Council of Europe Office in Rabat



KEY FIGURES

10 STAFF MEMBERS 4 Core staff

6 Project staff

1 COUNTRY-SPECIFIC EU/COUNCIL OF EUROPE JOINT PROGRAMME

Some projects/activities funded through voluntary contributions.

1 REGIONAL PROGRAMME

Since 2011, Morocco's ties with the Council of Europe were enhanced with the adoption of the Organisation's policy towards neighbouring regions by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe.

In the framework of the <u>Neighbourhood Partnership with Morocco 2022-2025</u> (fourth of its kind), the Council of Europe continues to support Morocco for democratic reforms and to address challenges related to human rights, rule of law and democracy. The partnership builds on the previous achievements and provides a framework for consolidated political dialogue and technical co-operation with Morocco.

The current priorities of co-operation cover areas, such as justice reform, fight against trafficking in human beings, violence against women, sexual abuse on children as well as human rights training for legal professionals.

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Prevention of torture improved

Clarification of the Rights and Obligations of detainees. Development of the Detainee Guide in Morocco.

More efficient fight against trafficking in human beings

Development of key practical tools to assist fieldwork professionals in detecting, identifying and assisting victims of human trafficking (guide of indicators to detect and identify victims, glossary of terms related to trafficking, compendium of national caselaw, guide to interview victims, etc).

AT A GLANCE

NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP BUDGET 2 550 000 Euros

KEY ACHIEVEMENTS

Strengthened capacity of the Moroccan Parliament to fulfil its constitutional mandate

Improved methodology of the Moroccan Parliament to evaluate public policies. Exchange of good practices with European countries on the evaluation of public policies. MPs and staff members of the Parliament better understand strengths and challenges of engaging with citizens. Better tools for the Parliament to improve communication with citizens. MPs participate in exchanges at the international level, including with the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, to enhance Parliamentary diplomacy.

Combatting violence against children

An analysis of existing legal texts has provided solid basis for proposing concrete recommendations for revision of laws, in particular the Criminal code or the Code on the rights of the child, with a view to ratification of the Lanzarote Convention.

HIGHLIGHTS

350 future judges have been trained since 2019 through the HELP platform in courses to combat violence against children, women, and human trafficking.

500 judges and prosecutors have been trained in applicable international standards, including the Council of Europe Convention on preventing and combating violence against women and domestic violence (Istanbul Convention).

150 reports of images and videos of child sexual abuse on the internet through the IWF portal have been analysed and criminal proceedings initiated against the criminals.

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