

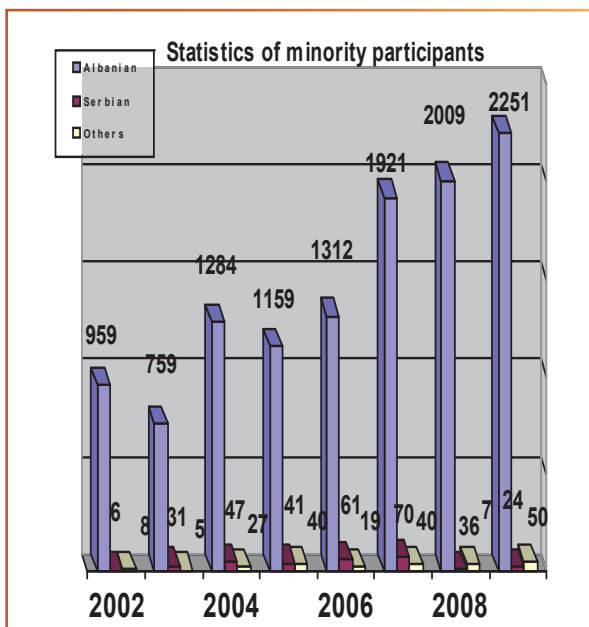


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AN INDEPENDENT PROFESSIONAL BODY AND THE
INSTITUTION FOR TRAINING ALL JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS
WITHIN THE JUDICIAL SYSTEM IN KOSOVO

INTRODUCTION

Within the mandate for institution building the OSCE Mission in Kosovo has assisted Kosovo in the development of the judicial system based upon the principles of human rights and rule of law. The OSCE Mission in Kosovo under the Department of Human Rights and Rule of Law established a sector for judicial training, which later became, in February 2000, the Kosovo Judicial Institute.

On 24 April 2006 the Special Representative of the Secretary General promulgated the Law on Establishing KJI adopted by the Kosovo Assembly in February of 2006. The Law establishes KJI as an independent professional body and the judicial training institution within the judicial system of Kosovo that shall perform its functions based on principles of legality, impartiality and efficiency.

The headquarters of KJI is in Prishtina. KJI's mandate is to train office holders and potential office holders in the judiciary (judges and prosecutors) which includes capacity building of these potential office holders. KJI promotes the level of training based on the needs of the judiciary.

Kosovo Judicial Institute (KJI), within its activities may enter into working agreements, cooperation and scientific and professional activity with other local and international organizations. Thus, in order to achieve all these objectives, KJI needs to continue to have coordination and cooperation with all stake holders involved in the judicial system.

VISION AND MISSION STATEMENT OF KJI

KJI's mission in Kosovo is to create a state of the art training facility for judges and prosecutors. To use the most advanced teaching techniques so as to provide the highest education to all judges and prosecutors in Kosovo. This means KJI will train every judge and prosecutor in Kosovo. KJI mission is also to create the most advanced magistrate school. Further, KJI's mandate is to be:

- A leader in the development of training programs for the Kosovo judiciary and prosecutors
- Flexible,
- Functional and objective,
- Transparent and honest,
- Respectful of deadlines,
- A partner and cooperate with institutions and international organizations,
- Ready to perform it's duties with highest level of responsibility,
- Pay particular attention to the applicability of the advanced methods of the training and in line with modern standards,
- Ready to continuously improve the training conditions for the participants,
- Efficient in the way the resources are used.

FUNCTION AND ACTIVITIES OF THE KJI

In accordance with the law, Kosovo Judicial Institute will be responsible for following:

I. Preparatory Exam KJI is responsible for the assessment and organisation of the preparatory exam for the persons who intend to become judges or prosecutors, who prior to their nomination shall be subjected to the preparatory exam and special training courses as a precondition for the selection.

II. Training of the potential office holders in judiciary – Initial Legal Education Program This training program is dedicated to potential candidates who intend to become judges or prosecutors in the future who after the Preparatory Exam shall undergo the this training program.

III. Training of the office holders in judiciary – Continuous Legal Education Program This training program is dedicated to acting judges and prosecutors.

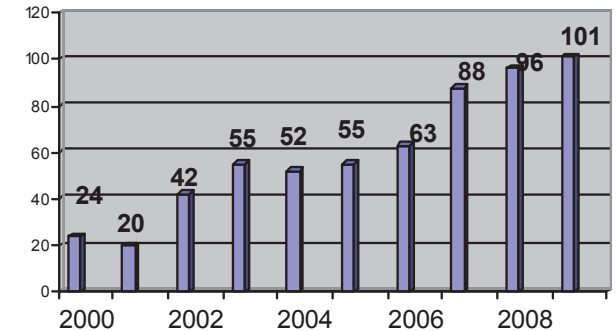
IV. Training courses for promotion of judges and prosecutors This program is dedicated to judges and prosecutors who have been selected for promotion.

V. Training course for lay-judges This training program provides for the lay-judges basic training courses.

VI. Training courses for other professional in the area of judiciary as identified by KJI This program will include other professionals who are considered to be closely related and assist efficient functioning of judicial system.

PROGRAMS IMPLEMENTED BY KJI

Continuous Legal Education Program (CLEP) is dedicated to the practice of judges and prosecutors. The objective of this program is to develop a long-term training plan which will help develop the professional knowledge and reputation of judges, prosecutors and other office holders involved in the judicial system. The other purpose of this program is to build the capacity of the re-



spective office holders so as to insure a uniform application of the law.

From January 2000 until October 2009 KJI has conducted 617 training sessions:

- During 2000 KJI conducted 24 training sessions,
- During 2001 KJI conducted 20 training sessions,
- During 2002 KJI conducted 42 training sessions,
- During 2003 KJI conducted 55 training sessions,
- During 2004 KJI conducted 52 training sessions,
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- During 2006 KJI conducted 63 training sessions,
- During 2007 KJI conducted 88 training sessions,
- During 2008 KJI conducted 96 training sessions.
- During 2009 KJI conducted 101 training sessions

Initial Legal Education Program (CLEP) is dedicated to the candidates for judges and prosecutors. The main objective of this program is to professionally prepare future judges and prosecutors prior of their appointment in the respective function. This training curriculum will be implemented in three phases in duration of 15 months. ILEP for the first time commenced in September of 2008, the first generation was consisted of 30 candidates. The second generation of ILEP started the training in September 2009.