

Project “Labour rights protection at the first workplace” in VET schools

Armenia

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DESCRIPTION

In November 2022, the Solidarity Center, together with 6 trainers from the Confederation of trade unions of Armenia, launched a **new project called “Labor rights protection at the first workplace”**.

The project concluded in May 2023. Throughout this period, **trainings have been conducted among youth in 14 VET colleges**, reaching a total of **379 students**. Students have been informed about **labour rights**, about their **violations and protection** as well as about **trade unions**. These trainings have been conducted with **interactive methods, icebreakers, games, and workshops**.

Most of the trainers were trade unionists involved in educational sectors, colleges and universities, and they could observe that youth are entering to labour market earlier than in previous years and their labour rights are often being violated.

After each seminar, students asked questions to the trainers about labour rights in their workplaces. Additionally, **a platform was created as a Facebook FB page where students could discuss labour rights issues**.

On May 30th 2023, all the students who had participated in the trainings were invited to Yerevan, where an event took place for summing up the project for 2022-2023 year. 150 students participated in the event.