

STAND UP

for victims rights

Fostering rights of the victims of hate crimes through support and 'civil courage'

ABOUT THE PROJECT

Hate crimes and incidents are major issues in Europe for their diffusion and unique impact on victims and communities. The project aims to contribute to the application of Directive 2012/29/EU in order to **improve the system of support for the victims of hate crimes, to promote victims' rights and to combat the underreporting**. An effective referral system working with CSOs and support services in 3 EU countries (Italy, Austria, Croatia) will be created, to improve access to support services by victims of hate crime' and provide a tailored response to their needs. A parallel work will be conducted

with legal practitioners, police officers and other professionals likely to come into contact with victims. These professionals will better understand the needs of victims after training. The project will also **increase knowledge of and promote victims' rights and strengthen the community's capacity to react**.

The project will result in:

- increase in access to support services by hate crime victims
- increased reporting of hate crimes
- increased response by the community

WHEN

From September 2020
to August 2022

WHERE

Austria | Croatia | Italy

ACTIVITIES AND OUTPUTS

- Creation of national working groups of CSOs that support victims of hate crime (based on homo-transphobia, racism, misogyny, islamophobia, abilism, anti-semitism) and produce tools for recording cases and effective referral.
- Capacity building of legal and law enforcement professionals and other people likely to come into contact with victims of hate crimes such as social workers, teachers, activists etc., focused on how to respond to victims' needs.
- Information and awareness raising campaign to encourage reporting of hate crime cases, as well as strengthen and promote 'civil courage' through social and traditional media outlets and advocacy initiatives.
- Transnational networking, exchange of experience and good practices.

PARTNERSHIP



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