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ACTIVITY REPORT

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This Periodic Activity Report covers the activities of the Eastern Bars Commission for a period of 4 months, since previous report, from the meeting of Barcelona.

The active members are listed in the annex attached to the present report.

During this period, the scientific program was

1. Migration, asylum and infringement procedures against East European States for missing implementation of the Directive 2013/32/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on common procedures for granting and withdrawing international protection and Directive 2013/33/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection.

The Eastern Bars Commission has prepared a written material concerning the explanation of migration procedures and laws on basis of 1951 Geneva Convention and 1967 New York Protocol relating to the status of refugees and it has been distributed through Romanian Bars to be discussed with attorneys during the continuous professional development courses. We will attach this material, to be distributed through other Bars from other countries.

From Eastern Bar Commission members of Cluj Bar Association have been designated as experts in the ACTIONES project (Active Charter Training through Interaction Of National Experiences) a EU funded project under the coordination of the EUI Centre for Judicial Cooperation, and involving 17 partners: 7 academic institutions, a European-wide association of judges, and 9 national institutions entrusted with the task to train judges and lawyers.

The experts have worked on migration and asylum section, consumer rights and judicial cooperation. All analysed cases and their interpretation will be the basis of a manual that will be utilised in international trainings for judges that will be held in Florence, Italy.

Eastern Bar Commission has developed a program to implement juridical education in high schools across Romanian Country.

Eastern Bar Commission has promoted the CCBE initiative to send attorneys in hotspots in Greece, and we are waiting the list of candidatures from all Bars from Eastern Europe.

We plan on holding a commission meeting in Romania, Cluj-Napoca in the upcoming 2 months.

The working program proposed for the next 6 months:

2. State interference in freedom and independence of advocacy.
3. Migration, asylum and infringement procedures against East European States for missing implementation of the Directive 2013/32/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 on common procedures for granting and withdrawing international protection and Directive 2013/33/EU of the European Parliament and of the Council of 26 June 2013 laying down standards for the reception of applicants for international protection.
4. The principle of equality of arms threatened in ex-communist countries by the magistrate prosecutors statute. Professional relationship between Magistrates (Judges and prosecutors) and attorneys.