

# IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS ACTION PLAN IN THE REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA

**Description:** The project aim is to support the Parliament and the Government of Moldova in the implementation of the National Human Rights Action Plan (NHRAP) for 2004-2008 under the global HURIST programme which will contribute to the introduction of a consistent and transparent system of monitoring the human rights situation in Moldova. The project is implemented by the Parliamentary Human Rights Committee.

**Dates of implementation:** April 2004 – December 2006

**Objectives:**

- To strengthen the capacity of government institutions, local authorities and civil society organizations to implement the NHRAP;
- To achieve a high level of public awareness regarding universal human rights standards and how to implement and protect these standards.

**Benefits:**

- Training provided for 34 human rights focal points at national level and 35 at local level on human rights issues and NHRAP implementation;
- Developing and implementing five specialized human rights training programmes (penitentiary institutions, police, the National Army, NGO, journalists and social workers);
- Setting up a network of 70 human rights trainers;
- Feasibility studies on the ratification of the three human rights instruments at 3 round tables of Human Rights experts;
- Developing and implementing strategies on human rights partnerships between local public authorities and NGOs;
- Implementing Small Grants Programmes;
- Developing and piloting human rights curricula for universities.

**Public awareness:** Human Rights Communication Strategy developed and implemented (National Sociological Survey on Human Rights, yearly National Human Rights Workshops, contests and Gala for journalists and human rights NGOs, human rights video spots and audio spots etc.)



**Budget:** The budget for 2004-2005 amounts to \$US 576,580 with funding provided by UNDP (\$US 166,000), the joint UNDP/UNHCHR HURIST Global Programme "Human Rights Strengthening" (\$US 50,000), the Democratic Governance Thematic Trust Fund (\$US 70,000) and the Government of Netherlands (\$US 290,580).

**Partners:** The Parliamentary Human Rights Committee, the Coordinating Committee for the Development and Implementation of the NHRAP, human rights/NHRAP focal points at central and local public administration bodies, NGOs and mass-media, UN agencies, HURIST, the Democratic Governance Thematic Trust Fund (DGTTF), the Dutch Government.

**Noteworthy:** NHRAP implementation supports the Government of Moldova in achieving the overarching objectives as stated in Economic Growth and Poverty Reduction Strategy Paper (EGPRSP) and EU-Moldova Action Plan, adding a human rights dimension to national development. The efficient implementation of NHRAP directly contributes to the creation of favorable conditions for achieving the Millennium Development Goals by strengthening the capacities and partnerships among various stake-holders for the observance, promotion and fulfillment of human rights at the national and local level.

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