Council of Europe co-operation

gender equality and violence
against women

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Council of Europe added value: the strategic triangle

TECHNICAL CO-OPERATION: THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE’S ADDED VALUE

- Standard setting: Defining the objectives
- Technical co-operation: Bridging the gaps
- Monitoring: Identifying the gaps
How do we do co-operation?

Systematic approach to planning, implementing and monitoring the activities carried out within the project by:

• Identifying concrete needs and challenges of the beneficiary country in co-operation with national authorities.
• Establishing budgetary and human resources requirements.
• Defining measurable and sustainable goals.
• Monitoring progress to ensure ownership and sustainability of results.
What do we do?

Conduct evaluations and assessments to identify the needs in legal, regulatory, policy and institutional frameworks.

Support preparation and implementation of national strategies and action plans.

Support member States to sign, ratify and implement the Istanbul Convention.

Support the execution of judgments of the ECtHR.

Design and deliver training across a variety of sectors (law enforcement, public authorities, civil society, media etc.)

Provide legal, policy and operational advice on institutional structures and tools.
Where do we currently work?

- In the **European Union**: Bulgaria, Lithuania, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenian (Norway Grants).
- In the **Eastern Partnership countries**: Azerbaijan, Armenia, Belarus, Georgia, Republic of Moldova, Ukraine
- Russia
- **Western Balkans**: Kosovo*
- Turkey
Some of the tools available

HELP training on Violence against Women and Domestic Violence and Women’s Access to Justice (online trainings)
Some of the tools available

Research and other guidance materials

Implementing Article 10 of the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence – establishing national co-ordinating bodies

Analytical report of common challenges and lessons learned from bodies set up under different international human rights treaties
Some of the tools available

Conferences, peer to peer exchanges, trainings, study visits, etc.
Latest developments

• The main work so far has been on VAW and DV but also interest in new areas (political participation, gender sensitive education, gender and media).
• Work on visibility and counter-narratives on the Istanbul Convention

Overall objective: Increased alignment with the 6 priority areas of the GE strategy (2018-2023) under the guidance of GEC