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General activities

Cooperation Agreement Signed between the Academy of Justice and the Agency for Information and Privacy

On May 10, 2022, the Academy of Justice and the Information and Privacy Agency signed the Cooperation Agreement.



The Cooperation Agreement, signed by the Executive Director of AJ, Mr. Enver

Fejzullahu and the Commissioner for Information and Privacy, Mrs. Krenare Sogojeva-Dermaku, aims to coordinate activities of the two institutions in the field of advancing issues of mutual interest, with special emphasis on the affirmation of personal data protection and access to public documents.

On this occasion, Mr. Fejzullahu and Mrs. Sogojeva-Dermaku pledged that both parties will jointly coordinate activities of common interest, which will be implemented in mutual understanding and in accordance with the regulations and policies of both respective institutions.



International Training Program for contemporary issues in the field of human rights

On May 23-26, 2022 in Antalya, Turkey, the Academy of Justice participated in the "International Training Program for contemporary issues in the field of human rights". In this activity organized by the Justice Academy of Turkey and the Turkish Agency



for Cooperation and Coordination (TIKA), nine countries from the Western Balkans participated and not only. The participating states were: Kosovo, Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina and Republika Srpska, Bulgaria, North Macedonia, Serbia, Romania and Turkey. Kosovo was represented by three judges of the eighth generation in the initial training program Ms. Verona Dibra, Mr. Arnis Dumani and Mr. Gent Bekeri as well as the Executive Director of the Academy of Justice Mr. Enver

Fejzullahu, and Mrs. Valmira Pefqeli, Head of Initial Training Program.

In this training program, the latest developments in the field of human rights and the jurisprudence of the ECtHR were addressed and analyzed. According to the program, on the last day of the activity, the representative teams of the judicial schools participated in the competition on the jurisprudence of the ECtHR. From the presentations made by the participating teams, the Magisterial School of North Macedonia was declared the winner and for the individual presentation, Mrs. Olta Cenaj from the School of Magistrates of Albania.

At the end of the program, the President of the Academy of Justice of Turkey, Mr. Muhittin Özdemir and the head of the department for foreign relations Mr. Hasan Kadir Yilmaztekin held a meeting with the Director of the Academy of Justice. During the meeting was discussed the possibility of signing a bilateral cooperation memorandum, with the aim of coordinating joint activities that contribute to capacity building and the exchange of experiences between the two countries.



Signing of the Memorandum of Cooperation between the Academy of Justice and Non-Governmental Organizations

On 31 May 2022, the Academy of Justice with the support of the EU Project EUKOJUST signed a Memorandum of Cooperation with Non



-Governmental Organizations such as BIRN and

Internews Kosovo, KDI, KLI, ATRC, KGSC, VoRAE, CEL, CSGD. Through this MoU is aimed to utilize the experience and capacity of non-governmental organizations in promoting good practices for judges, prosecutors, and their support staff.

This workshop was followed by discussions of the technical aspect of the methodology and best practices of judicial training.



Activities from Initial Training Program (ITP)

During the month of May, the activities of this program were oriented towards the preliminary preparations for the training program for the IX generation of new judges and prosecutors, which are expected to be decreed soon after all the stages of recruitment by KJK and KPK have been completed.

In the framework of these preparations, the drafting of training modules has begun and their updating in accordance with the current legislation in force.

Activities from Continuous Training Program (CTP)

Training: The role and implementation of the Law on Asylum and its relationship with the International Convention on Asylum

On May 4, 2022, Academy of Justice within its Continuous Training Program conducted a training on the Role and implementation of the Law on Asylum and its relationship with the International Convention on Asylum.

The purpose of this training was for judges to become more familiar with the Law on Asylum, especially from the perspective of its relationship to International Conventions, relevant protocols and their application in practice when deciding on the right to asylum.

The training focused on the elaboration of the applicable legal provisions, both in the domestic and international legal framework. Special attention has been paid to provisions related to the procedure of the request of asylum seekers filed at the Department for Citizenship, Asylum and Migration within the Ministry of Internal Affairs and the National Commission for

Refugees of Kosovo, as well as the provisions related for the initiation of the Administrative Dispute, as well as procedures before the competent court.

The training was mainly developed in the form of dialogue between the participants and the trainer and with the use of case studies from judicial practice in the country, the region and Europe. On this occasion, experiences and dilemmas were exchanged, offering the best practices in this field.

Beneficiaries of this training were 2 judges of basic instance as well as 2 senior asylum officials from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, respectively from the Department for Asylum and Migration Services.



Specialized training program on Money laundering and financial investigation – Session II

4-5 May 2022 Academy of Justice in cooperation with GIZ, within its Continuous Trainign Program conducted the specialized training on Money Laundering and financial investigation – Session II.

Purpose of this training was to advance the knowledge of judges and prosecutors regarding the investigation and provision of evidence in cases of money laundering, the techniques of examination of frauds in money laundering as well as the preparation of personal profiles.

On the first day, the training mainly took place in the form of a conversation between the participants and the trainer regarding the experiences, dilemmas and procedural issues in cases of investigation and securing of evidence, then for the techniques of examination of frauds in money laundering, for the collection of

information and for preparation of personal profile.

On the second day, the training focused on clarifications regarding the process of tracking funds from both the recipient's and the payer's side, as well as the recovery of hidden assets.

The participants had the opportunity to address practical dilemmas through the practical case and to know the best judicial practices under the relevant cases.

Beneficiaries of this training were 6 judges of basic instance (1 from the special department, 1 from the serious crimes department and 4 others from the general department), as well as 5 prosecutors (1 from the Special Prosecution, 1 from the Appellate Prosecution and 3 others from the Basic Prosecution Office).



Specialized training program – Fraud and Corruption in Public Procurement – Session I

May 10-11 2022, Academy of Justice within the Continuous Training Program conducted the first session of the Specialized Training on Fraud and Corruption in Public Procurement.

The purpose of this training was to develop the professional skills of judges and prosecutors in identifying serious indicators of fraud during the stages of public procurement and corruption schemes in this field for the selection of judicial cases in practice in a meritorious manner.

On the first day, the training focused on the general principles of the Public Procurement Law, the institutional framework in the field of procurement, the functions and responsibilities of the main actors in public procurement procedures, the role and responsibilities of the Procurement Review Body, as well as the definitions of corruption and fraud in the procurement process, offering the possibility of interactive discussion with the participants.

On the second day, special attention was paid to cases of fraud and corruption in the pre-tendering phase, namely typical fraud schemes in procurement, then in the tendering phase as

well as in the phase after the award of the contract.

Special importance has also been given to provision of effective methods in preventing and fighting corruption and fraud in public procurement, how to identify serious indicators of fraud during the stages of public procurement and the ways and what are the schemes of corruption in the field of public procurement.

During the training, the interactive method was used with discussions and questions from the participants.

Beneficiaries of this training were 11 judges (9 judges of the basic instance, 1 from the Appeals instance and 1 from the Supreme Court); 6 prosecutors from the basic instance and 5 experts from the Special Prosecutor's Office as well as 5 police officers and investigators from the Kosovo Police.



Training: Disruption of Public Peace and Order

On May 12, 2022, within the Continuous Training Program was conducted a training on Disruption of Public Peace and Order.

The purpose of this training was to develop the skills of judges in identifying and distinguishing provisions of Articles 4 and 5 of the Law on Public Peace and Order and Article 16 of this Law with the Law on Minor Offenses for the fair and meritorious resolution of cases in court proceedings.

The training focused on the interpretations and clarifications regarding provisions of article 4 and 5 of the Law on Public Peace and Order, as well as on the difference between disobeying the order of the authorized official - Article 16 LPPO and the minor offenses - failure to act according to the order of the traffic authorized officials. Special attention has also been paid to the sanctions foreseen for the minor offense offenders and disrupters of public peace and order, namely the punishments for the violation of the relevant provisions.

On this occasion, it was emphasized that the legislation in force for public peace and order is quite poor and deficient in the inclusion and definition of minor offenses and as such in many cases presents a problem in its implementation. Following, the practical problems were addressed, especially when the request for initiation of the offense procedure was made by a non-competent body or even by an unauthorized body, therefore it was suggested that in these cases the request should be rejected by decision.

The applied methodology was of a combined character, with theoretical explanations and interactive discussions.

Beneficiaries of this training were 15 judges, 1 from the Court of Appeal and 14 from the Basic Courts from all regions of Kosovo.



Training: Recovery of stolen property

May 16-20 2022, Academy of Justice in cooperation with UNDP, within its Continuous Training Program conducted the training on Recovery of stolen property.

Purpose of this training was to extend the judges and prosecutors knowledge regarding financial investigations and asset recovery for the investigation and adjudication of money laundering cases in accordance with the applicable legislation.

The training for five consecutive days addressed important aspects of money laundering, asset tracking, organizing electronic evidence, demonstrating these through the practical exercise of asset tracking. Special attention has been paid to elements of crime, challenges in the investigation and prosecution of money laundering and asset recovery in Kosovo, approaches to financial investigations

and indirect methods for proving illegal income. Important aspects of mutual legal assistance and mechanisms for asset confiscation were also addressed.

The participants had the opportunity, through practical exercises, to address practical dilemmas, exchange experiences and get to know the best judicial practices in relevant cases.

Beneficiaries of this training were 7 judges from basic instance (1 from the Special Department, 2 from the Department for serious crimes and 4 others from the general Department), 4 prosecutors (1 from the Special Prosecution, 1 and 3 others from the Basic Prosecution), 8 police officers, 2 from the Financial Intelligence Unit and 1 administrative staff from the prosecution.



Training: The implementation of the Law on the Protection of Personal Data, administrative and judicial protection of personal rights, as well as the Law on public access and the procedure for realizing the rights to access information

On May 17, 2022, within the continuous training program, a training was carried out on: "Implementation of the Law on the Protection of Personal Data, administrative and judicial protection of personal rights, as well as the Law on public access and the procedure for realizing the rights to access information".

The purpose of this training was to develop the skills of judges for judicial protection of the right to privacy in concrete cases in judicial practice in accordance with constitutional and legal provisions.

In the first part, the training focused on the legal framework in force for protection of personal data, data protection in the context of the law of the European Union and the ECHR, the principles of personal data processing, the lawfulness of processing personal data, sensitive personal data, classification and criteria for their processing, the rights of the subjects and obligation of the controllers, the security of personal data, the basic concepts and finally advice and recommendations for securing personal data.

Administrative protection of personal data, judicial protection of personal rights, the procedure for realizing the rights to access

information, payments for access to official documents, exceptions to the right of access to public documents,

In the second part, it was discussed about the transmission of basic information to the followers, regarding the right of citizens to access public documents, produced, kept or received by public institutions, as well as the disclosure of legal responsibilities of responsible officials with decision-making competences within these institutions. Special attention has been paid to cases when the request for access to public documents is made, its review, the deadlines for review, permissible grounds for denying the access allowed in any circumstance, as well as other important aspects regarding complaints and the Agency's decision-making.

The training methodology was of a combined character with theoretical explanations and interactive discussions, presenting practical cases.

Beneficiaries of this training were 14 judges, mainly from the administrative and general department at the basic level.



Specialized Training Program - Cybercrime and cryptocurrencies – Session I

On May 18-19-20, 2022, within the framework of continuous program, a training has been conducted on: "Specialized Training Program - Cybercrime and cryptocurrencies - Session I" was carried out.

The purpose of this training was for judges and prosecutors to be informed about cybercrime as a criminal offense in domestic legislation, procedure and practices related to electronic evidence for the fair and meritorious resolution of court cases.

The training focused on challenges faced by prosecutors and judges while handling of cybercrime cases, the implementation of material provisions in general, and in particular the criminal offense: child pornography, namely all forms of committing this offense but also criminal offenses of sexual exploitation where the subject are children (their sensitivity and importance), cooperation with service providers, accelerated storage of data in emergency cases, as well as submission of requests for international legal assistance.

Judges and prosecutors have been notified of the special Laws that regulate this matter, in

particular the provisions of the Law on Electronic Communications, which deal with the powers and obligation of service providers to cooperate with law enforcers, implementing orders of the prosecutor's office and the court, deadlines set by this Law and the manner of inter-institutional cooperation. Cryptocurrencies were also discussed as a very prominent and controversial topic among both private and public sector professionals involved in preventing and combating money laundering. It was further noted that the most well-known cryptocurrency, Bitcoin, has generated a lot of interest especially as the media continues to deal with a number of high-profile investigations and prosecutions around the world.

The applied methodology was of a combined character, with theoretical explanations and interactive discussions.

Beneficiaries of this training were 7 judges (1 from the Court of Appeal and 6 from the basic level) and 7 prosecutors (1 from the Appeal and 6 from the basic level)



Roundtable with judges and prosecutors

Freedom of expression: Defamation and protection of reputation and safety of journalists

On May 19-20, 2022, within the framework of the continuous training program and with the support of the Council of Europe, namely the JUFREX project, a round table was held on Freedom of expression, defamation and protection of reputation and the safety of journalists.

The purpose of this table is to develop the skills of judges and prosecutors in judicial defense in cases of violation of citizens' rights and in particular freedom of expression and cases of defamation.

For two days in a row, the table addressed the basic concepts of freedom of expression and media, defamation and protection of reputation based on the standards of the ECHR, other mechanisms for protection with a focus on the role of the Independent Media Commission and the Printed Media Council, for the safety of journalists, which have been accompanied by

cases from local judicial practice and that of the ECtHR. Special attention has also been paid to the latest developments in the Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights.

During the roundtable, interactive methods were used, where there were discussions and questions from the participants.

Beneficiaries of the round table were 12 judges (2 from the Court of Appeals and 10 other judges from the basic level of courts), 11 prosecutors (1 from the Appeals Prosecution, 1 from the Special Prosecution and 9 others from the basic level of prosecutions), 3 lawyers and 1 senior official for professional cooperation from the Basic Prosecutor's Office in Prizren.



Training: The role of the Agency and privatization process - the liquidation of social enterprises by KPA

On May 19, 2022, as part of continuous program a training has been conducted on "Role of the Agency and privatization process - liquidation of social enterprises by KPA".

The purpose of this training was to develop judge's skills on judicial procedure of privatization cases and liquidation of social enterprises for a fair and meritorious solution in accordance with the legislation in force.

During this training, it was discussed about legal authorizations of the KPA in the privatization process and liquidation of SOEs, the liquidation as an administrative process, handling of credit claims at the SOE Liquidation Authority, where a review for the approval and rejection of requests at the KPA, as well as further procedures for reviewing requests at the SPCSP.

Furthermore, the administrative procedure at

the KPA Liquidation Authority and judicial procedure at the SCSP, which the supposed creditor of the SOE is obliged to follow based on the KPA law and the Appendix of him and LDHP, to realize the request presented to the SOE in liquidation.

The focus of the training was on the process of privatization and voluntary liquidation of SOEs, namely the assets of those SOEs,

The training methodology is of a combined character with theoretical explanations and interactive discussions, presenting practical cases.

The beneficiaries of this training were the Judges from the Special Chamber, judges of the Basic Courts-Civil Division.



Training for Law Enforcement Institutions regarding criminal offenses against Animals

On May 19 2022, Academy of Justice within its Continuous Training Program in cooperation with the Foundation for Animal Rights and also supported by the Swiss Foundation StrayCoCo, conducted a Training for Law Enforcement Institutions regarding criminal offenses against Animals.

The purpose of the training was for Judges, Prosecutors and Police Investigators to be informed more about forms of animal abuse, comparisons between criminal prosecution procedures in Switzerland in relation to Kosovo, then ways of collecting evidence in cases of animal abuse, etc.

The training initially focused on a brief overview of the types of animal abuse and how the Swiss prosecution handles these cases. The participants had the opportunity to elaborate on two or three typical Swiss cases of animal abuse and how the Swiss authorities have

handled the respective cases.

In the afternoon session, the training focused on the presentation of criminal prosecution procedures by the police and prosecutor's office in Switzerland and the comparison of criminal procedures in Kosovo.

During this training, evidence collection and other important aspects from the Swiss and Kosovar perspectives were also discussed, for which the participants had the opportunity to exchange experiences and best practices in this field.

Beneficiaries of this training were 6 judges and 9 prosecutors, mostly of the basic instance, as well as 2 police officers and a veterinarian.



Workshop: Trial Advocacy Skills

May 23-24 2022, Academy of Justice in cooperation with the US Embassy within its Continuous Training Program conducted workshop on Trial Advocacy Skills.

Purpose of this workshop was to advance the knowledge of prosecutors regarding the representation techniques in the trial and the correct application into practice in court cases.

On the first day, important aspects of adjudication were addressed, namely the theory of adjudication as well as giving an effective opening statement. It followed with the direct and cross examination, the use of evidence in the trial and making the closing statement, as well as the argumentation for a proportional punishment.

On the second day of the workshop, participants had the opportunity to study and analyze practical cases and prepare topics and strategies for adjudication. Each of the

participants had to give an opening statement about the specific case, demonstrate direct and cross examination, as well as give the closing statement and argue for the appropriate sentence.

In this workshop, international experts addressed all the issues raised about the adjudication and representation in the trial through explanations and analysis of the applicable legislation regarding the relevant issues.

Beneficiaries of this workshop were 17 prosecutors mostly from the basic instance from all regions of Kosovo, namely prosecutors of the 8th and 7th generations who have completed the Initial Training in the Academy of Justice.



Training: Obtaining the statement of child victims from the expert - Session II

On May 25-26, 2022, within the framework of continuous program, a training was carried out on: "Obtaining the statement of child victims from the expert - Session II".

The purpose of this training was to advance the knowledge of judges and prosecutors as well as other relevant actors regarding forensic interview of children for the correct implementation of the procedure and ensuring the protection of child victims of violence or criminal offenses.

The training for two consecutive days addresses the Code of Juvenile Justice with a focus on coordinating the Prosecutor, the Police and other relevant bodies, offering the best practices of forensic interviewing of children. Special

attention has been paid to the importance of forensic interview, taking into account the basic principles and techniques of talking with the child victim of crime to avoid re-victimization of the child and to ensure his well-being.

The training methodology is based on interactive discussions, elaborating on different cases from judicial practice.

Beneficiaries of this training are 12 judges and 7 prosecutors and 1 professional associate who mainly came from the basic level, from the juvenile department and the general department.



Training: The Right to Property - Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights

On May 31, 2022, as part of the continuous training program, a training was carried out on: "The right to property - Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights".



The purpose of this training was to advance the knowledge of judges and prosecutors regarding the right to respect a person's property and the possibility of deprivation of this right for reasons of public interest and under the conditions provided by the law as well as by general principles of international law.

During the training, topics such as: Definition of the right to property according to the ECHR and the jurisprudence of the ECHR were discussed; The scope of the right to property according to the ECHR and the jurisprudence of the ECHR; The special rules (three rules) of the right to property according to the ECHR and the jurisprudence of the ECHR; Restriction of the right to property according to the ECHR and the jurisprudence of the ECtHR; The application of property rights between private parties according to the ECHR and the jurisprudence of the ECHR; Basic notions contained in Article 1 of Protocol No. 1 of the ECHR; Payments for access to official documents, the role of the right to respect the individual's property; Conditions for interference with property rights for reasons of

public interest; Standards and criteria for compensation for deprivation of property in the context of Article 1. Protocol No. 1 of the ECHR and the practice of the ECHR.

In the training, it was emphasized that the right to property is a right guaranteed by Article 1 of Protocol 1 of the European Convention on Human Rights, which guarantees people the right to the peaceful enjoyment of their property. In the following, it was said that from the content of the text, but especially from the judicial practice, this article does not guarantee the right to acquire property, the right to buy or receive property, but only protects what has already been acquired.

The participants had the opportunity to discuss some cases from judicial practice of the ECtHR and through these the breakdown of the notions and categories contained in Article 1 of Protocol 1, as well as the way of interpretation made by the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) in Strasbourg.

During this training, combined methods of explanation were used, including theoretical and practical explanations.

The beneficiaries of this training were 35 judges, of them 1 from the Supreme Court, 5 from the Special Chamber of the Supreme Court of Kosovo, as well as 29 judges from Basic Courts from all regions of Kosovo.

Activities for judicial and prosecutorial administrative staff

Training for Professional Associates on Domestic Violence

May 5 2022, Academy of Justice in cooperation with the US Embassy within the Continuous Training Program conducted a training for Professional Associates of Courts and Prosecution Offices on Domestic Violence.

The purpose of this training was to advance the knowledge of the administrative staff, namely professional associates and legal officers of the courts and prosecution offices to identify the essential elements of this offense and correct application of the legal provisions related to domestic violence in the respective cases.

During this training, the concept of domestic violence according to the Criminal Code of Kosovo, domestic violence in terms of psychological violence and economic violence was addressed. Perspective was also provided, namely US practice in dealing with domestic violence rates.

The training mainly took place in the form of conversation between participants and trainees

regarding experiences, dilemmas and procedural issues, always based on cases from practice.

The participants had the opportunity, through practical cases, to analyze and interpret the legal provisions, further clarifying the general and specific elements that make up the criminal offense of domestic violence from Article 248 of the KPRK and eliminating all dilemmas regarding the forms of manifestation, the judicial procedure and the punishment of the perpetrators of this crime.

Participating in this training were 4 administrative staff from the courts and 8 from the prosecution offices who came from the ranks of professional associates, legal officers and senior clerks as well as one victim advocate.

Training: Basic module for professional associates and legal officers General and special part of criminal law

On May 10-13, 2022, in cooperation with UNDP, was continued with the organization of 3 trainings on general and special part of criminal law from the Basic Module for professional associate and legal officer for the 1st Group.

On May 25-27, 2022, the same 3 sessions were held for Group II

The purpose of these trainings was to advance the knowledge of professional associates and legal officers of the courts and prosecutor's offices regarding the legal framework in the criminal field and proper application in judicial practice for the meritorious resolution of cases.

In the first session, for the two groups, the general principles regarding implementation of the most favorable law, the evaluations related to the implementation of the most favorable law, criminal offenses, elements of the criminal offense, the way of commission, time and place of commission were addressed. In the following, the reasons for exclusion of unlawfulness has been elaborated, such as necessary protection, extreme need, violence and intimidation, the offense of minor importance as well as criminal liability. All these were illustrated with practical cases addressing issues that are being considered as challenges in the respective cases.

Special attention has also been paid to criminal offenses against life and body, murder and aggravated murder, criminal offenses against sexual integrity such as rape and sexual assault. Different cases from court practice were also elaborated for the respective crimes, which enabled the discussion and interpretation of legal provisions for the most meritorious solutions of the respective cases.

The 1st group in the first session was attended by a total of 35 participants. 15 professional associates and legal officers from the courts as well as 20 professional associates, senior officials for professional cooperation and s interns from prosecutors' offices from all

regions of Kosovo

A total of 49 participants took part in Group II, the first session. 24 professional associates and legal officers from courts, as well as 25 professional associates, senior officials for professional cooperation, and interns from prosecutors' offices from all regions of Kosovo.

In the second session, the two groups continued to deal with the practical aspects of collaboration in the commission of a criminal offense, the imposition of a sentence for joint criminal offenses, then practical aspects of criminal offenses against property, criminal offenses against narcotics, against public traffic safety and weapons offences.

The participants had the opportunity of interactive discussion with the trainers and through practical cases to eliminate the ambiguities and challenging issues when deciding relevant cases.

37 participants took part in the first group in the second session. 15 professional associates and legal officers from the courts, as well as 22 professional associates, senior professional cooperation officer, and other legal officers from prosecution offices from all regions of Kosovo.

Group II in the second session was attended by 50 participants. 25 professional associates, legal officers, legal secretaries and court clerks, as well as 25 professional associates, senior professional cooperation officer and other legal officers from prosecution offices from all regions of Kosovo.

In the framework of the third session, for the two groups, explanations were continued about the meaning of official person, misuse of official position or authority, conflict of interest, embezzlement and fraud in office, receiving and giving bribes, issuing unlawful court decisions and disclosure of official secrecy.

In the afternoon, it continued with important aspects of the punitive policy for criminal acts of corruption, information regarding the Guide on implementation of the punitive policy. Furthermore, the aggravating circumstances and mitigating circumstances for the measurement of the punishment, the prohibition of doubling the circumstances for the measurement of the punishment, as well as the specific factors of the circumstances in the case of the measurement of the punishment, have been addressed.

During this session, participants had the chance to avoid dilemmas or even inaccuracies in handling such cases through practical cases for each issue that was the subject of treatment.

36 participants took part in the 1st group in the third session. 15 professional associates, legal officers, head of the office for case

management from the court and 21 professional associates, senior professional cooperation officer as well as other legal officers from prosecutions from all regions of Kosovo.

Group II in the third session was attended by 48 participants. 23 professional associates, legal officers as well as legal secretaries from the court and 25 professional associates, senior professional cooperation officer, and other legal officers from prosecutions from all regions of Kosovo.



Training on Protocol

On May 12-13, 2022, within the continuous program for the administrative staff of the courts, was organized a training on: "Protocol".

The purpose of the Training was for the administrative staff of the Courts and Prosecutor's Offices, namely protocol officers or public communication officers, to gain basic and advanced knowledge about protocol issues and apply the law in practice during their work process.

For two days in a row, important aspects of the protocol rules were addressed, starting from the history of the protocol, international and diplomatic events, protocol and ethics, the protocol for the reception of delegations. Special attention has also been paid to the protocol of official clothing, information about

the reception of delegations, diplomatic ceremonial, credentials, invitations, types of writing on documents, etc.

The entire training was carried out interactivity between the trainer who was at the same time the head of the protocol of the state and the participants.

Beneficiaries of the training were 19 administrative staff of the courts and prosecutor's offices, 7 of them from the courts and 12 from the prosecutor's offices. The participants were from the ranks of information officers, spokespersons, legal officers, administrators and other members of the administrative staff of the courts and prosecutor's offices.



Activities for other legal professionals

Training: Case law in labor disputes

On May 5, 2022, in cooperation with GIZ, as part of the training for other legal professionals, a free training dedicated to legal aid officials was held on the topic: " Case law in labor disputes. "

The purpose of this training was for free legal aid officials to advance their knowledge and increase their capacities to respond effectively to citizens' requests in cases of labor disputes and to improve their services in accordance with the Law on free legal aid and the Labor Law.

The training is focused on the theoretical and practical treatment of the Labor Law, paying special attention to the legal basis in terms of contracts, their types, the causes of the termination of the employment relationship, as well as the procedures before the termination of the employment contract by the employer. Also,

during this training, it was discussed about the protection of the rights of the employees within the employer's bodies and the protection of the employees in the court and the decisions of the court in cases where the illegality of the termination of the employment contract is found.

On the occasion of this training, the participants had the opportunity of interactive discussion with the trainers and the exchange of experiences and at the same time in addressing the practical problems that appear to them during the handling of cases from labor disputes in practice.

The beneficiaries of this training were 17 officials of the Agency for free legal aid.

Training: Gender equality in property matters of joint ownership

On May 6, 2022, in cooperation with GIZ, in the framework of training for free legal aid officers, the training on the topic "Gender equality in property issues of joint ownership" was carried out.

The purpose of this training was to advance knowledge in property matters in order to improve the services of free legal aid officials in relation to the demands of citizens in the realization of property rights and the fair implementation of legislation in force regarding gender equality in property cases.

On the occasion of this training, the concept of co-ownership and joint ownership, the rights and obligations of the spouses, the right to partition and extinguish the co-ownership, joint ownership, joint ownership of the spouses and division, the separate property of the spouses were addressed. In the following, the training is focused on the explanations related to the

obligations of the spouses on the marital union, the administration of the joint property as well as the division of the joint property of the spouses.

On the occasion of this training, the concept of co-ownership and joint ownership, the rights and obligations of the spouses, the right to partition and extinguish the co-ownership, joint ownership, joint ownership of the spouses and division, the separate property of the spouses were addressed. In the following, the training is focused on the explanations related to the obligations of the spouses on the marital union, the administration of the joint property as well as the division of the joint property of the spouses.

Beneficiaries of this training were 20 officials of the Free Legal Aid Agency from all regions.

Training for Victim Advocates in cases of Domestic Violence

On May 31, 2022, in cooperation with GIZ, as part of the training for other legal professionals, a training dedicated to victims advocates was carried out on: "Domestic violence"

The purpose of this training was for the defenders of victims to advance their knowledge and increase their capacities to respond effectively to cases of domestic violence and to improve their protection services in accordance with the legal framework in force.

The training focused on explanations regarding domestic violence and forms of its manifestation, motives and factors that influence the appearance of domestic violence. Furthermore, the training was focused on handling the procedure in cases of domestic violence with a focus on filing the Request for Protection Order, Protection Order, Protective

Measures, Protection of children in cases of issuance of Protection Order and Emergency Protection Order as well as Complaints and its effects on domestic violence proceedings.

On the occasion of this training, the participants had the opportunity of interactive discussion with the trainers and the exchange of experiences and at the same time addressing the practical problems that appear to them during their work in practice.

Beneficiaries of this training were 11 victim advocates from the Office for Victim Protection and Assistance.



Activities Training for Trainers

Training of Trainers on Mediation

May 21 2022, Academy of Justice in Cooperation with the Ministry of Justice and the US Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service (FMCS), supported and funded by the Office of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL) at the US Embassy, held the 1st



session of the Training of Trainers in the field of Mediation.

This training came as a result of a long recruitment process, started since 2021, which was concluded during the month of March

2022, in which case 15 mediators were selected to continue the Training of Trainers.

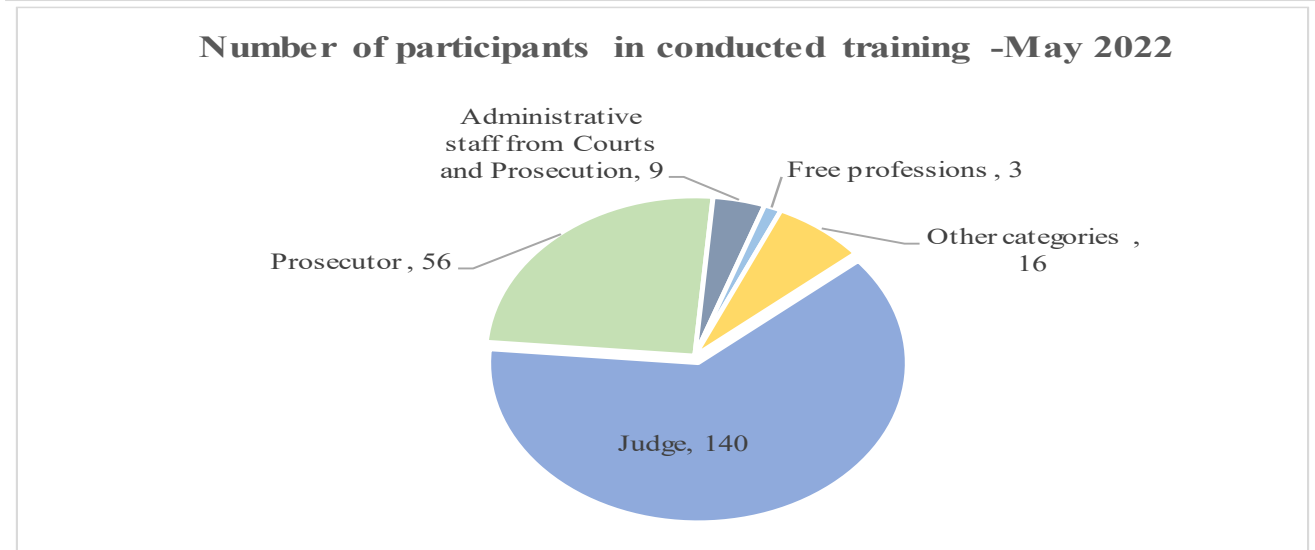
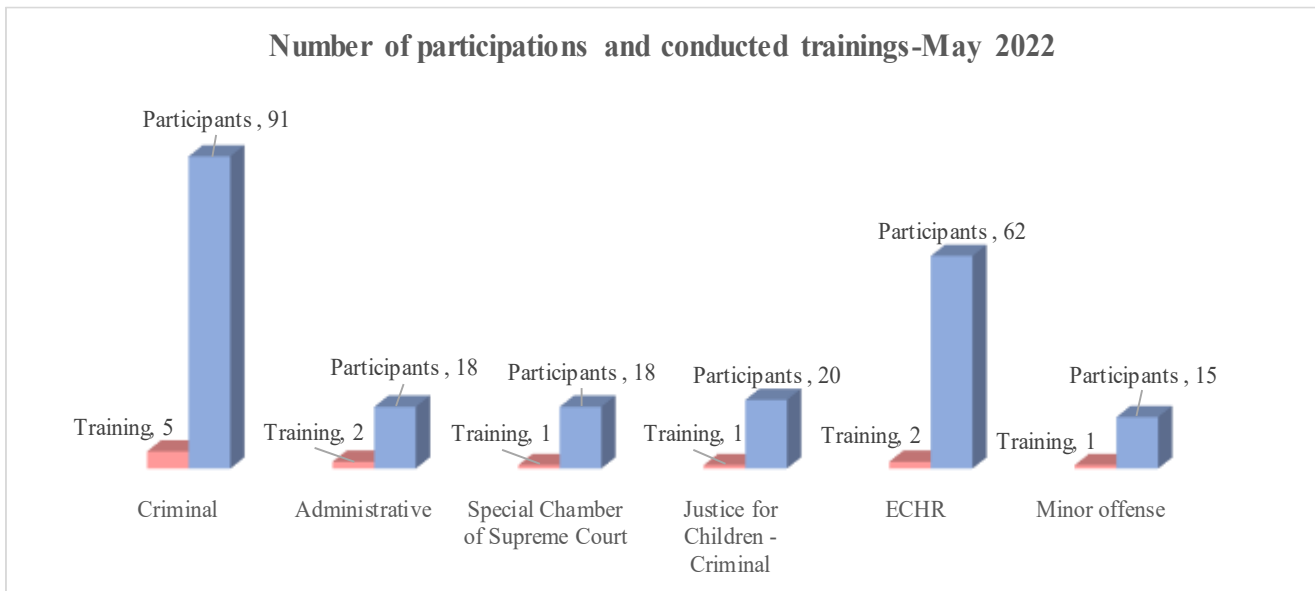
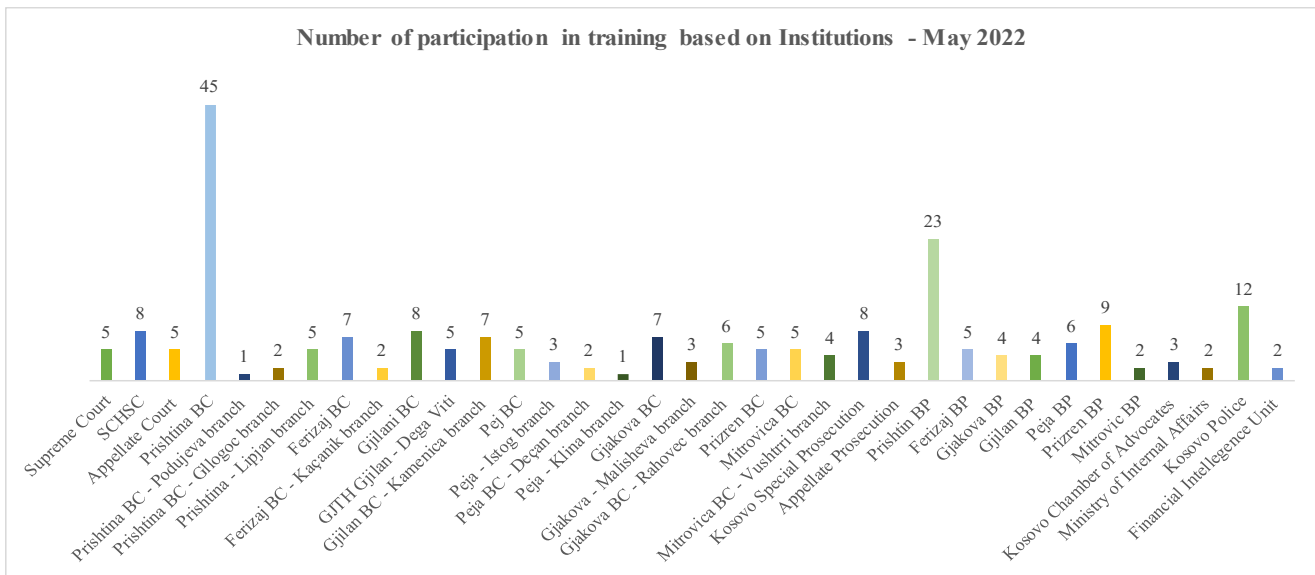
For three consecutive days, mediators had the opportunity to develop their capacities as trainers together with the FMCS team from the United States of America, led by Mr. Peter Swanson, Mrs. Emily Rife and Mr. David Moore.

The entire training was focused on practical cases and simulations, developed in advance by the training team, starting with the role of the Mediator, addressing the emotions of the parties, the language of the mediator, the art of questioning and mediation techniques to break down the cases and many other details that play an important role in the Mediation process.

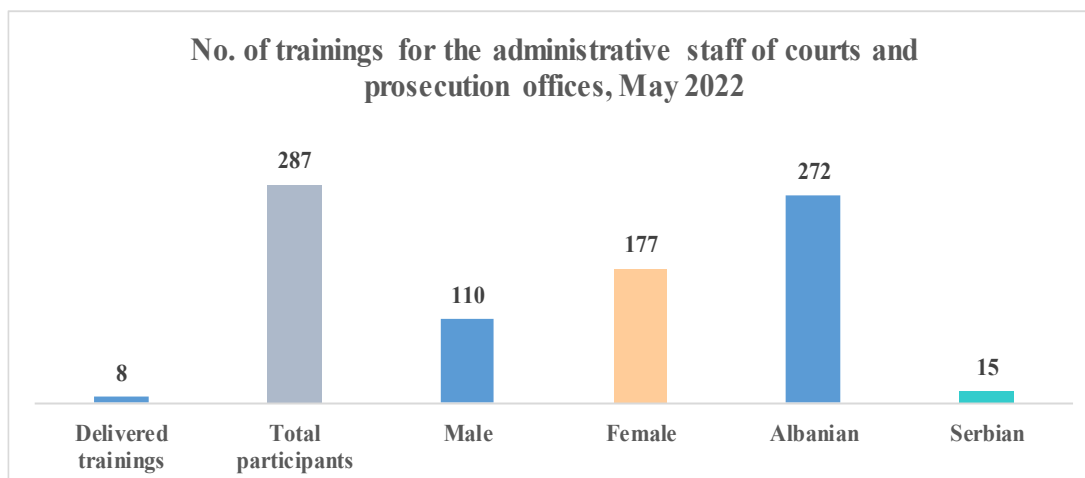
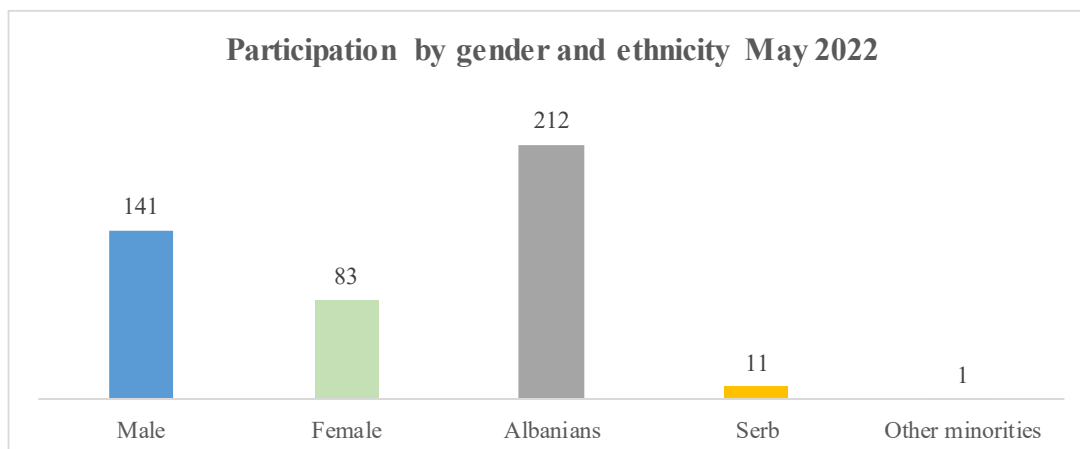
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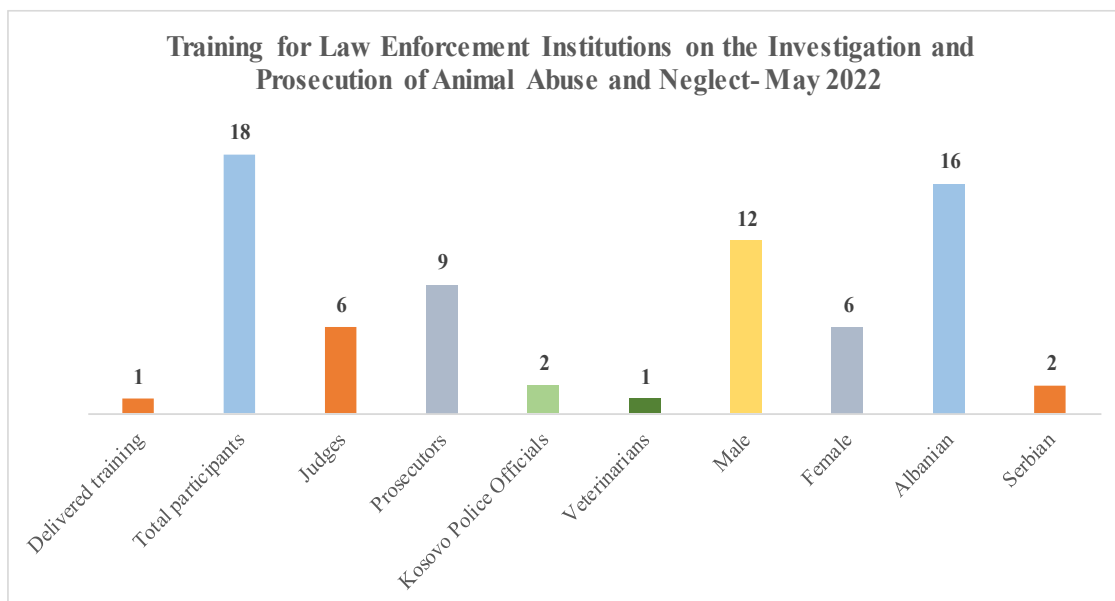
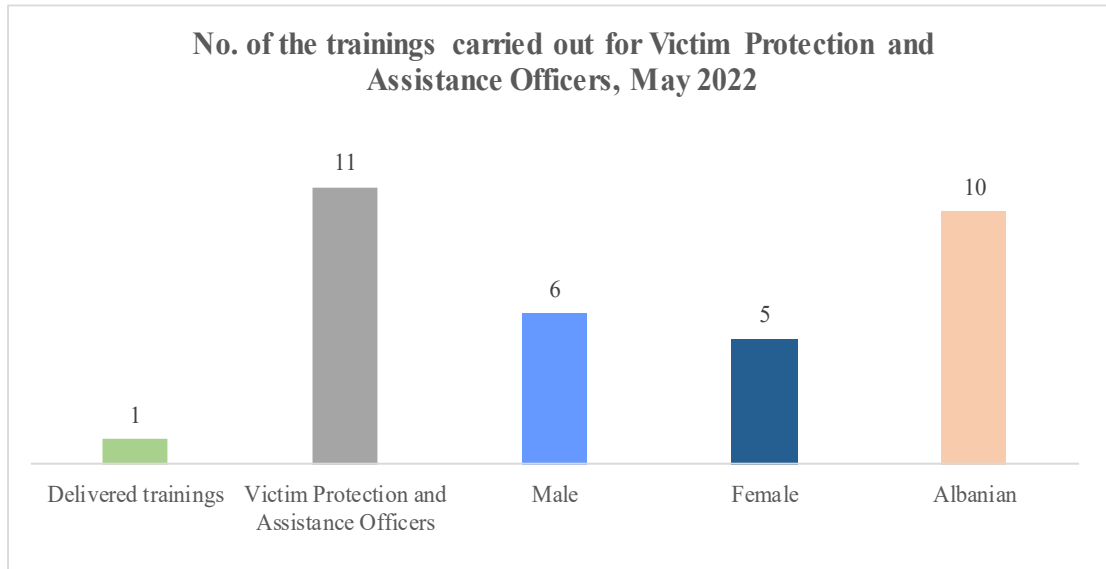
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