



**HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION
EUROPEAN BARS FEDERATION**

**REPORT BEFORE THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF FBE
(December 2022 - May 2023)
The Meeting with FBE Presidency, June 15, 2023**

Dear Mr President,

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I would like to present the short composition of the FBE Human Rights Commission (HRC) activities done last months (Nov. 2022-May 2023) and planned in the coming:

As Commission and its Members:

1. UKRAINE / **WAR in UKRAINE form Feb. 24, 2022** – FBE HRC permanent full support,
2. we celebrated:
 - The International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women, November 2022 and
 - the Human Rights Day, December 10, 2022 and
 - the Endangered Lawyers Day January 2023,
3. we act in the Steering Group for the year 2023 on behalf of FBE with the International Fair Trial Day and Ebru Timtik Award, June 14, 2023,
4. we participated in the Colombia Caravana Report for 2022, we act for 2023
5. we plan to organized the fourth addition (*after Poznań 2018 and Berlin 2019 and Bilbao 2022*) - FBE HRC Competition on Human Rights for young lawyers and law students, **Rotterdam, Sept. 15-16, 2023**
6. we go on with the HRC project “International Trial Observation - Turkey”, some of our representatives regularly take part in the hearings in the selected trials in Turkey,
7. we participated in several on line meetings on the persecution of lawyers in Turkey,
8. we still care on independence of Judiciary and Lawyers in : Belarus / Turkey / Ukraine / Romania / Afghanistan / Colombia and Poland,



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9. we supported all international activities on human rights, e.g. in Ukraine, in Iran, in Afghanistan, in Belarus - website reports and press statement,
10. HRC consists of 38 participants, working regularly (also “*on – line*” meetings), we had the HRC Meeting In Barcelona 2023, coming working session is planned in Amsterdam at the FBE Congress June 15, 2023.

Thank you

Yours sincerely,

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President of
Human Rights Commission
FBE