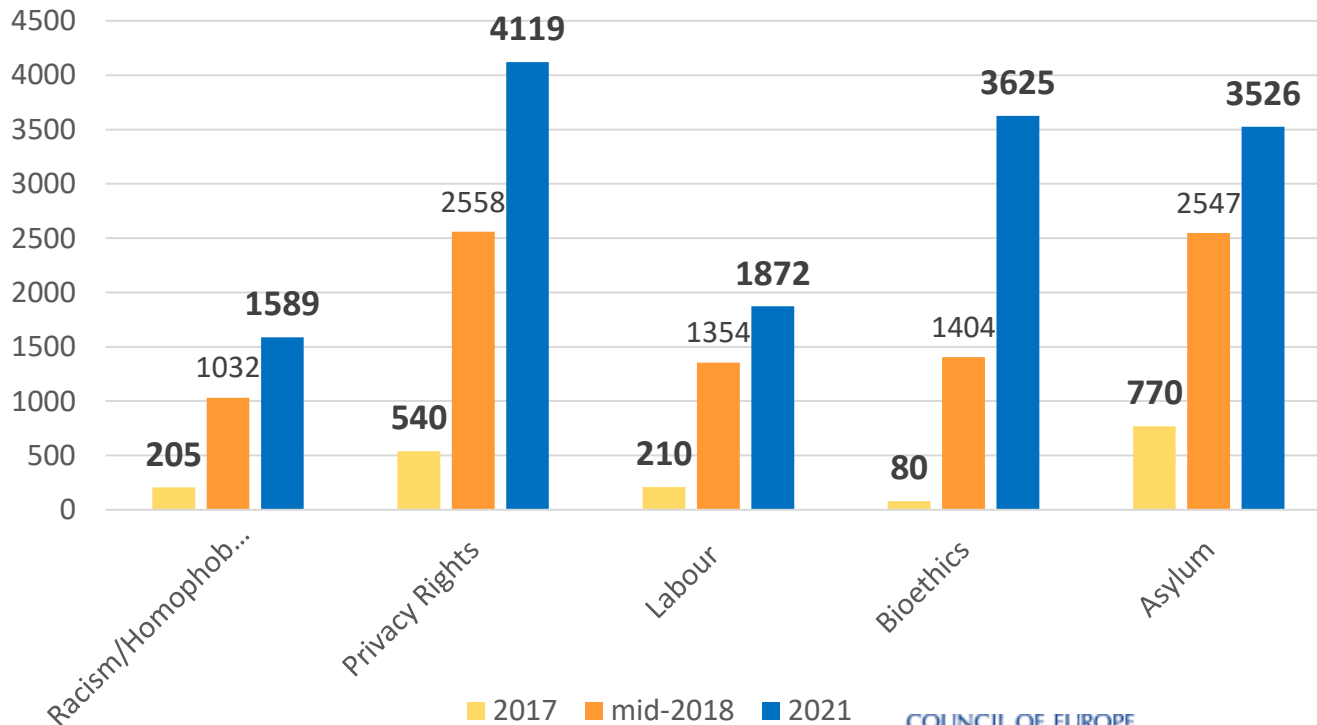
Continue/building synergies with Int'l partners (EJTN, CCBE, FRA, UNHCR)

HELP PROJECTS:

NEW PROJECTS:

- Procedural Rights?
- Effectiveness of ECHR?
- HELP in Universities?
- Support thematic cooperation colleagues

- ✓ Tested high quality
- ✓ Efficiency
- ✓ Proved sustainability



Medium –term
 impact courses
 developed under
 HELP in the EU
 1,5 and 3,5 year
 after project
 conclusion

2017 mid-2018 2021

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