

"HELP in Central Asia" Action

Fostering access to justice in Turkmenistan: the role of a lawyer in International and European law and practice

International Conference

PROGRAMME

Venue: Yyldyz hotel, Ashgabat, Turkmenistan

12 October 2023

9:15 – 9:30 Registration of participants

9:30 – 10:00 **Opening remarks**

Moderator: Ms Krystyna Khokhlova, project co-ordinator, Human Rights Directorate, Council of Europe

Speakers:

Mr Sapa Jumaýew, Deputy Minister of Justice of Turkmenistan

Ms Ýazdursun Gurbannazarova, Human Rights Commissioner of Turkmenistan

Ms Bestyr Eýwanowa, Head of Bar association of Ashgabat

Ms Beata Pęksa, Ambassador, Head of the Delegation of the European Union to Turkmenistan

Ms Eva Pastrana, Head of Justice and Human Rights training Division, Directorate of Human Rights, Council of Europe

10:00 – 11:15 Session I - Association of lawyers: benefits and challenges

Moderator: Mr Sergey Dikman, Head of Unit, Human Rights Directorate, Council of Europe

Speakers:

Ms Maria Ślązak, President of the European Association of Lawyers, Member of the Council of Polish Bar of Attorneys









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Mr Anar Baghirov, Chairman of Azerbaijani Bar association

Mr Ataberdi Annagulyyev, Head of Legal advice office of Berkararlyk district of Ashgabat

Mr Aidyn Bikebayev, Chairman of the National Bar Association of the Republic of Kazakhstan

11:15 – 11:45 Coffee break

11:45 – 13:00 Session I (part 2) - Association of lawyers: benefits and challenges

Moderator: Mr Sergey Dikman, Head of Unit, Human Rights Directorate, Council of Europe

Speakers:

Mr Rupert Wolff, Honorary President of the Austrian Bar association, Former President of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE)

Mr Ersin Soybas, Secretary General of the Ankara Bar Association

Mr Bilim Raiymkulov, Chairman of the Bar association of the Kyrgyz Republic

Mr Alisher Khaydarov, Chairman of the Union of Lawyers of the Republic of Tajikistan

Discussion

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch

14:00 – 15:30 Session II - The role of the Bar association in setting up and enforcing ethical standards

Moderator: Ms Eva Massa, lawyer, Council of Europe consultant

Speakers:

Ms Eli Hristova, Attorney-at-law, member of the Supreme Bar Council of Bulgaria, member of the Bulgarian delegation to CCBE

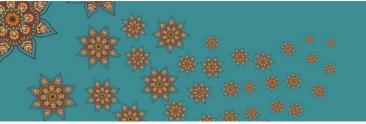
Mr Giovanni Pansini, lawyer, former member of the Training Committee of the National Forensic Council (Italy) and of the CCBE, former HELP info - point

Mr Davron Saidov, Deputy Chairman of the Chamber of lawyers of the Republic of Uzbekistan









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15:30 – 16:00 Coffee break

16:00 – 16:45 Session III - Setting up of the Bar association in Turkmenistan –

moderated discussion

Moderators: Ms Maria Ślązak, President of the European Association of Lawyers, Member of

the Council of Polish Bar of Attorneys

Ms Dzhennet Igdirova, leading consultant of legal aid division, Ministry of Justice of

Turkmenistan

Keynote speaker: Ms Annagul Atajanova, Advocate of Legal advice office of Berkararlyk

district of Ashgabat

17:15 Closing

19:00 Reception

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9:15 – 9:30 **Registration**

9:30 – 11:00 Session IV - Legal education and training for lawyers

Moderator: Ms Krystyna Khokhlova, project co-ordinator, Human Rights Directorate, Council

of Europe

Speakers:

Ms Eva Pastrana, Head of Justice and Human Rights training Division,

Directorate of Human Rights, Council of Europe

Ms Jelena Ristikj, Vice President of the North Macedonia Bar Association,

lawyer, HELP Info point

Ms Eva Massa, lawyer, Council of Europe consultant

Ms Shirindzhemal Redzhepova, Head of Bar association of Ahal welayaty

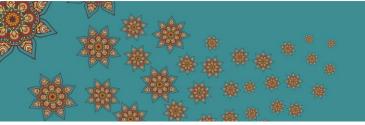
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11:00 – 11:30 Coffee break









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11:30 – 12:30 Discussion - Role of the Bar in access to the profession of lawyers

Moderator : Mr Temur Shakirov, Director of Europe and Central Asia Programme, International Commission of Jurists

Speakers:

Mr Rupert Wolff, Honorary President of the Austrian Bar association, Former President of the Council of Bars and Law Societies of Europe (CCBE)

Ms Maria Ślązak, President of the European Association of Lawyers, Member of the Council of Polish Bar of Attorneys

Discussion

12:30 Closing of the Conference

Mr Sergey Dikman, Head of Unit, Cooperation Programmes Division, Human Rights Directorate, Council of Europe

Mr Merdan Khanov, Head of international legal relations Division, Ministry of Justice of Turkmenistan

13:00 Lunch





