

NATIONAL AUTHORITIES AGAINST IMPUNITY PROJECT

Bridging the gap between civil society organisations and judicial authorities in the fight against impunity for core international crimes



Network for investigation and prosecution of genocide, crimes against humanity and war crimes



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WHAT ARE THE PROJECT'S OBJECTIVES?



The project aims to **contribute to criminal judicial accountability for core international crimes (CICs)** by:

- ▶ Enhancing civil society organisations (CSOs) engagement with national authorities investigating and prosecuting CICs in the EU and in non-EU countries;
- ▶ Bolstering the efforts of national authorities of non-EU countries to investigate and prosecute CICs, including by strengthening regional cooperation.

WHO CAN BENEFIT FROM THE PROJECT'S ACTIVITIES?



The activities of the National Authorities Against Impunity (IMPNA) project are intended to benefit two stakeholder groups engaged in the global fight against impunity for core international crimes (CICs):

- ▶ **Civil society organisations** that undertake efforts to document CICs and serious human rights violations with the purpose of pursuing accountability avenues at national, regional, or international level;
- ▶ **National authorities of EU and non-EU countries** who are involved in the domestic investigation and prosecution of CICs (e.g. prosecutors, law enforcement officers, judges).

The project has a **global outreach** and is not bound to a specific geographical area. Activities are tailored to the specific needs of relevant stakeholders.

HOW WILL THE PROJECT BE IMPLEMENTED?



IMPNA builds on the technical expertise and partnerships developed by **Eurojust** and the **Genocide Network** in the field of judicial cooperation on CICs, while also benefitting from their operational and administrative support.

HOW WILL THE PROJECT ACHIEVE ITS GOALS?



- ▶ By **facilitating and enhancing cooperation and exchange of information** between CSOs and national authorities investigating and prosecuting CICs in the EU and in non-EU countries;
- ▶ By **promoting the creation of specialised units and the development of technical expertise** on CICs among national investigating and prosecuting authorities in non-EU countries;
- ▶ By **fostering the creation of regional networks focusing on the investigation and prosecution of CICs** to enable close cooperation and coordination between the national authorities of non-EU countries in various regions of the world, modelled on the EU **Genocide Network**.
- ▶ By **applying a transparent methodology in line with international standards**. Specifically, project activities are designed and delivered in line with international human rights standards, and integrate a gender-sensitive perspective at all stages of the project implementation. Further, the implementation of project activities integrates a victim and survivor-centred approach and a 'do no harm' approach.
- ▶ By **coordinating closely with key stakeholders in the global fight against impunity**, such as the civil society-led consortium '**Global Initiative Against Impunity** (GIAI)', the **International Criminal Court (ICC)**, the **Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)**, **UN investigative mechanisms**, and other regional partners, to identify synergies and avoid duplication of efforts.

PROJECT INFORMATION

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