



## **HELP for Universities**

**A valuable online resource for university educational programmes**

**Tuesday, 6 July, 11:00 – 12:15 CET**

**Location: online/Zoom**

The NNHRR [Working Group on Human Rights in the Digital Age](#) is very pleased to host an introduction to, and practical demonstration of, the Council of Europe's [HELP](#) (Human Rights Education for Legal Professionals) Programme. The HELP Programme has developed an impressive catalogue of free, online training courses covering most of the rights protected by the European Convention on Human Rights.

**Ms. Ana Medarska-Lazova**, HELP Project Officer, will give a presentation of the HELP Programme on **Tuesday, 6 July at 11:00am CET**. The presentation will include a general introduction of the HELP Programme, with particular emphasis on how the online HELP courses can be incorporated into, or used to complement, university courses on human rights. There will also be a practical demonstration of how to use the HELP platform and one of the HELP courses. Some user experiences (lecturer and student perspectives) will be shared. The session will conclude with Q&A.

This is an exclusive opportunity for NNHRR members to discover the full potential of HELP courses for enhancing university courses on human rights.

To attend, please register by sending an e-mail to [<m.pauws-huisink@uva.nl>](mailto:m.pauws-huisink@uva.nl) **before Monday, 5 July, 16:00**. Please put 'NNHRR HELP presentation' in the subject line.

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### **General description of HELP**

“The main objective of the Council of Europe Programme on **H**uman Rights **E**ducation for **L**egal **P**rofessionals (HELP) is to enhance the capacity of judges, lawyers and prosecutors, in all 47 Council of Europe member states and beyond, to apply the European human rights standards in their daily work. This is done through the HELP online courses that cover a range of human rights topics.”

“HELP’s three components are:

1. The **HELP Network** is the only European Network of national training institutions for judges, prosecutors and lawyers in the 47 CoE member States (and beyond).



2. The HELP **Human rights online courses** for self-study in the [HELP e-learning platform](#). HELP courses (initially developed in English) have the potential to be translated into national languages, adapted to the national legal orders, and tested with selected categories of legal professionals.
3. A human rights training methodology to develop HELP courses that can be later taken in two distinct formats:
  - self-study (free access in the HELP platform) or
  - **tutored in groups organised in co-operation with national training institutions or universities.**” [colour added]

Brief background information about the HELP Programme:

General overview: <https://www.coe.int/en/web/help/about-help>

Courses & methodology: <https://www.coe.int/en/web/help/courses>

To access the courses on the platform, you first have to make an individual account. The registration process is quick, simple and free. Here is a short instruction video: <https://vimeo.com/399899070>.