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NGO ACDC held a conference on visa liberalization for Kosovo

On July 10, NGO ACDC organized a conference on the impact of strengthening the existing awareness-raising campaign on visa liberalization, with support from the International Organization for Migration (IOM). The conference showcased the outcomes of efforts to raise awareness about the rights and duties of citizens under the visa-free regime. It focused on the impact of outreach initiatives, including informative sessions, social media campaigns, and the distribution of educational materials. The conference also highlighted the increased interest in Kosovo passports as one of the visible effects of visa liberalization.

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ACDC and Information Commissioner Sign Memorandum

The Commissioner for Information and Privacy, Krenare Sogojeva Dërmaku, and the Executive Director of ACDC, Dušan Radaković, signed a Memorandum of Cooperation, aiming to raise the level of cooperation between citizens in the north of Kosovo and the AIP, as well as to facilitate citizens' access to AIP services in other regions of Kosovo.



ACDC Team Enhances Knowledge on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse



In July, the ACDC team, along with other implementing partners, participated in two important training sessions focused on Protection from Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (PSEA). These sessions provided valuable insights into understanding the policies related to PSEA, the consequences of sexual exploitation, abuse (SEA), and sexual harassment. Participants also learned how to effectively identify and report incidents and how to offer the necessary support and referrals to victims of violence.



In cooperation with the NGO REC, a visit to religious and cultural sites in Prizren was organized. The aim of this visit was to promote multiculturalism among youth from different communities.

This activity was carried out within the framework of a project funded by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and International Cooperation of the Republic of Italy and is being implemented by the NGO REC in partnership with the NGO ACDC.

NGO ACDC Participated in Workshop on Government Strategy for Civil Society Cooperation

NGO ACDC Program Officer, Miljan Vanic, participated in a workshop organized by the Office for Good Governance/Office of the Prime Minister, focusing on the development of the Government Strategy for Cooperation with Civil Society 2024-2029. The workshop presented the first draft of the strategy's objectives and aimed to create a sustainable environment for civil society and active citizenship. This event was supported by the CiviKos Platform and the TACSO-3 project.



Starting July, NGO ACDC is launching three new projects:

Public Information and Awareness Services for Vulnerable Communities in Kosovo (PIAKOS)

In partnership with SHPRK and INJECT, and under the leadership of ATRC, this initiative will engage 600 households in Northern Kosovo to improve their understanding of property rights, legal aid, and tax incentives. The project aims to empower vulnerable communities by providing essential information to help them navigate property-related processes with confidence. A public call has also been published, inviting volunteers to participate in a door-to-door campaign as part of this initiative.

Multiethnic Summer Camps: Linking Through Languages and Culture



As part of the YESS project funded by the UN Secretary-General's Peacebuilding Fund, ACDC, in collaboration with IOM and UNICEF, will organize summer camps for children aged 13 to 18 from different ethnic backgrounds. These camps will foster intercultural understanding, unity, and empathy through various programs and activities. By bringing youth together, the camps aim to build lasting relationships and inspire peacebuilding initiatives.

Facilitating Inter-Ethnic Cooperation through Monitoring and Reporting on War Crime Cases

Partnering with Internews Kosova, ACDC will contribute to transitional justice by monitoring war crimes court hearings in Kosovo. This project seeks to raise awareness among judicial institutions and the public through court monitoring and journalistic reporting, highlighting the importance of addressing war crimes for reconciliation. Two articles related to this project have been published on the ACDC and Kallxo websites and can be read [**HERE**].

NGO ACDC Publishes Statement on Notary Appointments in Kosovo

On July 17, a public statement by civil society was issued regarding the appointment of notaries in Kosovo. In the statement, we expressed concern and protest over the decision of the Minister of Justice of Kosovo regarding the appointment of notaries, which did not include any notary from the Serbian community among the 100 appointed notaries.



Dušan Radaković in BIRN **Kosovo Report Presentation on Transitional Justice**

Dušan Radaković, Executive Director of NGO ACDC, participated in the presentation of BIRN Kosovo's report titled 'The Other That Does Not Exist' and engaged in discussions about the current state of transitional justice in Kosovo."





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