

ALINA BARBU



female, Romanian

With 25 years of experience at the Ministry of Justice I was directly involved in drafting legislation on special laws: mental health, trafficking in human beings, organized crime, as well as of the new Criminal Codes and new regulations on probation and penitentiaries. I took part of the NATO and EU accession process and participated in various groups within European Union, Council of Europe and United Nation. Recently, I focused more on fundamental rights. Since 2023, as a psychologist, I've deepened collaboration with civil society, continuing my work with a much more in-depth and closed approach towards victim's protection.

Current professional activity

February 2024-present **psychologist, Alina Barbu, Private Psychology Office**, www.alinabarbu.ro, licensed clinical psychologist under supervision, cognitive behavioral therapy (CBT) paradigm, specialized on evaluation and counselling in anxiety, depression, burnout, crisis intervention, specific phobias, personal development and personality assessment.

legal expert, I collaborate with various non-governmental organizations and also with state agencies on specific programs, especially related to: preventing and combating human trafficking, mental health, monitoring the observance of the fundamental rights of persons with intellectual disabilities, etc.

2022-present collaborator with the NGO - **Center for Legal Resources**, www.crj.ro, as legal expert and psychologist. I regular take part in monitoring missions of residential centers for people with disabilities, drafting afterwards evaluation reports, filling complaints in the name of victims at the prosecutorial offices and different competent state bodies. I was also involved in training activities on human rights for specialists and drafting public policy in the field.

2023-present volunteer, as psychologist, on **Deprehub** helpline, on anti-anxiety, depression, anti-suicide, anti-drug, www.deprehub.ro

Relevant previous professional activity

- 1997–
2022 **Ministry of Justice**, Str.Apolodor nr.17, Sector 5, Bucharest, www.just.ro
Directorate for European Affairs and Human Rights (2020-2022)
Legal adviser (assimilated to magistrates), dealing with European affairs on several EU files on criminal aspects – EPPO (European Prosecutors Office), SLAPP (Strategic Lawsuits against Public Participation initiative), victims’ protection, protection of environment, combating money laundering and terrorism, etc; as well as defending the State along with Romanian Agents in procedures before the European Court of Human Rights and Court of Justice of the European Union; dealing with justice competencies within NATO.
- National Probation Directorate, Ministry of Justice** (2017-2018)
Legal adviser, drafting legislation within the probation field, providing elements for national and international cooperation.
- Directorate of Drafting Legislation**, Legal adviser, head of Public law division – 2005-2013, preparing and observing from the legislative perspective the implementation in Romania of the reform in criminal area. Participation in the specific activities of the Ministry of Justice in the NATO and EU accession process. Improving legislation and elaborating new draft laws in the field of public law, especially for the transposition of the EU acquis, Council of Europe standards and United Nations standards, as well as other relevant international standards in the area such us: new Codes - New Criminal Code, new Criminal Procedure Code, new regulations on probation system, new regulations on the execution of penalties with imprisonment, regulating norms on mental health of population, combating organized crime and cybercrime, preventing and combating terrorism, money laundering, drug trafficking, judicial cooperation, protection of vulnerable persons, particularly witnesses and journalists, promoting integrity in public functions, criminal responsibility for ministries, special legislation on data protection, special norms for classified information, etc.
- 2004 The National Order "**For Merit**" in the rank of **Knight**, for the contribution made to the elaboration of the legislation in criminal matters in Romania, in the context of its adaptation to the principles and values of European justice, Presidential Decree no. 575/8.07.2004, Official Journal of Romania no. 659/22.07.2004.
- 2003–
2005 **Diplomat**, representing Ministry of Justice within the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Romania, **Permanent Representation of Romania to the European Union**, 12 Montoyer Street, B - 1000 Brussels// responsible for justice affaires and for negotiations (and as of December 2004, monitoring) the Romanian accession to the European Union in the justice sector: justice, anticorruption, political criteria – including the protection of human rights, etc.; participating in the transposition process of the EU legislation within the national legislation, coordinating the relations with EUROJUST, OLAF (judicial aspects) and with all the specific departments of the Council, European Parliament, Commission etc.

Relevant additional responsibilities

At the national level

✍ 2023-2024, collaborator with *International Justice Mission*, Romania, contributing to the **2024 Report: Voices for Justice - Strengthening the Proactive Criminal Justice Response to Trafficking in Persons in Romania;**

✍ 2023-2024, participation in various sessions at the National Agency Against Trafficking In Persons while drafting the new *National strategy against trafficking in persons and its action plan;*

✍ 2023 – 2024, member representing the Center for Legal Resources, within the Working Group established to analyse the report of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) at the level of the Prime Minister's Chancellery, for drafting *the Action Plan in the field of mental health*, aiming at fulfilling Romania's convictions at the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR) in this field;

✍ 2023 – present, member within the *monitoring teams by the Center for Legal Resources* of residential centres, hospitals, and psychiatric wards, with reports available at Monitoring Reports and Responses – Center for Legal Resources (crj.ro)

✍ 2022, trainer within the AdaptJust project – *Accessible justice for people with disabilities*, run by the NGO - Legal Resources Center (CRJ) in partnership with the Public Ministry of Romania, made with the financial support of the SEE Grants 2014 – 2021, aiming to facilitate access to justice for people with intellectual disabilities and/or with mental health problems;

✍ **2021-2022, member of the Monitoring Committee of the Romanian National Strategy against Organized Crime 2021-2024;**

✍ 2022, member of the Steering Committee of the project *Consolidation of medical and mental health services in Romanian prisons*, the Council of Europe in partnership with the Ministry of Justice, the National Administration of Penitentiaries, the Ministry of Health

✍ 2021-2022, expert in the project of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD), "*Development of administrative capacity in the field of public governance - a coordinated approach of the center of the Government of Romania*";

✍ 2012-2017 deputy representative of the Ministry of Justice in the National Integrity Council;

✍ 2013-2020 expert-evaluator involved in the implementation and monitoring of several national anti-corruption strategies;

At the level of Council of Europe

✍ 2022 -2023, expert in the (MSI-SLP) Committee of Experts on Strategic Lawsuits against Public Participation, protection of journalists;

✍ **2020 – 2022 CPT liaison officer for Romania (European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment);**

✍ 2018 – Project: “Enhancing the protection of human rights of prisoners in Kosovo*” , Horizontal Facility for Western Balkans and Turkey, Pristina, Kosovo;

✍ from 2015, expert within the Norwegian Financial Mechanism 2009 – 2014, Programme Area 32 – RO 23 - Correctional Services, including Non-custodial Sanctions - “*Supporting Roma Monitoring Committee in Romania*”;

✍ from 2011 member and from 2013 – to 2015, vice-president of *PC-CP – Council of Penological Co-operation*;

✍ from 2014 to 2016, member of the *Drafting committee on prison overcrowding* ;

✍ 2009 *Moneyval evaluator*, evaluating Slovenia - 2009-2010;

✍ from 2008 *expert on drafting legislation for Republic of Moldova*, consultancy offered to the Ministry of Justice regarding techniques of drafting legislation, comparative legislation and harmonising national legislation with Council of Europe standards, Chisinau, Moldova;

✍ from 2001 to 2003 - substitute of the *Romanian representative in GRECO*;

✍ in 2001, 2002 - participation within *Multidisciplinary group on international action against terrorism*;

✍ in 1999, 2000 - participation to seminars on cooperation within criminal justice agencies and protection of vulnerable targets including witnesses- *OCTOPUS II program*.

At the level of European Union

✍ **2022, focal point for Romania for the EU Charter of Fundamental Rights;**

✍ **Romanian Presidency of the Council of the European Union – 2019 – vice-president of DROIPEN (substantial criminal law working group)**

✍ participation in *working groups* on various areas of interest related to public law: 2008-2022;

✍ participation to the specific activities required for the *Romanian accession to the EU*, especially to the screening process and harmonizing the national legislation with the *acquis*: 1998-2003.

At the UN level

✍ presentation: Investigation of Financing of Terrorism. National framework. Challenges for the implementation on the “Sub-regional workshop on preventing and countering the financing of terrorism” organised by UNODC and OSCE, Chişinău, Moldova, September 27-28, 2011;

✍ representing Ministry of Justice within *UPR – Universal Periodic Review Group of United Nations* while adopting its Report on Romania, UN - Geneva, 2008 ;






✍ **participation to the Preparatory Committee on the establishment of the *International Criminal Court (ICC)*, UN Headquarter New York – sessions in 1997, 1998;**

✍ **participation to the Ad-hoc Committee on the elaboration of the *Convention against transnational organized crime (UNCTOC)*, UN Headquarter Vienna – sessions in 1998,1999.**

Education and training

- 2023-present **Faculty of Psychology and Educational Sciences**, University of Bucharest, Master's in Cognitive-Behavioral Therapies, Master's Student
- 2023-present Continuous training, **Individual and Group Cognitive-Behavioral Psychotherapy Program and Personal Development Services**, Association of Cognitive-Behavioral Therapies and Rehabilitation Programs, ATCCPR, <https://asociatiatccpr.com>
- 2022 **Trainer**, cod COR 242401, Ministry of Labor and Social Protection and Ministry of Education, diploma - designing, developing, evaluating and reviewing theoretical/practical activities and/or training programs and professional skills development, carried out in specialized institutions or at the workplace
- 2020 – 2023 Babeş-Bolyai University, Cluj-Napoca, Romania, **Department of Psychology, bachelor's degree**
- 2002 **JICA** (Japan International Co-operation Agency) and **UNAFEI** (United Nation Asia and Far East Institute for the Prevention of Crime and the Treatment of Offenders), Tokyo, Japan
- 2001 **Sussex European Institute**- Brighton- UK, Contemporary European Studies
- 1997-1998 University of Bucharest, **Faculty of Law**, Criminal procedure law and forensics, special course
- 1993-1997 University of Bucharest, **Faculty of Law**, Romanian Bachelor Degree in Law: Constitutional Law; Civil Law and Civil Procedure Law; Criminal Law and Criminal Procedure Law

Books published in Romanian:

-  Law no. 253/2013 regarding the execution of sentences, educational measures, and other non-custodial measures ordered by judicial authorities during the criminal proceedings. Comments and case law, A. Barbu, R. F. Geamănu, authors and coordinators, Andrei Viorel Iugan, Elena Adriana Filimon, Dragoş Dediu, authors, Universul Juridic Publishing House, Bucharest, 2023;
-  "Law no.254/2013 regarding the execution of penalties and the measures with deprivation of liberty disposed by judicial bodies during the criminal trial. Comments and jurisprudence", A.Barbu, R.Geamănu, Universul juridic Publishing House, 2021;
-  "Criminal Procedure Code – with national and European jurisprudence", A.Barbu, G.Tudor, A.Şinc, Hamangiu Publishing House, 2016;
-  "New Criminal Code – commented in relation with the former Criminal Code", A.Vlasceanu, A.Barbu, Hamangiu Publishing House, 2014;
-  "Criminal Procedure Code - texts, jurisprudence, European Human Rights Court's decisions", G.Antoniou (coordinator), A.Vlasceanu, A.Barbu, Hamangiu Publishing House, 2008, Revised and updated;

✍️”Commented Criminal Procedure Code”, art.62-135, Evidences and means of evidence, N.Volonciu (coordinator), A.Barbu, Publishing house Hamangiu, 2007;

✍️”Criminal Procedure Code - texts, jurisprudence”, European Human Rights Court’s decisions, G.Antoniou (coordinator), A.Vlasceanu, A.Barbu, Hamangiu Publishing House, 2006

Studies published in English:

✍️”European Treatment, Transition Management, and Re-Integration of High Risk Offenders”. Results of the Final Conference at Rostock, Warnemünde, 3-5 September 2014, and Final Evaluation Report of the Justice Cooperation Network (JCN) Project “European treatment and transition management of high-risk offenders”, Mönchengladbach, 2016, Forum Verlag Godesberg, March 2016;

✍️”Report on Fighting Corruption in Romania”, (2003) 74(1-2) International Review of Penal Law, p.535-542; individual report; XVII th International Congress of Penal Law, Preparatory Colloquium, Section II, Corruption and Related Offences in International Economic Activities, November 11-12, 2002, Tokyo (Japan);

✍️ “The criminal justice system of Romania” – HEUNI- European Institute for crime prevention and control affiliated with the United Nation – A.Vlasceanu, A.Dorobant, 2002, <http://www.heuni.fi/12543.htm>.

Computer skills

ECDL Core – Complete certificate:

Basic concepts of IT. Using the computer and managing files; Word processing - Word; Spreadsheets – Excel; Database – Access; Presentation – PowerPoint; Information and Communication – Internet Explorer, Opera, Mozilla FireFox, Outlook Express

Language skills

Mother tongue(s) Romanian

Other language(s)	Understanding		Speaking		Writing
	Listening	Reading	Spoken interaction	Spoken production	
English	C2	C2	C2	C2	C2
French	C2	C2	C2	C1	B2