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Conference held on the situation of human rights in correctional institutions in Kosovo

In cooperation with the Institution of the Ombudsperson of Kosovo, ACDC organized a conference on May 28 dedicated to the state of human rights in correctional institutions in Kosovo. During the discussion, participants addressed the position of detained and convicted persons, accommodation conditions, access to healthcare, the rehabilitation and reintegration process, as well as the responsibility of institutions to respect fundamental human rights.

Special attention was devoted to access to medical care, communication with family members, transparency in the work of correctional institutions, and the need for continuous improvement of standards in the treatment of persons deprived of liberty. This activity was implemented within the framework of cooperation between NGO ACDC and the Institution of the Ombudsperson of Kosovo, with the support of UNMIK, with the aim of improving the protection of human rights and strengthening institutional accountability in the field of the correctional system.





Youth Camp on Property and Social Rights Successfully Held in Prizren

Within the project “Youth for Property and Social Rights,” ACDC organized a three-day youth camp in Prizren from May 8–10 for high school students, with the aim of improving knowledge on property and social rights.

Through interactive workshops and practical sessions, participants gained knowledge about property rights, inheritance, property registration, and the cadastral system, while group work helped them develop communication and teamwork skills.



NGO ACDC Organized a Three-Day Team Retreat within the Organizational Development Grant

Within the organizational development grant supported by KCSF through the EJA Kosovo program, ACDC organized a three-day team retreat in May dedicated to strengthening organizational capacities and improving internal cooperation. During the retreat, team members worked on defining future program priorities, strategic objectives, and directions for the organization’s development.



Seminar Completed within the Forum for Dialogue between the Institution of the Ombudsperson and Civil Society Organizations

Within the Forum for Dialogue between the Institution of the Ombudsperson and Civil Society Organizations, a seminar was held in Durrës from May 20 to 22, bringing together representatives of institutions, civil society organizations, and human rights experts.

The seminar provided a space for the exchange of experiences, identification of key challenges, and the definition of joint steps aimed at improving the protection and promotion of human rights in Kosovo.



Roundtable on Human Rights and the Position of Non-Majority Communities in Northern Kosovo

On May 26, a roundtable dedicated to the challenges faced by non-majority communities in northern Kosovo was held at the premises of ACDC in North Mitrovica.

Representatives of the Albanian, Roma, Gorani, and other communities, together with representatives of the Institution of the Ombudsperson, discussed access to rights, institutional representation, social inclusion, and security.



Visit of SKAT Representatives and Presentation of the “Together for Clean Rivers” Project

On May 13, ACDC hosted representatives of the SKAT Board during their visit to Kosovo and their tour of activities implemented through the IWRM-K project. During the meeting, the progress of the “Together for Clean Rivers” project, which ACDC is implementing within the IWRM-K initiative together with the organization REC, was presented. The presented activities include field research, mapping of pollution sources, cooperation with local governments, and activities aimed at raising awareness about river protection and environmental preservation.



Screening of a Documentary Film on Missing Persons

During May, BIRN Kosovo, in cooperation with ACDC, organized the premiere screening of a documentary film dedicated to the stories of missing persons from the Prizren region. The film presents powerful testimonies and personal experiences of families who continue to search for the truth about their loved ones. [More information about the film and related activities is available on the BIRN Kosovo website.](#)

Preparations for parliamentary elections

During May, ACDC began preparatory activities for the upcoming parliamentary elections through cooperation with the "Democracy in Action" (DiA) network. The activities included planning the observation of the electoral process, coordination with partner organizations, and preparations for monitoring the election process.



Statement on the use of public resources in the election campaign

ACDC, through the "Democracy in Action" network, supported a statement expressing concern about the possible misuse of public resources and budget funds for election purposes.



Responding to the new CEC regulations on election observers

ACDC supported the reaction of the "Democracy in Action" network regarding the new CEC regulations, pointing out the possible limitation of independent observation of the electoral process.



Reaction to the exclusion of students from support programs

ACDC, together with civil society organizations, reacted to the exclusion of students studying in Serbian from financial and social support programs, pointing out the unequal treatment of students.



Participation in the Week of Women debate (WoW 2026)

On May 21, Ines Aljović Mihajlović, ACDC's program officer participated in a debate in Vučitrn/Vushtrri as part of the Week of Women (WoW 2026) initiative. The discussion focused on the position of women in politics, the remaining challenges to their full participation in public life, and the importance of security, accountability, and solidarity in achieving equal opportunities.



- Dušan Radaković, Executive Director of ACDC, commented on the political and security situation in Kosovo ahead of the parliamentary elections for RTS.
- Dušan Radaković spoke to Kosovo Online about the Central Election Commission's decision to deny accreditation to certain election observers, emphasizing the importance of protecting the integrity and transparency of the electoral process.
- Aleksandar Rapajić, ACDC Program Director, commented for Kosovo Online on political developments after the parliamentary elections, relations between political parties, and possible scenarios for the formation of new institutions.
- Stefan Kalaba, project associate, on the revitalization of the Gračanka River within the project implemented by the CSD Kosovo organization through the IWRM-K water management program.

