

# IMPROVED PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS IN JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS IN MONTENEGRO

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## MAIN OBJECTIVES

- To support Montenegrin authorities to further align **procedural rights of victims, accused and suspected persons** with the EU acquis and the European Court of Human Rights' standards
  - To facilitate **access to free legal aid system**
  - To enhance **human rights education through establishment of legal clinics at the faculties of law**
  - To strengthen **legal certainty** through consistent application of EU acquis, the European Court of Human Rights' case law and reinforced judicial dialogue in the field of human rights
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## EXPECTED OUTPUTS AND RESULTS

1. Procedural rights of victims, accused and suspected persons are harmonised with the European Union legal framework and the case law of the European Court of Human Rights
  2. Improved access to free legal services for vulnerable and marginalised groups
  3. Enhanced human rights dimension in the educational cycle of Law Faculties
  4. Improved legal certainty for citizens through consistent application of legislation and reinforced inter-judicial dialogue in the field of human rights
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## KEY ACTIVITIES

- Development of **recommendations for legislative and policy changes** and support in their implementation
  - Development of **recommendations for enhancement of the access to justice**, particularly for marginalised and vulnerable groups
  - Establishment of **pilot legal clinics at the Montenegrin Law Faculties**
  - Regular **inter-judicial meetings and exchanges of experiences and practices** between legal practitioners
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## PARTNERS AND BENEFICIARIES

The Constitutional Court, Supreme Court, Prosecution Offices, Ministry of justice, Ministry of Labour and Social Welfare, Minister for Human and Minority Rights, Judicial Training Centre, State Agent before the European Court of Human Rights, Police Directorate, Law Faculties, Bar Association, Free Legal Aid offices and Human Rights specialised NGOs.