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International Labour Organization (ILO)	 On 09.09.2024, on the website of International Labour Organization (ILO), it was announced that The ILO's Assistant Director-General, Mia Seppo, would present the new report at a hybrid press briefing on Thursday, 12 September. It was stated that new ILO report highlighted key role of social protection in climate change mitigation and adaptation and ensuring a just transition. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/new-ilo-report-highlights-
	key-role-social-protection-mitigating-climate (Access Date: 26.09.2024)
	- On 12.09.2024, on the website of ILO, a podcast was shared about how ethical AI innovation can create decent work for disadvantaged groups. Source: https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/how-ethical-ai-innovation-can-create-decent-work-disadvantaged-groups (Access Date: 26.09.2024)
	 On 17.09.2024, according to the news on the website of ILO, officials from the ILO Office for Türkiye conducted a field visit to Samsun and Ordu on 10-11 September 2024 to meet with local stakeholders, partners, and beneficiaries, and to observe efforts to eliminate child labour on the ground.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/ground-ordu-and-samsunilo-officials-evaluate-and-advance-efforts-eradicate

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 20.09.2024, on the website of ILO, it was announced that a "Global challenges - Global solutions podcast" with titled "Challenges and opportunities of an ageing workforce: A worker's perspective" would be shared on 30.09.2024.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/challenges-and-opportunities-of-an-ageing-workforce

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 25.09.2024, on the website of ILO, it was announced that a
new online knowledge resource on AI, the digital economy and
the world of work, was launched by ILO, which aimed to
become the leading international source of knowledge and
resources on the subject.

Source:

https://www.ilo.org/resource/news/ilo-launches-new-ai-and-digital-economy-online-knowledge-hub

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)

- On 02.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, an independent Human Rights Expert stated that "apartheid Israel" is targeting Gaza and the West Bank simultaneously.

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/apartheidisrael-targeting-gaza-and-west-bank-simultaneously-saysexpert (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 05.09.2024, on the website of OHCHR, "Toolkit: Ratifying the International Covenants: The International Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (ICESCR) and the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR)" was published.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/tools-and-resources/toolkit-ratifying-international-covenants-international-covenant (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 05.09.2024, on the website of OHCHR, "Access to Remedy in Cases of Business-Related Human Rights Abuse: A Practical Guide for State-Based Judicial Mechanisms" was published.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/publications/reference-publications/access-to-remedy-bhr-practical-guide-judicial (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 11.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, Volker Türk, UN High Commissioner for Human Rights said that "we cannot stand idly by as inequality deepens and global hunger grows", at the Panel on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights within the context of addressing inequalities.

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/09/we-cannot-stand-idly-inequality-deepens-and-global-hunger-grows (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 12.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Experts urged Israel to stop attacks and harassment against journalists in occupied West Bank

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/un-expertsurge-israel-stop-attacks-and-harassment-against-journalists (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 16.09.2024, on the website of OHCHR, accreditation status as of 16 September 2024, "Chart of the Status of National Institutions Accredited by the Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions" was published.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/documents/tools-andresources/current-chart-accreditation-nhris

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 16.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, the UN Special Rapporteur on the situation of human rights defenders stated that attacks against human rights defenders and obliteration of civic space in Gaza unacceptable.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/attacks-against-human-rights-defenders-and-obliteration-civic-space-gaza (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 18.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights concluded its review of the seventh periodic report of Cyprus, with Committee Experts commending the State on its spending on education, while raising questions on how the State handled applications for refugee status and the recognition of diplomas issued by Turkish Cypriot authorities.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/news/2024/09/examen-de-chypre-au-cescr-la-situation-des-migrants-et-celle-des-chypriotes-turcs-sont (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 18.09.2024, on the website of OHCHR, comment by UN High Commissioner for Human Rights Volker Türk on explosions across Lebanon and in Syria was shared.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/09/comment-unhigh-commissioner-human-rights-volker-turk-explosionsacross-lebanon (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 18.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Experts warned international order on a knife's edge, urge States to comply with ICJ Advisory Opinion.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/09/un-expertswarn-international-order-knifes-edge-urge-states-comply-icjadvisory (Access Date: 26.09.2024) - On 19.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, UN Human Rights Experts stated that exploding pagers and radios are terrifying violation of international law.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/exploding-pagers-and-radios-terrifying-violation-international-law-say-un (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 20.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, ahead of the Summit of the Future, the Platform of Independent Experts on Refugee Rights (PIERR), a group of UN and regional Human Rights Experts issued a statement and according to that they said that commitment to just, equitable and peaceful societies will ensure refugees can contribute to sustainable development.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/09/commitment-just-equitable-and-peaceful-societies-will-ensure-refugees-can (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 20.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, High Commissioner Türk told the UN Security Council that disrespect for international law is a matter of international peace and security.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements-and-speeches/2024/09/disrespect-for-international-law-a-matter-of-international-peace-and-security-hc

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 24.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, an UN Expert condemned the death of a third physician from Gaza while in Israeli custody and renewed calls for the protection of healthcare workers in the occupied Palestinian territory.

- Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/un-expert-shocked-death-another-palestinian-doctor-israeli-detention (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 25.09.2024, according to the news on the website of OHCHR, on the occasion of the day World Contraception Day,
 26 September 2024 and International Safe Abortion Day,
 28 September 2024, the UN Experts said that bodily autonomy,
 dignity and freedom of choice must be respected.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/09/bodilyautonomy-dignity-and-freedom-choice-must-be-respectedsay-un-experts (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

UN Women

On 05.09.2024, according to the news shared on the website of UN Women, the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA 79) marked a crucial opportunity to put gender equality at the center of the global discussions towards Sustainable Development. It was stated that UNGA79 would take place from 10th to 30th September 2024, under the theme, "Leaving no one behind: acting together for the advancement of peace, sustainable development and human dignity for present and future generations."

https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/media-advisory/2024/09/un-women-at-the-79th-session-of-the-ungeneral-assembly-unga-79 (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

- On 11.09.2024, on the website of UN Women, the speech of UN Women Executive Director Sima Bahous was shared. Alarming rates of violence, economic disparities, political underrepresentation that persist globally and responsibility of governments, civil society, and international organizations were emphasized in the speech. It was also stated in the speech that addressing these issues is not only a moral imperative but also essential for achieving broader societal progress.

Source:

https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/speech/2024/09/speech-our-job-is-clear-and-its-urgency-apparent (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 13.09.2024, on the website of UN Women, a statement was shared. In the statement, critical need to eliminate barriers that hindered women's full participation in the workforce was stressed. Ongoing challenges such as gender pay gaps, occupational segregation, and workplace discrimination were also emphasized in the statement. UN Women called for urgent action to implement policies that promoted equal pay, supported work-life balance, and enhanced women's access to leadership roles, in the statement.

Source:

https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/statement/2024/09/advancing-gender-equality-in-the-world-of-work (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 16.09.2024, on the website of UN Women, a press briefing was shared at the press conference launching "The latest Progress on the Sustainable Development Goals: The Gender Snapshot 2024". In the press briefing, that was held by UN Women Deputy Executive Director Nyaradzayi Gumbonzvanda, current state of gender equality worldwide was discussed and alarming statistics revealing setbacks in women's rights and participation due to crises like the pandemic and conflict was brought to attention. Gumbonzvanda emphasized the need for urgent action and investment to address these disparities, calling on governments and stakeholders to prioritize gender equality in their policies. In the briefing, it was underscored the importance of accountability and data-driven approaches to meaningful progress for women and girls globally.

Source:

https://www.unwomen.org/en/news-stories/pressbriefing/2024/09/press-briefing-at-the-un-headquarters-by-unwomen-deputy-executive-director-nyaradzayigumbonzvanda-at-the-launch-of-the-gender-snapshot-2024

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT)

On 05.09.2024, on the website of the UN Subcommittee on Prevention of Torture (SPT), a statement was published announcing that SPT would visit Nigeria for the second time from September 8 to 19. The visit is intended to assess the treatment of detainees and to gauge whether the country has strengthened its capacity to protect the human rights of all persons deprived of their liberty since the SPT's visit ten years ago.

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/nigeria-un-torture-prevention-body-carry-out-new-visit

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 23.09.2024, according to the news on the website of SPT, SPT visited Nigeria for the second time from 8 to 19 September 2024 to assess the treatment of persons in detention and whether the country has strengthened its capacity to protect the human rights of persons deprived of their liberty, including the proper functioning of the National Preventive Mechanism (NPM).

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/nigeriaurgent-measures-needed-end-torture-and-ill-treatment-sayexperts (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

UN International Children's Emergency Fund (UNICEF)

on 06.09.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a statement was shared. In the statement, the critical importance of children returning to school following disruptions caused by crises such as the COVID-19 pandemic and conflicts was emphasized. It was highlighted in the statement that millions of children worldwide have faced barriers to education, impacting their learning and well-being. It was also emphasized in the statement that school is essential not only for academic growth but also for social development and mental health. In the statement, UNICEF called for urgent efforts from governments and communities to ensure that all children have access to safe and inclusive learning environments.

Source:

https://www.unicef.org/stories/school-session-millions-children-around-world (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 10.09.2024, on the website of UNICEF, a blog post was shared. Efforts to restore education in the Gaza Strip amid ongoing conflict and devastation was highlighted in the post. The resilience of children and educators who strive to maintain learning despite significant challenges, including damaged schools and limited resources was also emphasized in the post.

Source:

https://www.unicef.org/blog/hope-amid-rubble-restoring-learning-gaza-strip (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

- On 11.09.2024, on the website of UNICEF an article was shared. Efforts to provide access to education, ensuring safe learning environments, and delivering vital health services amid ongoing challenges were highlighted in the post. Additionally, the importance of mental health support for children affected by conflict and instability, showcasing UNICEF's commitment to improving the well-being of Myanmar's youth was also emphasized.

Source:

https://www.unicef.org/stories/3-ways-unicef-supportingchildren-myanmar (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

UN Development Programme (UNDP)

On 12.09.2024, on the website of the United Nations Development Programme, it was reported that UNDP and the International Organization for Standardization (ISO) announced the world's first international guidelines designed to help businesses and organizations accelerate their contribution to the UN Sustainable Development Goals.

https://www.undp.org/press-releases/groundbreakinginternational-guidelines-empower-businesses-accelerate-sdgachievement (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 21.09.2024, according to the news on UNDP's website, leading global voices representing different sectors of society came together at the "A Digital Future for All" themed event held at the United Nations Headquarters.

Source:

https://www.undp.org/press-releases/sdg-digital-unlocks-commitments-leverage-innovation-and-emerging-technologies-more-sustainable-inclusive-and-responsible-future (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 23.09.2024, on the website of UNDP, PlanetPlay, a non-profit platform contributing to environmental action through games, and UNDP have launched a new initiative, inviting game studios to participate in Play2Act, an in-game survey aimed at exploring climate and environmental actions.

Source:

https://www.undp.org/news/planetplay-and-undp-call-gamestudios-join-play2act-game-poll-explore-climate-andenvironmental-action (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 23.09.2024, according to the news on the website of UNDP, the "50-in-5" campaign, an initiative aimed at helping 50 countries design, launch, and scale components of their digital public infrastructure by 2028, took place with the participation of many new countries as it approached its first anniversary in

the context of the Summit of the Future and the Global Digital Compact (GDC) agreement.

Source:

https://www.undp.org/news/50-5-milestone-event-illustrateshow-implement-new-global-digital-compact-safely-andinclusively (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 25.09.2024, according to the news on the website of UNDP, UNDP and Cassa Depositi e Prestiti (CDP), the Italian National Promotional Institution and Financial Institution for International Development Cooperation, have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to strengthen collaboration on sustainable finance, climate action, and energy transition initiatives. It has been emphasized that the agreement represented a significant advancement in addressing global challenges such as climate change and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Source:

https://www.undp.org/press-releases/un-development-programme-and-cassa-depositi-e-prestiti-partner-advance-sustainable-finance-and-climate-action

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC)

- On 10.09.2024, on the website of the UN Committee on the Rights of the Child (CRC), a post was shared announcing that a panel will be held on September 12, 2024, to commemorate the 10th anniversary of the entry into force of the Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child.

Source:

https://twitter.com/UNChildRights1/status/183355136560982 0372 (Access Date: 26.09.2024) - On 19.09.2024, on the website of CRC, findings regarding Israel was published. In that regard, the Committee expressed serious concern over the high number of children killed, injured, or exposed to hunger and illness in Gaza. It called for an immediate end to violence against Palestinian children and emphasized the need to ensure access to safe humanitarian aid. Additionally, the Committee raised concerns about the arbitrary detention and arrest of Palestinian children by Israeli forces, stating that these practices must cease.

Source:

https://www.ohchr.org/en/press-releases/2024/09/un-child-rights-committee-publishes-findings-argentina-armenia-bahrain (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Global Alliance of National Human Rights Institutions (GANHRI)

- On 20.09.2024, according to the news on the website of GANHRI, ahead of the Summit of the Future, GANHRI urged governments to reaffirm their commitments to the Sustainable Development Goals and the United Nations Charter and to support a reinvigorated multilateral system focused on improving people's lives. Also, the statement of GANHRI was shared. GANHRI said in the statement; "As a global community, we face numerous complex and connected threats: the destructive impacts of climate change; war and conflict; growing socio-economic disparity; political polarisation; the unknown in emerging technologies; and a decline in civic space and the rule of law," It was also added that; "Urgent and collective solutions, which uphold human rights, are essential".

	https://ganhri.org/nhris-urge-human-rights-multilateralism-to-underpin-pact-for-the-future/ (Access Date: 25.09.2024)
European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT)	 On 17.09.2024, according to the news on the website of CPT, the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment (CPT) carried out a periodic visit to Bosnia and Herzegovina from 2 to 13 September 2024. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-antitorture-committee-cpt-carries-out-a-visit-to-bosnia-and-herzegovina (Access Date: 26.09.2024)
	- On 24.09.2024, according to the news on the website of CPT, CPT carried out an ad hoc visit to Bulgaria from 16 to 23 September 2024. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-visits-bulgaria-to-assess-the-situation-of-foreign-nationals-detained-under-aliens-legislation (Access Date: 26.09.2024)
	 On 26.09.2024, according to the news on the website of CPT, CPT published its report on its periodic visit to Estonia from 29 May to 8 June 2023, together with the Estonian authorities' response. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/cpt/-/council-of-europe-anti-torture-committee-cpt-publishes-report-on-its-2023-periodic-

visit-to-estonia (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA)

 On 11.09.2024, on the website of European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), it was announced that FRA experts would exchange views with Human Dimension experts from the EU Delegation to the International Organizations in Vienna and EU Member States Permanent Representations to the OSCE on its engagement with civic space, including human rights defenders; equality, non-discrimination and racism.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/fra-exchanges-viewshuman-dimension-advisors-eu-delegation-and-eu-memberstates (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 19.09.2024, on the website of FRA, a publication entitled "Monitoring fundamental rights during screening and the asylum border procedure – A guide on national independent mechanisms" which would assist EU Member States in setting up or designating national independent mechanisms to monitor compliance with fundamental rights during screening of non-EU country nationals and when examining asylum claims in border procedures, was shared.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/publication/2024/border-rights-monitoring (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 20.09.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would be a part of an awareness training session on the implementation of the EU's Fundamental Rights Charter, and introduce the EU Charter and its implications for EU legislators to Counsellors in the Permanent Representations and staff from the General Secretariat of the Council of the EU.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/fundamental-rightscharter-awareness-raising-session (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 20.09.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would take part in the UN Summit for the Future Action Days side event on empowering the future, making social rights of youth real, organized by the Council of Europe in New York.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/fra-joins-un-summit-future-action-days (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 23.09.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would join two panel sessions on equality data and structural/institutional racism within the General Conference of the European Coalition of Cities against Racism (ECCAR), in Heidelberg.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/european-coalition-cities-against-racism-general-conference (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 25.09.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would deliver a keynote speech at a symposium organized by the Austrian Parliament to mark the adoption of the new EU Directives on standards for equality bodies.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/austrian-parliamentsymposium-role-equality-bodies-creating-open-and-inclusivesociety (Access Date: 26.09.2024) - On 26.09.2024, on the website of FRA, it was announced that FRA would take part in the conference on "Fundamental rights in the age of AI" organized by the Hungarian Presidency of the Council of the EU in Budapest.

Source:

https://fra.europa.eu/en/event/2024/presidency-conference-looks-fundamental-rights-and-ai (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

European Network of National Human Rights Institutions (ENNHRI)

On 20.09.2024, on the website of ENNHRI, a report was published examining the role of new technologies in asylum, migration, and border management, as well as their potential impacts on the human rights of migrants. The report also addressed the role of national human rights institutions in this context.

Source:

https://ennhri.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/09/Technologies-migration-and-human-rights-the-role-of-European-NHRIs-an-ENNHRI-scoping-paper.pdf (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 26.09.2024, on ENNHRI's LinkedIn account a post was shared noting the meeting of the ENNHRI Artificial Intelligence Working Group. The post emphasized the critical role of National Human Rights Institutions (NHRIs) in the protection of human rights and highlighted the need for strong public cooperation to ensure the implementation of the European Union's Artificial Intelligence Act and the Council of Europe's Artificial Intelligence Convention.

Source:

https://www.linkedin.com/company/ennhri/posts/

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

European Network of Equality Bodies (EQUINET)	- On 18.09.2024, on the Twitter account of EQUINET, a post was shared indicating that a workshop on Equality Bodies was held on September 17, 2024. The post noted that the workshop discussed the need to increase resource allocation to effectively support equality bodies. Source: https://twitter.com/equineteurope/status/18364006677007200 67 (Access Date: 26.09.2024)
Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law of Council of Europe	- On 05.09.2024, on the website of the Directorate General, it was announced that the Council of Europe Framework Convention on artificial intelligence and human rights, democracy, and the rule of law was opened for signature during a conference of Council of Europe Ministers of Justice in Vilnius. Source: https://www.coe.int/en/web/portal/-/council-of-europe-opens-first-ever-global-treaty-on-ai-for-signature (Access Date: 25.09.2024)
	- On 11.09.2024, on the website of the Directorate General, it was announced that the Council of Europe Directorate General of Human Rights and Rule of Law Clare Ovey contributed to the international high-level expert conference "United for Justice: Accountability for Attacks Against Civilian Objects", held in Kyiv, Ukraine. Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/kyiv/-/council-of-europecontributed-to-the-high-level-united-for-justice-conferencein-ukraine-focus-on-accountability-for-the-attacks-againstcivilian-objects-11-september-2024 (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

On 18.09.2024, on the Twitter account of the Directorate General, it was announced that new Council of Europe guidelines on safeguarding privacy and personal data during voter registration and authentication, which seek to uphold individuals' privacy rights while promoting free and fair elections, were shared with the public.

Source:

https://x.com/CoE_RuleofLaw/status/1836345872298226160
(Access Date: 25.09.2024)

- On 25.09.2024, on the website of the Directorate General, it was announced that, the Ad Hoc Multidisciplinary Group on Environment (GME), which was established by the Committee of Ministers to develop a Council of Europe Strategy on the Environment, would hold its first meeting in Strasbourg.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/human-rights-rule-of-law/-/first-meeting-of-the-new-council-of-europe-environment-governmental-committee (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR)

 On 05.09.2024, on the website of OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights (ODIHR), a press release was shared. According to the release, ODIHR published a report on Bulgaria's electoral process. It was stated that the report outlined observations from the recent elections, highlighting the overall competitiveness and fairness of the process. In the report, it was noted that voters were able to express their preferences freely, although some challenges were identified, such as issues related to campaign financing and media access. ODIHR emphasized the importance of ongoing reforms to enhance the electoral framework and ensure greater transparency and accountability in future elections. It was stated that the report aimed to support Bulgaria in strengthening its democratic processes.

Source:

https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/bulgaria/575716

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 12.09.2024, on the website of OSCE Office, a press release was shared. According to the release; ODIHR opened an election observation mission for the 26 October parliamentary elections in Georgia, following an official invitation from the national authorities. It was also stated in the release that; observers would closely monitor all key aspects of the elections, including developments before and after election day. It was stated that specific areas of focus included the implementation of the legal framework, the conduct of the campaign both offline and online, as well as the work of the election administration at all levels, the resolution of election disputes, and media coverage and that they would also assess the implementation of previous **ODIHR** election recommendations.

Source:

https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/575925

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 12.09.2024, on the website of OSCE Office, a news story was shared. According to the news story, the OSCE's Office of the Special Representative and Co-ordinator for Combating Trafficking in Human Beings (CTHB) and ODIHR launched a new publication addressing the heightened vulnerability of minority groups to human trafficking.

Source:

https://www.osce.org/odihr/575952 (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 13.09.2024, on the website of OSCE Office, a press release was shared. According to the release; ODIHR opened an election observation mission for the 20 October presidential election and constitutional referendum in Moldova, following an invitation from the national authorities. It was also stated in the release that; observers would closely monitor all key aspects of the elections, including developments before and after election day. Specific areas of focus included the implementation of the legal framework, the conduct of the campaign both offline and online, as well as the work of the election administration at all levels, the resolution of election disputes, and media coverage and that they would also assess the implementation previous ODIHR election of recommendations.

Source:

https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/576051

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 13.09.2024, on the website of OSCE Office, a press release was shared. It was stated in the release that principles of inclusivity and respect for human rights and the rule of law on which our democracies are based can help us find a way forward in times of polarization and conflict to strengthen our freedom and our security. It was also emphasized in the release that; ODIHR would continue to work throughout the OSCE region to ensure all states uphold their commitments to democracy and human rights.

Source:

https://www.osce.org/odihr/575994 (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 17.09.2024, on the website of OSCE Office, a news story was shared. According to the news story; election experts from ODIHR presented the findings and recommendations of Poland's 2023 parliamentary elections final report in Warsaw this week to Polish government officials, representatives of the election administration, both houses of the Polish Parliament and the Ombudsperson's office.

Source:

https://www.osce.org/odihr/elections/poland/576387

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

Australian Human Rights Commission

On 02.09.2024, a statement was shared on the Commission's website about the tragic start to National Child Protection Week. It was emphasized by National Children's Commissioner Anne Hollonds in the statement that children and child welfare, unlike other important issues such as women and their safety, were not a priority for National Cabinet, and that given the ongoing crises in child protection and juvenile justice systems across Australia, leaders need to be asked 'why?'.

Source:

https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/tragic-start-national-child-protection-week

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 12.09.2024, on the Commission's website, a statement from the National Children's Commissioner, Anne Hollonds, welcoming the establishment of the Federal Senate Inquiry into Australia's juvenile justice system, saying it came at a critical time to prevent further systemic failures that harm children and young people, was published.

Source:

https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/childrenscommissioner-welcomes-senate-inquiry-child-justice

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 20.09.2024, on the Commission's website, a statement by the Sex Discrimination Commissioner, Dr. Anna Cody, welcoming the Australian Parliament's decision to pass legislation that will prevent the courts from ordering applicants to pay the respondent's costs in Federal Court discrimination cases, was published.

Source:

https://humanrights.gov.au/about/news/media-releases/sexdiscrimination-commissioner-welcomes-finalrecommendation-being (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Equality and Human Rights Commission of Great Britain (EHRC)

 On 04.09.2024, on the Commission's website, it was reported that the Commission had published new guidance to help employers understand their legal obligations and the practical steps they can take to best support employees with disabilities through hybrid working.

https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/equality-watchdogpublishes-new-guidance-employers-supporting-disabled-staffhybrid-working (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 04.09.2024, on the Commission's website, it was reported that the Commission had published new guidance to help the public sector embed equality considerations in their policies, including decisions to commission and/or use artificial intelligence (AI) technologies.

Source:

https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/new-guidance-ai-and-equality-available-public-sector-bodies

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 12.09.2024, on the Commission's website, it was announced that the Commission's annual report for 2023-24 has been published. According to that, the report included the forewords of the Chairman of the Board and the Chief Executive Officer for the previous year, a performance summary and examples of some of the impacts provided by the Commission, information on accountability and corporate governance, information on wages and personnel.

Source:

https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/mediacentre/news/ehrc-publishes-annual-report-and-accounts-2023-24 (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 25.09.2024, on its social media account, the Commission posted a statement explaining what higher education providers

should do to comply with disability equality law following the decision in the University of Bristol v. Abrahart case.

Source:

https://x.com/EHRC/status/1838941958984667137

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Danish Institute for Human Rights

- On 04.09.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that the Institute, together with the Greenland Council for Human Rights, launched a digital teaching tools to raise awareness of human rights among public officials, civil society organizations and students in Greenland.

Source:

https://menneskeret.dk/nyheder/digital-laeringsplatformmenneskerettigheder-groenland-udkommer-dag

(Access Date: 25.09.2024)

- On 10.09.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that the Institute published its Annual International Report 2023, which focused on importance of collaboration on human rights for paveing the way for justice and rebuilding in times of war and conflict, tackling the climate crisis, providing answers to the declining rule of law, guiding responsible business practices, and educateing future generations.

Source:

https://www.humanrights.dk/news/collaborating-human-rights-progress-times-crisis (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

- On 16.09.2024, on the website of the Institute, a publication entitled "Transposition of the Corporate Sustainability Due

Diligence Directive: A practical guide for National Human Rights Institutions" was shared.

Source:

https://www.humanrights.dk/publications/transpositioncorporate-sustainability-due-diligence-directive-practicalguide-0 (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

On 17.09.2024, on the website of the Institute, it was announced that the Toolkit on National Action Plan on Business and Human Rights, previously developed by he Danish Institute for Human Rights to provide practical guidance, has been updated to include recent real-life good practice examples and innovative approaches.

Source:

https://www.humanrights.dk/news/updated-toolkit-supportstates-develop-implement-national-action-plans-businesshuman-rights (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

- On 18.09.2024, on the website of the Institute, a publication entitled "Case studies: Access to remedy in the context of corporate transboundary human rights impact in the ASEAN region" was shared.

Source:

https://www.humanrights.dk/publications/case-studies-access-remedy-context-corporate-transboundary-human-rights-impact-asean (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

German Institute for Human Rights

- On 03.09.2024, a statement regarding current discussions on the tightening of immigration and security laws was made on the Institute's website. It was stated in the statement that tightening immigration and security laws would not prevent radicalization and terrorist attacks, but instead carry the risk of disproportionate restrictions on fundamental and human rights, and that people living in a state of illegality in Germany should receive the protection they deserve under the Constitution, the Geneva Refugee Convention and the European Convention on Human Rights. It was also emphasized that preventive measures should be strengthened in order to create greater security in the long term.

Source:

https://www.institut-fuermenschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/nach-solingen-mehrpraevention-und-einhaltung-menschenrechtlicher-

verpflichtungen-noetig (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 04.09.2024, a statement stating that Directive (EU) 2024/1712, amending Directive (EU) 2011/36 on preventing and combating trafficking in human beings and protecting its victims, entered into force on 14 July 2024, that the new directive not only complements the existing regulations but also takes into account new challenges in the fight against trafficking in human beings, such as the increasing use of modern online communication, and that member states have until 15 July 2026 to implement the new regulations into their national laws was shared on the Institute's website

Source:

https://www.institut-fuer-

menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/neue-massnahmen-gegenmenschenhandel-die-ueberarbeitete-eu-richtlinie

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 20.09.2024, the Institute's website shared the news that the Institute's UN Convention on the Rights of the Child monitoring body published its second report within the scope of monitoring children's and youth rights in Hessen from 2023 to 2024.

Source:

https://www.institut-fuer-

menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/beteiligungsrechtemonitoring-stelle-fordert-engagement-der-hessischen-

landesregierung (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 25.09.2024, the Institute's website shared the statement made by Beate Rudolf, Director of the Institute, regarding the ongoing discussions on tightening immigration and security laws in Germany. In her statement, Rudolf stated that anyone who gives the impression that turning away people seeking protection would lead to increased security in Germany is putting Germany's democratic culture at risk. Rudolf also stated that the tightening of immigration and security laws, which is the subject of discussion, creates a permanent pressure on social coexistence and risks disproportionately restricting fundamental and human rights.

Source:

https://www.institut-fuer-

menschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/menschenrechtsinstitutmahnt-zur-besonnenheit-in-asyldebatte

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 26.09.2024, on the Institute's website, the news was shared that the Council of Europe's Expert Group on Combating Human Trafficking (GRETA) published its updated

assessment report on Germany in June.

Source:

https://www.institut-fuermenschenrechte.de/aktuelles/detail/greta-lob-undempfehlungen-fuer-deutschland (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Public Defender (Ombudsman) of Georgia

- On 02.09.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that on August 27, 2024, the President of Georgia announced parliamentary elections for October 26. It was stated that this election would be the first to utilize a fully proportional system and electronic voting, allowing nearly 90% of voters to participate electronically. The media's vital role in monitoring the electoral process and addressing hate speech was also highlighted. It was underlined that preventing hate speech is essential for maintaining electoral integrity and fostering constructive political discourse.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelisa-da-tsentraluri-saarchevno-komisiis-ertoblivi-gantskhadeba-diskriminatsiisa-da-sidzulvilis-enisgan-tavisufali-saarchevno-garemos-uzrunvelqofad

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 02.09.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that the Public Defender of Georgia proposed to the Minister of Justice measures to prevent the discriminatory use of personal data for individuals employed by organizations required to register as carrying out the interests of foreign forces. The Public Defender criticized Order No. 1019, issued on August 1, 2024, which mandates the public disclosure of personal data (such as names, personal numbers, and bank account details) of these employees in financial declarations.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/zogaditsinadadeba-diskriminatsiis-tavidan-atsilebisa-da-mistsinaaghmdeg-brdzolis-sakitkhze (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 04.09.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that the Public Defender of Georgia, with support from the US Agency for International Development (USAID), released a report titled Sexual Harassment in Public Spaces. This report analyzes court decisions regarding sexual harassment cases in public spaces across Georgia from May 3, 2019, to January 20, 2023.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/kvleva-seksualuri-shevitsroeba-sajaro-sivrtseshi

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

On 06.09.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that Public Defender Levan Ioseliani and First Deputy Public Defender Tamar Gvaramadze, on an official visit to Washington, held meetings with Stephen B. Nix, Senior Director for Eurasia at the International Republican Institute, and Holly Donaldson, Program Director at the National Democratic Institute.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakhalkho-damtsvelma-vashingtonshi-samushao-shekhvedrebi-gamarta (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

- On 13.09.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that on June 27, 2024, the Parliament of Georgia

adopted a resolution concerning the Public Defender's 2023 Report on the Situation of Human Rights and Freedoms.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/sakartvelosparlamentis-dadgenileba-sakhalkho-damtsvelis-2023-tslissaparlamento-angarishtan-dakavshirebit

(Access Date: 23.09.2024)

- On 13.09.2024, on the website of Public Defender, it was announced that Public Defender of Georgia Levan Ioseliani attended a conference organized by the Special Investigation Service to address issues related to combating pedophilia and ensuring children's safety. It was stated that in the conference, it was introduced a new initiative for a registry and monitoring mechanism for individuals convicted of pedophilia and sexual extortion, aimed at protecting the rights of victims.

Source:

https://www.ombudsman.ge/eng/akhali-ambebi/pedofiliasa-da-seksualuri-gamodzalvistvis-msjavrdebul-pirta-reestrisa-da-monitoringis-mekanizmi (Access Date: 23.09.2024)

The Irish Human Rights and Equality Commission (IHREC)

On 18.09.2024, on the Commission's website, the news was shared that the Third National Report on Combating Human Trafficking was published by the Commission as Ireland's National Rapporteur on Human Trafficking. The news included the statements of the Irish Commissioner for Human Rights and Equality, Noeline Blackwell, that human trafficking is a terrible crime and that human trafficking for sexual exploitation is the most common form of human trafficking in Ireland. The news also shared the Commissioner's emphasized that they had a political and moral responsibility to ensure that new legislation fulfils its potential to defend, protect and

support victims and survivors of human trafficking, which occurs in many towns and villages in Ireland. The news also included the Commission's warning that the new legislation will only be effective if the appropriate funding, action and guidelines are in place.

Source:

https://www.ihrec.ie/crucial-work-remains-if-national-referral-mechanism-is-to-deliver-full-potential/

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 18.09.2024, on the Commission's website, a statement saying that the Commission welcomed the Government's recommendation of Liam Herrick to become Chief Commissioner, was published. In the statement, it was stated that Herrick was a former member of the Commission and had demonstrated his commitment, leadership and expertise in the areas of human rights and equality over many years.

Source:

https://www.ihrec.ie/irish-human-rights-and-equality-commission-welcomes-government-recommendation-of-liam-herrick-for-chief-commissioner/ (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 23.09.2024, on the Commission's website, a statement was contained that the Commission welcomed the decision of the Workplace Relations Commission (WRC) in favor of a man who was discriminated against by being refused service in a supermarket on the grounds that he was a member of the Traveler/Roma Community. The Commission provided legal representation in the case.

	https://www.ihrec.ie/commission-welcomes-wrc-ruling-
	against-supermarket-in-roma-discrimination-case/
	(Access Date: 26.09.2024)
	- On 25.09.2024, on its website, the Commission announced that
	a total of €350,000 would be provided as funding for projects
	to 24 organizations under the 2024-25 Human Rights and
	Equality Grant Scheme.
	Source:
	https://www.ihrec.ie/human-rights-and-equality-grants-2024-
	25-announced/ (Access Date: 26.09.2024)
The Independent	- On 03.09.2024, on the website of the Commission, the
Commission for	Independent Palestinian Commission for Human Rights
Human Rights of	(ICHR) issued a statement strongly condemning the Israeli
Palestine	military's raid on Birzeit University's campus on the evening
(ICHR)	of September 2, 2024.
	Source:
	https://www.ichr.ps/en/statements/10949.html
	(Access Date: 26.09.2024)
Organization of	- On 08.09.2024, on the Commission's website, it was
Islamic	emphasized that the critical role of literacy as a human rights
Cooperation	imperative that promotes dignity, equality, and sustainable
(OIC)-	development. The Commission highlighted that literacy is
Independent	essential for exercising all human rights and called on States to
Permanent	eradicate illiteracy and ensure education is accessible to all,
Human Rights	particularly marginalized groups. The statement underscored
Commission	the growing importance of digital literacy in the modern world,

(IPHRC)

enabling individuals to participate fully in society and the

digital economy. It noted that AI-powered educational platforms could help bridge literacy gaps, but emphasized the need to address the digital divide to avoid leaving marginalized communities behind. The Commission expressed concern over the destruction of educational infrastructure in Gaza by Israeli forces since October 7, 2023, which has left 625,000 schoolaged children without access to education. It reiterated that achieving literacy for peace and solidarity is unattainable without halting the violence against Palestinians. The Commission urged the international community to prioritize inclusive education policies, integrate digital literacy into curricula, and enhance global cooperation to address literacy challenges, especially in conflict-affected regions.

Source:

https://www.oic-iphrc.org/home/article/577

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA)

On 04.09.2024, on the website of United Nations Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs (OCHA), it was reported that OCHA had urged the UN Security Council to take action to alleviate the suffering of civilians in Gaza and the West Bank. It was also highlighted that the urgent humanitarian needs resulting from ongoing violence and conflict, calling for immediate support to protect vulnerable populations and ensure access to essential services. The OCHA emphasized the need for a ceasefire and long-term solutions to address the humanitarian crisis.

Source:

https://www.unocha.org/news/ocha-calls-security-council-end-suffering-gaza-west-bank (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 10.09.2024, on the website of the OCHA, it was noted that UN Humanitarian Coordinator condemned the incident in Gaza where a humanitarian convoy was attacked, resulting in injuries to aid workers. It was also stressed that such actions hinder the delivery of critical assistance to civilians in need and called for accountability. The Coordinator emphasized the necessity of ensuring the safety of humanitarian operations and the protection of those providing aid in conflict zones.

Source:

https://www.unocha.org/news/humanitarian-coordinator-condemns-un-convoy-incident-gaza

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 12.09.2024, on the website of OCHA, it was noted that the UN Relief Chief (Acting Under-Secretary-General for Humanitarian Affairs and Emergency Relief Coordinator) urged the Security Council to take urgent action as the humanitarian crisis in Yemen continues to worsen. He highlighted the severe impact of ongoing conflict and economic collapse, which has left millions in desperate need of assistance. The Relief Chief called for increased support and a renewed commitment to peace efforts, emphasizing that immediate measures are necessary to alleviate suffering and address the dire conditions faced by Yemeni civilians.

Source:

https://www.unocha.org/news/un-relief-chief-urges-security-council-act-yemen-crisis-deepens (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 23.09.2024, on the OCHA website, a statement was featured from the principals of the Inter-Agency Standing Committee regarding the deteriorating humanitarian situation in the occupied Palestinian territory. The statement called for

urgent action to protect civilians and ensure access to essential services. It emphasized the need for a coordinated humanitarian response and adherence to international humanitarian law. The principals highlighted the growing needs of vulnerable populations and stressed the importance of increased funding and international support to alleviate the suffering in the region.

Source:

https://www.unocha.org/news/statement-principals-interagency-standing-committee-situation-occupied-palestinian-territory (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 25.09.2024, the OCHA website reported that the global community urged action in response to the escalating crisis in Sudan during the UN General Assembly. The statement highlighted the urgent need for humanitarian assistance, as millions faced displacement and food insecurity. It called for a unified international response to address the growing humanitarian needs and emphasized the importance of protecting civilians amidst the ongoing conflict. The report stressed that timely intervention was crucial to alleviate suffering and restore stability in the region.

Source:

https://www.unocha.org/news/global-community-urge-action-escalating-sudan-crisis-un-general-assembly

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Qatar National Human Rights Committee (NHRC)

On 11.09.2024, on the Committee's website, it was reported the National Human Rights Committee concluded the Third National Human Rights Forum under the theme "Protecting Children's Rights in a Safe Digital Environment: Challenges and Opportunities for Empowerment and Protection" on 10-

11 September 2024. The forum was held in collaboration with UNICEF and the Office of the UN Special Representative for Children and Armed Conflict, attended by more than 600 participants including officials, experts, and students from universities and schools. The Forum resulted in 11 recommendations.

Source:

https://www.nhrc-qa.org/news/mrym-alaaty-lbn-ham-fy-altasys-lbyy-rkmy-amn-latfalna-11-tosy-llmntd-alotny-althalth-lhkok-alansannhrc21ZH/page

(Access Date: 27.09.2024)

United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the near East (UNRWA)

On 08.09.2024, on the Agency's website, it was announced that
a partnership agreement was signed between UNRWA and the
Qatar Red Crescent (QRCS) to provide cash assistance of US\$
4.5 million from the Qatar Fund for Development (QFFD) to
Palestinian workers stranded in the West Bank and patients in
Gaza.

Source:

https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/news-releases/qffd-supports-unrwa-45-million-aid-palestine-refugees

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 11.09.2024, a statement was shared on the Agency's website stating that 6 UNRWA personnel lost their lives in the attack on the UNRWA school, which hosts 12,000 displaced people, the majority of whom are women and children. The statement also included information that this loss was the highest single-incident death toll among personnel. It was emphasized that the school in question had been targeted 5 times since the attacks began, and that among those who lost

their lives were the manager of the UNRWA shelter and other team members who provided assistance to the displaced.

Source:

https://www.unrwa.org/newsroom/news-releases/statementsix-unrwa-colleagues-killed-unrwa-school-hit-nuseirat

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

- On 26.09.2024 in a post shared on the Agency's social media account and it was emphasized that, according to the results of a current study, the war in Gaza will set back the education of children and youth by up to 5 years and that the war carries the risk of creating a lost generation of Palestinian youth.

Source:

https://x.com/UNRWA/status/1839189316435669058

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

OHCHR Working Group on Business and Human Rights

On 18.09.2024, a statement was published on the website of the UN Human Rights Office's Working Group on Business and Human Rights, emphasizing that states must take urgent action to stop Israel's attacks on Palestinians and end its illegal occupation. In this context, it calls for a review of diplomatic relations, non-recognition of changes in occupied territories, and support for the right of Palestinians to self-determination. Additionally, it requests the implementation of a complete arms embargo, a ban on products originating from occupied territories, and the suspension of economic relations. The statement also seeks sanctions against individuals involved in occupation and apartheid practices, calls for investigations into crimes committed, and emphasizes the need for the protection of vulnerable groups.

https://www.ohchr.org/en/statements/2024/09/un-expertswarn-international-order-knifes-edge-urge-states-comply-icjadvisory (Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights

 On 06.09.2024, on the website of the Commissioner, it was reported that the Commissioner Michael O'Flaherty's had intervened in a case concerning freedom of expression and association in Hungary.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/commissioner-o-flaherty-intervenes-in-a-case-concerning-freedom-of-expression-and-association-in-hungary

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

On 10.09.2024, on the website of the Commissioner, the speech
of Commissioner Michael O'Flaherty at the 2nd International
Conference on Migrant Smuggling, organised by the Council
of Europe European Committee on Crime Problems (CDPC) in
collaboration with the Office of the Special Representative on
Migration and Refugees, was published.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/speech-at-the-2nd-international-conference-on-migrant-smuggling

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 11.09.2024, according to the news on the website of Commissioner, Commissioner Michael O'Flaherty convened a consultation meeting with experts working on the human rights of Roma and Travellers on 9-10 September.

https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/commissioner-o-flaherty-held-a-consultation-meeting-on-the-human-rights-of-roma-and-travellers-in-the-council-of-europe-area

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 18.09.2024, on the website of the Commissioner, Michael O'Flaherty's video message to the Berlin Process Ministerial meeting on Roma integration within the EU enlargement process, was published.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/commissioner-s-video-message-to-the-berlin-process-ministerial-meeting-on-roma-integration-within-the-eu-enlargement-process

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

 On 23.09.2024, on the website of the Commissioner, it was stated that Commissioner O'Flaherty visited Poland from September 16 to 18, 2024, focusing on the situation at the Polish-Belarusian border and the human rights of refugees, asylum seekers, and migrants.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/commissioner/-/poland-needs-to-respect-its-international-human-rights-obligations-on-the-belarusian-border-says-commissioner-o-flaherty

(Access Date: 26.09.2024)

Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking in

 On 12.09.2024, according to the news on the website of Group of Experts on Action against Trafficking in Human Beings (GRETA), at the largest annual meeting of the National Antitrafficking Co-ordinators and Rapporteurs, anti-trafficking

Human Beings (GRETA)

leaders said that political will and a whole-of-society approach needed to boost the impact of anti-trafficking efforts.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/anti-human-trafficking/-/political-will-and-a-whole-of-society-approach-needed-to-boost-the-impact-of-anti-trafficking-efforts-say-anti-trafficking-leaders-at-annual-meeting (Access Date: 25.09.2024)

 On 19.09.2024, on the website of GRETA, guidance on applying the recovery and reflection period for victims of trafficking was published.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/anti-human-trafficking/-/councilof-europe-experts-give-guidance-on-applying-the-recoveryand-reflection-period-for-victims-of-trafficking

(Access Date: 25.09.2024)

- On 19.09.2024, according to the news on the website of GRETA, some 40 representatives of government departments, agencies, civil society and international organisations met in Dublin to discuss the implementation of the recommendations from the third evaluation report on Ireland by the GRETA and the related Committee of the Parties' recommendation.

Source:

https://www.coe.int/en/web/anti-human-trafficking/news/-/asset_publisher/fX6ZWufj34JY/content/round-table-discussion-on-ireland-s-progress-in-combating-human-trafficking? com_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_Asset PublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6ZWufj34JY_assetEntryId=272535191&_com_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_Asset tPublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6ZWufj34JY_redirect=http

s%3A%2F%2Fwww.coe.int%2Fen%2Fweb%2Fanti-human-trafficking%2Fnews%3Fp_p_id%3Dcom_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_AssetPublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6Z
Wufj34JY%26p_p_lifecycle%3D0%26p_p_state%3Dnormal
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web_portlet_AssetPublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6ZWufj3
4JY_cur%3D0%26p_r_p_resetCur%3Dfalse%26_com_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_AssetPublisherPortlet_INST
ANCE_fX6ZWufj34JY_assetEntryId%3D272535191%23p_c
om_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_AssetPublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6ZWufj34JY#p_com_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_AssetPublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6ZWufj34JY#p_com_liferay_asset_publisher_web_portlet_AssetPublisherPortlet_INSTANCE_fX6ZWufj34JY (Access Date: 25.09.2024)