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NEWSLETTER



Internship Program

In April, NGO ACDC signed internship contracts with selected young lawyers, giving them the opportunity to expand their knowledge and skills over the next 3 months.

One of the most important activities within this program is a moot court simulation that the interns will prepare and present at the end of the program to promote the importance of involving young lawyers from the north in legal practice in Kosovo.

The internship program is part of the project "Enhancing Transparency and Rule of Law in Kosovo-Serb Majority Communities in Kosovo", funded by INL Kosovo.



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SOCIAL MEDIA CAMPAIGN

We have launched a new social media campaign #knowyourrights to ensure that pregnant women and young mothers are aware of their rights in the workplace. Our campaign will provide the basic information to protect and defend your rights during maternity and parental leave.

Check out the first in a series of coordinated social media posts as part of our campaign to promote maternity rights in Kosovo.



RESEARCH ON LABOUR RIGHTS

This campaign was launched after conducting research on the labour rights of pregnant women and young mothers, which emphasized the significance of non-discrimination in labour law and shed light on the perceptions of women regarding the rights and duties of employees.

The publication was produced with the financial support of the European Union in the scope of the "Protecting and Promoting Labour Rights of Vulnerable Groups in the Labour Market" project, implemented by Advocacy Training and Resource Center - ATRC in partnership with BIRN Kosovo.

The analysis is available on our website in English, Serbian and Albanian



NGO ACDC has been awarded funding from Smart Balkans for a new project "Promoting the Rights and Role of Citizens through Reducing the Risk of Natural Disasters." This project aims to raise awareness about the risks of disasters and climate change, while also promoting social cohesion among community members to achieve long-term results and improve the impact of decision-making processes in this area.

We were honored to participate in the grant agreement signing ceremony with the Smart Balkan team on March 28th.





See what our Executive Director, Dusan Radakovic, and Program Director, Aleksandar Rapajic told the media about the elections in the north of Kosovo.

Dušan Radaković for RTS about the elections in the north of Kosovo.



Dušan Radaković for Kosovo Online about the elections in the north of Kosovo.



Dusan Radakovic in the show Razgovor on RTK2



Aleksandar Rapajić for Tanjug about the elections in the north of Kosovo.



Aleksandar Rapajić for Al Jazeera on visa liberalization for Kosovo



NGO ACDC, as a member of the coalition Democracy in Action, was actively involved in the monitoring of the elections held in North Kosovo in April.



Together with Democracy in Action, we signed a joint press release stating that while the elections met the minimum legal criteria, they do not guarantee the political legitimacy and representation of the resulting institutions.

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Statements on International Days



We believe it is important to recognize and celebrate the diversity of our global community.

On April 8, we marked Romani Day, a day to honor and celebrate Roma culture.



In recognition of the importance of environmental protection, we marked Earth Day on April 21.



On April 28th, we marked the World Day of Safety and Health at Work to promote and raise awareness of the importance of preventing workplace injuries, accidents, and illnesses.

A n n o u n c e m e n t s



In addition to our ongoing initiatives, we are currently conducting research on discrimination in North Mitrovica which will be published next month.

We are developing a custom online platform for the Office of Community Affairs to provide support to representatives of non-majority communities which will be presented in the upcoming months.



Furthermore, ACDC remains committed to providing free legal aid services to those who face challenges in exercising their rights in Kosovo.

ACDC has recently published a call for applications for the position of project coordinator. The successful candidate will be announced in May.

To learn more about our work, visit our website or social media pages.



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