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## Launching event of the HELP course on child-friendly justice

Joint EU-Council of Europe project

**"Strengthening child-friendly justice among Barnahus-type services in Spanish regions (Phase II)"**

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## Information

The joint project of the European Union and the Council of Europe “**Strengthening child-friendly justice among different Barnahus-type services in the regions of Spain (Phase II)**” is being implemented in Spain in close collaboration with the Ministry of Youth and Childhood and the Ministry of the Presidency, Justice and Relations with Parliaments during the period 01/11/2024 - 30/04/2027. The project is co-financed by the European Union through the Technical Support Instrument (TSI), and co-financed and implemented by the Council of Europe, in cooperation with the European Commission, Task Force on Reforms and Investments (SG REFORM).

The main objective of this project, which began in 2022 with the [Phase I](#), is to promote throughout the territory a model of comprehensive, friendly and specialized care for **children who are victims of sexual violence**. Phase II will continue with the process of implementing the Barnahus model at national and regional level, taking into account the recommendations derived from the strategic documents prepared in Phase I (in particular, the [national](#) and [autonomous](#) "Roadmaps" for the implementation of Barnahus in Spain» and the «[Communication Guide](#)»). It also aims to increase the collaboration of legal operators and other existing services that care for children who are victims of sexual violence.

The project is divided into two main components:

1. Executing the national and regional roadmaps to implement Barnahus in Spain and its Autonomous Communities and Cities.
2. Strengthening the capacities of professionals who work for and with children in Barnahus-type services.

In relation to Output 6.3 of the project, the organization of training sessions for professionals is planned. The new version of the [HELP course on “Child-friendly justice” \(2023\)](#). It has been translated and adapted to the Spanish context for different professionals working for and with children, in particular for the judiciary, the prosecution service and the legal profession. This course was officially launched during Phase I, in July 2024, with the Judicial School of Spain and a tutored session for around 30 participants is being relaunched with the General Prosecutor’s Office.

## Agenda

9.30-9.45	<p><b>Welcoming remarks</b>  <i>Ana Isabel García León</i>, Chief Prosecutor of the Technical Secretariat, General Prosecutor's Office  <i>Arancha Indurria Jiménez</i>, Deputy Director General of Territorial Cooperation and Coordination, Ministry of the Presidency, Justice and Relations with Parliament  <i>Itziar Abad Andújar</i>, Deputy Director of Programmes, Ministry of Youth and Childhood  <i>Mireya García de Murcia</i> and <i>María Asensio Velasco</i>, Representatives of the Council of Europe Children's Rights Division</p>
9.45-10.15	<p><b>Introduction to the EU-CoE project "Barnahus in Spain"</b>  <b>International Standards for the Protection of Child Victims of Sexual Violence: Case Study</b>  <i>María Asensio Velasco</i> and <i>Mireya García de Murcia</i>, Representatives of the Council of Europe Children's Rights Division  <i>Questions and answers</i></p>
10.15-11.15	<p><b>Child-friendly justice for child victims of sexual violence. The implementation of Barnahus in Catalonia</b>  <i>María del Pilar Aranda Lara</i>, Coordinator of the Barnahus Strategy, General Directorate of Child and Adolescent Care  <i>María José Osuna Cerezo</i>, Chief Prosecutor of Tarragona  <i>Questions and Answers</i></p>
11.15-11.45	<p><b>Group photo and coffee break</b></p>
11.45-12.30	<p><b>HELP course: presentation and operation of the platform</b>  <b>Group tutor session (<i>Jorge Jiménez Martín</i>)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Presentation of the participants.</i></li> <li>• <i>Presentation of the tutor and their role, learning objectives, assessment criteria, practical aspects and discussion.</i></li> <li>• <i>Questions and answers.</i></li> </ul>