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**Human Rights Education
for Legal Professionals** ■

Project “HELP (**H**uman Rights **E**ducation for **L**egal **P**rofessionals) for UKRAINE
including during wartime”

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Project main goal: Enhancing the capacities of **current/future legal professionals in Ukraine** (judges, prosecutors, lawyers, other court staff and law students) in order to **apply the European (CoE + EU) human rights standards efficiently** including during **wartime**.

Expected impact: Ukrainians benefit from better **human rights protection and remedies** against HR violations during wartime.

Duration: 2023-2024

The total budget of the Project amounts to EUR 726000.

Follow up of a 2022 Project “Supporting contextualization of HELP modules/courses for legal professionals in times of war in Ukraine”



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Project developed /implemented under the Council of Europe Action Plan for Ukraine “Resilience, Recovery and Reconstruction” 2023-2026

Approved by the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe in Dec 2022

- strengthen the **professional capacity of lawyers**, quality of **legal education**, and support the development of the **Ukrainian National Bar Association**, other legal associations and civil society organisations, and the system of **free legal aid**
- use of the methodology and implementation/integration of all relevant **HELP courses on professional training in Ukraine**
- support the inclusion of HELP courses or its adaptation in the area of national and international human rights mechanisms (focus on European ones) **for students of the law faculties/universities**



Project`s objectives

- The Project supports relevant **justice training institutions** and the Ukrainian **National Bar association**, as well as **Law faculties/universities** to strengthen their institutional capacities to improve the qualification of current and future legal professionals on the standards and practices of the Council of Europe.
- In the challenging situation of the Russian aggression against Ukraine, legal professionals (primarily judges, prosecutors, investigators and lawyers) should have the necessary **knowledge and skills to apply the European and international human rights standards to protect human rights** and access the information needed for informed decision-making.
- Moreover, **law students** need constant improvement in their knowledge of European human rights standards (**including in times of war**), as this category will soon become practicing legal professionals.

Project`s partners

- National School of Judges of Ukraine
- Prosecutor's Training Center of Ukraine
- Coordination Center for Legal Aid Provision of the Ministry of Justice of Ukraine
- Ministry of Education and Science of Ukraine
- Law Faculties of Educational Institutions of Ukraine
- Graduate School of Public Administration
- Ukrainian National Bar Association and others



HELP in Ukraine



2 new online courses +
1 updated
34 available UKR



13750 users from
UKR/157 550 users in
total



Tutoring courses
1400 participants
86% success rate



- Integration of the HELP course into the curricula of several national institutions
- Recognition of HELP certificates by the Ukrainian Bar Association
- HELP in Ukrainian universities

HELP's actions to overcome the consequences of the war in Ukraine



Asylum/Migration HELP eDesk

National HELP eDesks:

Belgium |

Bulgaria | Cyprus | Czechia | France | Germany | Greece

| Hungary | Ireland | Italy

| Moldova | Poland | Romania | Slovakia | Spain | Ukraine

- Creation of an asylum and migration portal in 15 European countries to help legal professionals advising people fleeing the war in Ukraine
- As of March 1, 2022, 2500 users
- in coordination with the Council of Europe SRSG, UNHCR, CCBE

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HELP Project in Ukraine

New module "Ill-treatment during armed conflict"

A New course on IHL and HR

Short course "Temporary protection in the EU"

A Short Course on the Deportation of Children



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- Legal framework
- Situations where there is a risk of ill-treatment
- Gendered impacts of conflict
- Accountability at the national level
- Summary
- Knowledge check



Temporary Protection in the European Union

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Module 1: Introduction to International Humanitarian Law

International Humanitarian Law and Human Rights

START MODULE

⌚ Duration: 45 min



Joint seminar of the Council of Europe project "HELP for Ukraine, including in times of war" and the EU for European lawyers, dedicated to the implementation of the EU Directive on temporary protection of persons fleeing the war in Ukraine

April 11, 2024 in Brussels, in cooperation with the Association of French- and German-speaking Lawyers of Belgium

Purpose: to present and discuss the implementation of the EU Temporary Protection Directive to protect Ukrainians who were forced to leave their homes due to the war, to present a new free online course HELP on temporary protection in the European Union, which aims to increase the level of knowledge of lawyers and other interested parties on issues related to temporary protection in the European Union.

Results: 100 lawyers and attorneys specializing in migration law and protecting the rights of Ukrainians with temporary protection status in EU countries took part in the seminar in a mixed format. HELP online course on temporary protection in the European Union has been launched for 30 European lawyers





Key speakers of the conference:

Stanislav Kravchenko, Head of the Supreme Court

Christos Giakoumopoulos, Director-General, Directorate for Human Rights and the Rule of Law (DGI), Council of Europe
(online)

Maciej Janczak, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Ukraine

Mykola Gnatovskyi, Judge of the European Court of Human Rights

Jürg Eglin, Head of the International Committee of the Red Cross in Ukraine

Nobuo Hayashi, co-author of the course, expert of the Council of Europe

Natalia Hendel, co-author of the course, expert of the Council of Europe

Oleksandra Matviychuk, head of the Center for Civil Liberties

Accreditation of HELP courses by the Bar Council of Ukraine

- Bar Council of Ukraine officially accredits all CoE HELP online courses available in Ukrainian for lawyers working within the free legal aid system
- From now on, the certificates of completion of the Council of Europe online courses on the HELP E-learning Platform will enable lawyers working with the free legal aid system to receive 2 credit points for completing of each HELP course.
- The relevant amendments to the Procedure were proposed during a meeting of the Bar Council of Ukraine by Valentyn Hvozdiy, Vice President of the Ukrainian National Bar Association and the Bar Council of Ukraine.



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Cooperation with Ukrainian universities and law schools

- Training future Ukrainian lawyers and acquiring skills to perform new tasks during the war is a top priority of the new Council of Europe project "HELP (Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals) for Ukraine, including in wartime"
- The project received political support from the Ministry of Education and Science: the introduction of HELP courses was widely encouraged by the Ministry as a form of non-formal education in the curricula of higher education institutions that train future lawyers
- The project developed the Strategy for the implementation of HELP Courses in the Educational Process of Ukrainian Higher Education institutions and presented it to over 350 university representatives (18 June 2024)



Memoranda of Cooperation

Memoranda of cooperation with five Ukrainian universities were signed in 2023 by the Council of Europe Office in Ukraine within the framework of the project "HELP (Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals) for Ukraine, including during the war".

These universities include:

- Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv,
- Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs,
- National Aviation University
- Lviv University of Trade and Economics
- Mykhailo Drahomanov National University.



Numerous meetings were held with project partners and universities in order to promote HELP courses:

Kharkiv National University of Internal Affairs

National Aviation University

Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv

National University of Kyiv-Mohyla Academy

Lviv University of Trade and Economics

National Academy of Internal Affairs (NAIA)

Chernivtsi National University



Training of certified tutors of the HELP Program for university teachers

- Three ToTs were held for university teachers
- Participants underwent a two-day training on the HELP methodology and completed homework
- 40 teachers received certificates of tutors of the HELP Program

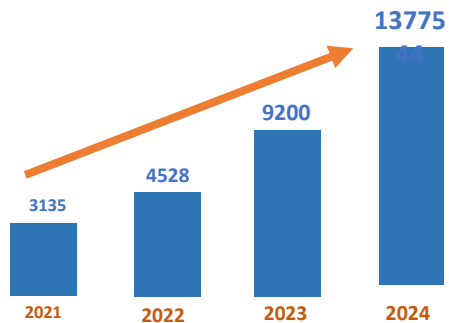


The success of HELP courses in Ukraine

- The number of HELP platform users from Ukraine increased from 6472 in December 2022 to 13750 in July 2024
- Ukraine is in on the 2nd place in terms of N. users after Turkey
- 782 participants from Ukraine completed tutoring courses and received certificates
- 49 tutoring courses have been launched in Ukraine (most often courses on internal displacement, bioethics, anti-discrimination and hate crimes and hate speech)

TOP-10 courses in Ukrainian (by the number of enrolled participants) in 2024

1. Accession to the ECHR and the ECHR
2. Eligibility Criteria
3. Labor and human rights
4. Ethics of Judges, Prosecutors and Lawyers
5. Fundamentals of Transitional Justice
6. Introduction to the European Social Charter
7. Internal displacement
8. International Cooperation in Criminal Matters
9. Children's rights are the main challenges
10. Human rights in the armed forces





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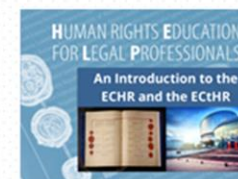
- Development of a new course on the deportation of children, for the implementation of paragraph 4 of the PACE recommendation "Deportation and forced transfer of Ukrainian children and other civilians to the Russian Federation or to the temporarily occupied territories of Ukraine: to create conditions for their safe return, stop these crimes and punish the perpetrators".
- Organisation of at least two sessions of trainings for HELP trainers (ToT) to support Ukrainian educational institutions that train future lawyers;
- Organisation of a study visit to the Council of Europe for the partners of the project;
- Conducting additional legal adaptations of HELP courses at the request of the National School of Judges and the Training Center for Prosecutors.
- Organisation of Project Steering Committee Meetings

HELP courses available in Ukrainian:

1. [Admissibility Criteria](#)
2. [Anti-discrimination](#)
3. [Asylum and Human Rights](#)
4. [Bioethics](#)
5. [Child-friendly Justice](#)
6. [Children's Rights – Key Challenges](#)
7. [Combatting Trafficking in Human Beings](#)
8. [CPT Standards](#)
9. [Cybercrime and Electronic Evidence](#)
10. [Ethics for Judges, Prosecutors and Lawyers](#)
11. [Family Law and Human Rights](#)
12. [Hate Crime](#)
13. [Hate Speech](#)
14. [Human Rights in the Armed Forces](#)
15. [Internal Displacement](#)
16. [International cooperation in criminal matters](#)
17. [Introduction to the ECHR and the ECtHR](#)
18. [Labour Rights as Human Rights](#)
19. [Pre-trial Investigation and the ECHR](#)
20. [Procedural Guarantees in Criminal Proceedings and Victims Rights](#)
21. [Prohibition of Ill-treatment](#)
22. [Violence against Women and Domestic Violence for Law Enforcement](#)
23. [Property Rights](#)
24. [Refugee and Migrant Children](#)
25. [Right to Liberty and Security](#)
26. [Transitional Justice and Human Rights](#)
27. [Violence against Women and Domestic Violence](#)
28. [Access to Justice for Women](#)
29. [Judicial Reasoning and Human Rights](#)
30. [Fight Against Racism, Xenophobia, Homophobia and Transphobia](#)
31. [Managing Foreign National Prisoners](#)
32. [Introduction to the European Social Charter](#)
33. [Radicalisation Prevention](#)
34. [Temporary Protection in the European Union](#)



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The screenshot shows the Facebook profile for the European Programme for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals. The cover photo features the text "HELP in the 28" and logos for the European Union and the Council of Europe. The profile name is "European Programme for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals" with the handle "@CoEHELP". The page is categorized as a "Political Organization" in "Strasbourg, France" with a 5.0 star rating. It has 397 likes and 12 posts from this week. A recent post from July 7 at 7:30pm is titled "European Programme for Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals" and includes a link to a free e-course. The post text says: "Want to know more on #LabourRights? These are also #humanRights. Take this free EU/CoE #HELP28 e-course at <http://help.ppa.coe.int/course/view.php?id=612> once you are logged in in your HELP account. If you do not have an account yet, open it at <http://help.ppa.coe.int/login>. The 'HELP in the 28' course on 'Labour Rights' covers in an interactive way the key concepts, the European system of protection of labour rights (stemming from the CoE and EU) and the case law o... See More". Below the post is a photo of a construction worker with the caption "Labour Rights as".

The screenshot shows the Facebook profile for the Council of Europe Office in Ukraine - Kyiv. The cover photo is a large image of the European Union flag. The profile name is "Офіс Ради Європи в Україні - Київ" with the handle "@coe.office.in.ukraine" and 4.6 reviews. It is categorized as a "Nonprofit organization". The page has 5,967 likes and 6,895 people follow this. The "About" section includes a map of Kyiv, Ukraine (04070) and lists the following information:

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 The "About" section also includes a link to the website <http://www.coe.int/en/web/kyiv> and a phone number +380 44 425 6001. A large blue banner at the bottom of the page reads "Права людини" (Human Rights) and "ОСВІТА В ГАЛУЗІ ПРАВ ЛЮДИНИ ДЛЯ ЮРИСТІВ (HELP)" (Education in the field of Human Rights for Lawyers (HELP)). Below this banner, it says "Критерії прийнятності заяв, поданих до Європейського суду з прав людини" (Admissibility criteria of applications to the European Court of Human Rights).

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