EUROPEAN HUMAN RIGHTS DATABASE

Strengthening the implementation of the Convention at the national level

Presentation of the European Human Rights Database in the languages of the Western Balkans countries

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European Human Rights Database

The Database is a ‘one-stop-shop’ portal that provides access to the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR), case summaries and expert commentaries relevant to the countries in the South East Europe (SEE) region in local languages (Albanian, Macedonian, Bosnian/Croatian/Montenegrin/Serbian, or BCMS).

Content

In addition to the case law specific materials, the Database also contains further legal resources. The first is an Overview of each Convention Article. The Overview briefly sets out the rights protected by that Article, and can act as a guide to the search criteria in order to extract relevant case law. The second is a list of common factual situations which may arise. The document for each factual situation explains how that situation can engage the protection of the relevant Convention Articles. When a factual situation appears to engage Articles of the Convention, the user may look at the Overview of the Article where they will find the tests that should be applied, as well as the examples of relevant case law. The Database will also contain links to other useful publications such as handbooks and guides to case law from the ECtHR, to complement your research.
Who is it for?

The Database is primarily designed to enable national judges at all levels to incorporate and apply the ECHR jurisprudence in their judgments, and to encourage prosecutors and court experts and advisors to take account of ECHR jurisprudence in their legal analysis.

The Database is also an essential tool for practicing lawyers, NGOs, academics and law students as well as government officials and members of the legislature. It is particularly useful in the context of the legislative drafting process.

Database Research

The Database contains advanced search options, while remaining straightforward and user-friendly.

There are two main methods of searching the Database: the search by a Convention Article, and the Advanced search.

Whereas some search options are common to both methods of search (free text search, decision type, applicant(s), respondent State(s), application number, document type, and date/interval), there are significant differences in the ways these two methods are intended to serve the needs of the Database users.
The European Human Rights Database for the countries of South East Europe has been set up by the AIRE Centre, in cooperation with the Government Agents before the European Court of Human Rights from Montenegro, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Macedonia, and Serbia. The project is implemented with the support of the United Kingdom Foreign and Commonwealth Office.

We welcome your feedback and suggestions as to how to further improve the Database.

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