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#### HELP in the Western Balkans over the years

HELP selected thematic areas for: Albania,
 Bosnia and Hercegovina, Montenegro,
 Serbia, North Macedonia and Türkiye

2016-2017

HELP in the Western Balkans – Phase II

2018-2019

EU/CoE Joint programme Horizontal Facility II HELP in the Western Balkans action

2019-2022

HELP in the Western Balkans

2023-2024













### HELP in the Western Balkans main partners

Albania





Montenegro





#### Bosnia and Herzegovina







#### North Macedonia





Kosovo\*





Serbia









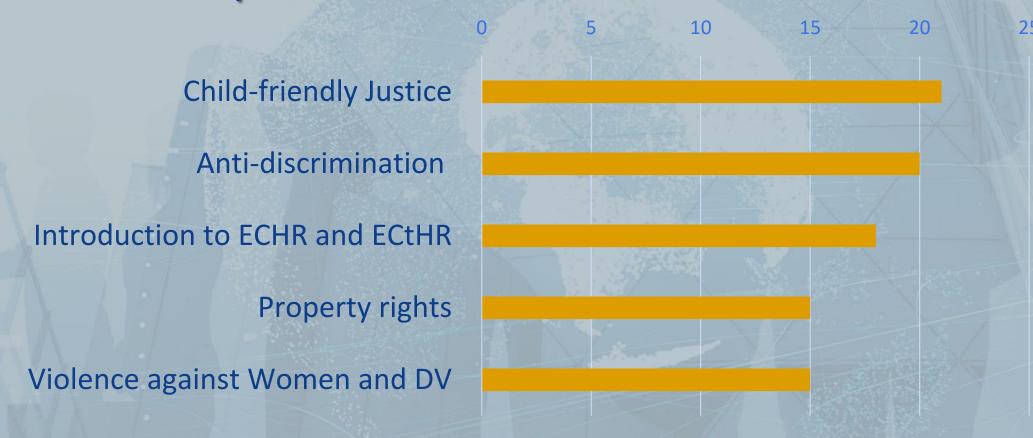
#### **HELP** in the Western Balkans in numbers

Tutored courses	220
Enrolled users	7442
Platform users	7700
Average success rate	74%
National versions	126





### Most implemented courses





### Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals



#### HELP in the Western Balkans

#### **HELP** in the Western Balkans priority topics

### **EU Enlargement priorities – Fundamental** rights

- Anti discrimination
- Gender-based violence
- Prevention of ill-treatment
- Freedom of expression
- Hate speech
- Child-friendly justice
- Alternatives to detention



#### CoE/ECtHR – most frequent violations/Articles of ECHR

- Prohibition of Ill-treatment
- Right to liberty and security
- Right to a fair trial
- Right to respect for private and family life
- Protection of property







#### Best practices from the Western Balkans

- Direct implementation of HELP courses
- Synergies and cooperation with other HF actions and CoE projects
- Coordination with other international & European organisations and training providers
- Beneficiaries' ownership
- Interplay between EU and CoE legal systems
- Multi-professional approach
- Systematic inclusion of courses in annual programme (compulsory for initial training)





# HELP Good training for good judgements

Thank you very much for your attention!

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