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LAUNCHING EVENT

On November 9, 2022, NGO ACDC organized the kick-off event to present the continuation of the project "Enhancing Transparency and Rule of Law in Kosovo-Serb Majority Communities", implemented by NGO ACDC in cooperation with NGO AKTIV and financed by INL.



During the event, NGO ACDC and NGO Aktiv presented project activities that have been achieved and taken place over the past year and the next steps planned for the coming 2022-2023 implementation period.



The project is divided into two components:

- 1) Anti-Corruption and citizens' participation in decision making processes in Kosovo-Serb majority municipalities and
- 2) support to the administration of justice in Kosovo-Serb majority areas.

FORUM FOR DIALOGUE OF OIK AND CSO

On November 16, a working meeting of the Forum for Dialogue of Ombudsman Institutions and Civil Society Organizations was held in Prishtina.



The initiatives implemented after the last meeting of the Forum were presented at the meeting, as well as the conclusions of the Ombudsman concerning the findings of the Civil Society Report on Human Rights in Kosovo for 2021.

Within the project Women for Women United in Action, we continued organizing meetings with members of the Women's network aiming to connect and bring together women from different institutions the North of Kosovo, to share experiences and increase connections.



WOMEN'S NETWORK MEETING



A continuous training program in Albanian language helps ACDC staff to hone their knowledge and skills in Albanian. The program is part of the Organizational Development Grant, supported by KCSF program "EJA Kosovo".

M4Y

The implementation of the projects conducted by young people from Zvecan, Vushtri/Vucitrn, Skenderaj/Srbica, and Ranilug, who received grants within the M4Y project continued this month.



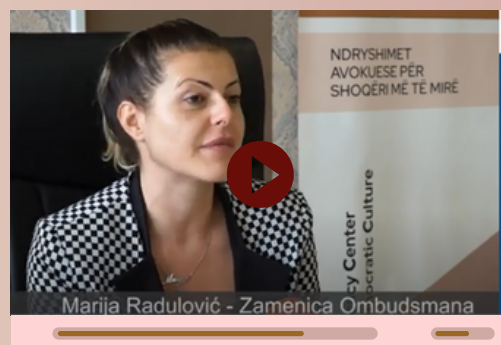


Program manager Slobodan Stosic took part in the seminar "#OCDzajezičkaprava" organized by Communication for Social Development. The event brought together representatives of civil society organizations that are actively dealing with language rights in Kosovo in order to jointly define the steps of action in the future and support the Office of the Commissioner for Languages with clearly defined roles, activities, and actions.



Media TALKS

The Deputy Ombudsperson Marija Radulović, presented the work and role of the Ombudsperson Institution in the promotion and advancement of human rights. The media talk is part of a public campaign implemented by the NGO ACDC, which aims to promote the Kosovo Ombudsperson Institution and increase the institution's visibility in the Mitrovica region.



Video

ACDC Program manager Slobodan Stošić and Program Officer, Ines Aljovic Mihajlović, presented the continuation of the project "Enhancing Transparency and Rule of Law in Kosovo-Serb Majority Communities", and talked about the activities that were carried out in the previous year.



Video

The third media talk within the public campaign that aims to empower women from non-majority communities to participate in decision-making processes and raise awareness among men about the importance of their inclusion, included Aleksandar Rapajić. See what Aleksandar has to say about the position of women in the north of Kosovo.



Video



At the beginning of November, the dispute over Serbian-issued license plates initiated mass resignations of Serbs from Kosovo institutions and caused a major political crisis in the north of Kosovo.



During this month, ACDC executive director Dušan Radaković and other representatives of CSOs from North Mitrovica have met with the Head of the EU Office in Kosovo, Tomáš Szunyog, to discuss the current political situation in the north of Kosovo.



Read what our executive and program director told the media about the political crisis in the north of Kosovo.

Dusan Radakovic for Kosovo Online on the refusal of the members of the Kosovo Police - North Regional Directorate to implement the decision of Pristina to issue warnings to drivers who do not possess RKS license plates



Aleksandar Rapajić for RTS on local elections in north Kosovo announced by Kosovo President, scheduled to take place next month



Aleksandar Rapajić for Danas on the situation in northern Kosovo after the withdrawal of Serbs from the Kosovo institutions



Together with other CSOs from Kosovo and Serbia, we expressed our support for the director of the NGO Aktiv, Miodrag Milićević who was verbally and physically assaulted by a member of Kosovo Police special units near Jarinje in the north of Kosovo.

Read the full statement in Serbian, Albanian and English.

