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SUBMISSION OF THE COMMENTS OF ASSEDEL ON THE VENICE COMMISSION'S OPINION ON THE AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL ELECTION ACT OF GERMANY



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ASSEDEL'S COMMENTS ON THE VENICE COMMISSION'S GERMANY JOINT OPINION REPORT ON AMENDMENTS TO THE FEDERAL ELECTION ACT

FEBRUARY 7, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a commentary on the recent amendments to Germany's electoral law, adopted on June 14, 2023.

In response to a request from the President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, ASSEDEL analyzed the conformity of the draft law with Council of Europe standards. The commentary follows discussions held in May 2023 between a joint delegation and German political groups and the Federal Ministry of the Interior. It includes a detailed assessment of the Venice Commission's opinion, drawing on international standards and German law. ASSEDEL highlights both aspects of the reform and offers additional recommendations for addressing potential challenges, ensuring a comprehensive perspective on the electoral law reform.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL TO THE COMMITTEE OF MINISTERS OF THE COUNCIL OF EUROPE.

MAY 17, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted its observations on the landmark Yuksel YALCINKAYA v. Turkey Grand Chamber judgment by the European Court of Human Rights.

These observations, intended for the Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers, address both the execution of individual measures and broader concerns regarding the abuse of anti-terrorist legislation by Turkish courts.

This judgment is part of a series of over 2,000 cases against Turkey for violations of Article 7 of the European Convention, a rarely breached provision. ASSEDEL is committed to promoting the rule of law and monitoring the implementation of this important judgment across Turkey.

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SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT OF ASSEDEL ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE ISTANBUL CONVENTION IN ITALY.



MAY 31, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report on the implementation of the Istanbul Convention in Italy, marking its 10th anniversary.

Despite initial progress, challenges remain, such as gaps in data collection, a focus on secondary and tertiary prevention rather than primary prevention, and inadequate support services for women. The report calls for improved data systems, specialized legislation for emerging forms of violence, and better support services,

including shelters and anti-violence centers. ASSEDEL urges increased efforts to ensure Italy fulfills its commitments to protecting women and combating gender-based violence.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL ON YASAK V. TÜRKİYE – ECTHR’S ENDORSEMENT OF UNFORESEEABLE CONVICTION FOR LEGAL ACTS.

OCTOBER 30, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report analyzing the European Court of Human Rights' judgment in Yasak v. Türkiye, delivered on 27 August 2024.

The case involved the conviction of Şaban Yasak for alleged membership in the Gülen Movement. Despite the limited nature of Yasak's involvement, the Court deemed his conviction foreseeable, neglecting critical issues in the domestic proceedings, including procedural irregularities and factual discrepancies. ASSEDEL argues that the judgment fails to properly examine Yasak's right to a fair trial and departs from prior case law, notably the Yalçinkaya judgment. The report calls for reconsideration of the decision, highlighting the risks it poses to the freedoms of religious and social groups.

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INITIAL OBSERVATIONS ON THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TELEK AND OTHERS V. TURKEY



In line with Rule 9.2 of the Committee of Ministers, ASSEDEL provides this communication regarding the implementation of the European Court of Human Rights (ECtHR) judgement in *Telek and Others v. Turkey*. This report offers updates and critical insights into both individual and general measures reported by the Turkish Government concerning the execution of this judgment.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL TO THE VENICE COMMISSION CONCERNING THE ONGOING OPINION ON LAW NO. 6087: "LAW ON THE COUNCIL OF JUDGES AND PROSECUTORS."

NOVEMBER 19, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report detailing the recent amendments to Turkey's Law No. 6087, the Law on the Council of Judges and Prosecutors, which enhance state control over the judiciary, undermining the impartiality of judges and prosecutors.

The submission highlights the evolving relationship between the Turkish state and judiciary, particularly since the 2017 referendum that shifted Turkey to a presidential system. The amendments exacerbate the centralization of power, with the Minister of Justice holding significant influence within the Council, which oversees the appointment, transfer, and discipline of judges. ASSEDEL calls for a thorough evaluation of these changes, urging the Venice Commission to assess not only the legal framework but also the growing state influence that threatens judicial independence.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL ON THE PROPOSAL FOR A DIRECTIVE ON COMBATING THE SEXUAL ABUSE AND SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN AND CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE MATERIAL.



NOVEMBER 18, 2024

ASSEDEL has reviewed the proposed Directive on combating child sexual abuse and exploitation, which aims to enhance prevention, prosecution, and victim support, while addressing new technological challenges.

The submission welcomes improvements such as cross-border cooperation but suggests clarifications in certain articles to avoid misinterpretations. ASSEDEL also raises concerns about the lack of provisions on pedophilic disorder and treatment, as well as data protection and financial implications. The report emphasizes the importance of aligning the directive with human rights values, with special focus on protecting vulnerable children.

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**TO UNITED
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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL RAPPORTEUR ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS.

FEBRUARY 3, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report on violence against women in the sex trade in France, addressing three key issues.

First, it examines the link between the sex trade and human rights violations, focusing on the violence women experience. Second, the report evaluates the effectiveness of exit programs aimed at helping individuals leave the sex trade.

Finally, it critiques the shortcomings of the legal and political frameworks, urging stronger political commitment to ensure the proper implementation of existing laws.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL ON THE APPLICATION OF THE CONVENTION AGAINST TORTURE AND OTHER CRUEL, INHUMAN, OR DEGRADING TREATMENT OR PUNISHMENT IN BELGIUM.



FEBRUARY 7, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report to the United Nations Committee against Torture regarding several concerning human rights violations in Belgium, specifically in relation to the application of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment.

The report highlights issues related to police violence, detention conditions, non-refoulement, and the conditions surrounding expulsions, extraditions, and repatriations, with multiple civil society actors in Belgium raising alarms about potential violations of Articles 1, 3, and 6 of the Convention.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL ON DISCRIMINATION AGAINST LGBTI PEOPLE IN THE CONTEXT OF BUSINESS ACTIVITIES – CONTRIBUTION TO THE UN CALL FOR INPUT.

MARCH 4, 2024

ASSEDEL's report, authored by the Working Group on LGBTI Rights, highlights the challenges LGBTI individuals face in the workplace and business activities. Despite progress in anti-discrimination laws,

LGBTI individuals still encounter discrimination, limited career advancement, and hostile work environments, which negatively affect their well-being. The report emphasizes the need for inclusive non-discrimination policies, diversity initiatives, and equal representation in business and media.

It calls for a ban on employment discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity and advocates for promoting LGBTI-friendly work policies and media representation.

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SUBMISSION OF THE OBSERVATIONS OF ASSEDEL ON EDUCATION AND CLIMATE – RESPONSE TO THE CALL FOR CONTRIBUTIONS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR HUMAN RIGHTS.



MARCH 4, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report in response to the Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights' call for observations on the link between climate change and girls' access to education.

The report highlights how climate change disproportionately affects girls' right to education, while also emphasizing that girls should not be seen only as victims. It outlines the direct and indirect barriers caused by climate change, including natural disasters and exacerbated existing challenges. Additionally, the report underscores the importance of empowering girls through education to actively participate in addressing climate issues. The report is based on field studies and accounts from NGOs like Plan International, as well as UN and Member State project reports.

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SUBMISSION OF ASSEDEL ON ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

APRIL 8, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report in response to the Special Rapporteur's call on artificial intelligence and racial discrimination.

The report highlights how AI tools can lead to discriminatory practices, particularly against racial and ethnic minorities, due to shortcomings in the current European legal framework. It emphasizes issues with transparency,

The use of "black boxes," and the negative impact on human rights, such as health and freedom of movement. The report concludes with recommendations for ensuring fairer human rights realization in AI usage, based on legal sources, studies, and surveys from various institutions and NGOs.

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SUBMISSION OF THE REPORT OF ASSEDEL TO THE UNITED NATIONS HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE FOR THE REVIEW OF FRANCE.



MAY 1, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report for the 142nd session of the United Nations Human Rights Committee, examining France under the 1966 International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights.

The report addresses concerns such as police violence, arbitrary arrests during protests, rising antisemitic and racist acts, and the mistreatment of homeless people.

These issues raise significant human rights concerns, prompting ASSEDEL to offer recommendations focusing on non-discrimination, freedom and safety, prohibition of cruel treatment, and the right to life. The report encourages France to continue its efforts to protect human rights and foster an environment that promotes democracy and safety.

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ASSEDEL SUBMITTED ITS REPORT TO THE UN COMMITTEE AGAINST TORTURE IN THE FRAME OF THE CONSIDERATION OF STATE REPORTS

MAY 17, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report to the Committee Against Torture for the 80th session, addressing concerns regarding Türkiye's compliance with the Convention Against Torture.

The report highlights three key issues: enforced disappearances and state-sponsored abductions since 15 July 2016, systemic torture in prisons, particularly of political prisoners, and the erosion of judicial independence, which hinders access to justice and remedy for torture victims.

ASSEDEL urges the Committee to consider these concerns during its review of Türkiye's State party report.

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SUBMISSION OF ASSEDEL FOR THE UN UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW OF ITALY.



JULY 6, 2024

ASSEDEL has submitted a report for Italy's Universal Periodic Review (UPR) in January 2025, focusing on refugees' and women's rights.

The report highlights severe human rights violations in Italy's Detention Centers for Repatriation (CPRs), including inadequate healthcare, restricted communication, and violations of non-refoulement principles. It also critiques mistreatment and poor mental health care in CPRs.

Regarding women's rights, the report points out gaps in data on gender-based violence, lack of long-term prevention strategies, and insufficient resources for anti-violence centers and shelters, particularly in Southern Italy.

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REPORT BY ASSEDEL ON GREECE'S SYSTEMATIC PUSHBACKS AND HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AT THE BORDERS.



September 12, 2024

ASSEDEL's report for Greece's Third Periodic Review before the United Nations Human Rights Committee highlights ongoing human rights violations at Greece's borders, particularly pushbacks of migrants and asylum seekers. Despite international recommendations, Greece continues to violate international treaties, such as the ICCPR,

1951 Refugee Convention, and ECHR, through collective expulsions, unlawful detention, and inhumane treatment. Reports from international bodies and NGOs document these violations, including violence during forced expulsions to Turkey. The report calls for stronger international oversight and enforcement to address these systematic pushback practices and ensure compliance with international law.

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REPORT BY ASSEDEL ON HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS AND THE SUPPRESSION OF EXPRESSION IN POST-COUP TÜRKİYE

SEPTEMBER 17, 2024

In its submission to the UN Human Rights Committee, ASSEDEL highlights the alarming decline of human rights in Türkiye, particularly following the 2016 coup attempt.

The government's state of emergency led to widespread crackdowns on civil liberties, including the dismissal of over 130,000 public employees, persecution of journalists and academics, and suppression of political opposition and media freedom.

The erosion of freedom of expression is a key concern, with dissenting voices being targeted through anti-terrorism laws, media shutdowns, and strict social media controls. ASSEDEL calls for urgent reforms to restore fundamental rights and prevent further erosion of democracy.

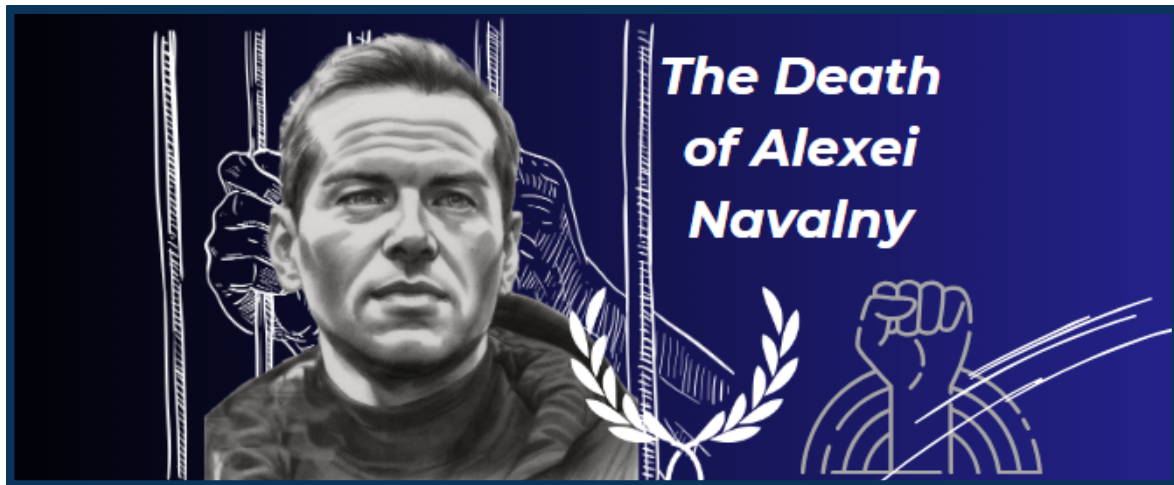
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ASSEDEL'S OPINIONS



THE DEATH OF ALEXEI NAVALNY: SYMBOL OF OPPRESSION?



MARCH 22, 2024

Following the death of Alexei Navalny, ASSEDEL's opinion lays out the imprisonment of the Russian opposition leader and his work. Alexei Navalny, a Russian lawyer and political activist, made combating corruption a major political goal. In 2007, he joined the Narod ("People") movement and led several protests against the authoritarianism of President Vladimir Putin.

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THE CONSTITUTIONALISATION OF ABORTION

APRIL 15, 2024

At a time where reproductive rights of women are actively under threat, the legislation led by Macron in France to make abortions a constitutional right passed. In this opinion, ASSEDEL welcomes the decision and underlines some key aspects regarding the legislation on human rights aspect.

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The Mazan Rape Case: A Historic Trial Against Patriarchy and Chemical Submission



SEPTEMBER 24, 2024

On Monday, September 2, 2024, the trial for the Mazan rapes opened before the Criminal Court of Vaucluse in France, scheduled to last four and a half months. In this opinion, ASSEDEL ASSEDEL expresses its full support to Gisèle Pélicot, her family, and all victims of sexual violence and chemical submission. Furthermore, alls for the notion of consent to be integrated into Article 222-23 of the French Penal Code.

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How Donald Trump's Policies Could Transform the U.S.



NOVEMBER 25, 2024

The election of Donald Trump to the presidency of the United States will likely have significant impacts across various sectors, including the environment, immigration, and reproductive rights, resulting in a lasting effect on a wide range of issues both domestically and internationally. ASSEDEL's opinion touches to crucial fields that are likely to be effected by his term such as environment and rights of LGBTQ+ people.

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ASSEDEL'S NEWS ARTICLES





STATE OF PRESS FREEDOM IN EUROPE: LAUNCH OF THE ANNUAL REPORT OF THE SAFETY OF JOURNALISTS PLATFORM

MARCH 7, 2024

To uphold the foundational principles of press freedom and democratic governance, sustained advocacy, international solidarity, and unwavering commitment from governments and civil society stakeholders are imperative. The launch of this report serves as a clarion call for action, urging stakeholders to redouble their efforts in defence of press freedom and the vital role of journalism in upholding democratic values across Europe and beyond. In this article ASSEDEL presents a deep evaluation of the annual report of the Safety of Journalists Platform.

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POLICY PAPER: THE INTEGRATION OF MIGRANTS IN FRANCE THROUGH LANGUAGE LEARNING

MAY 28, 2024

According to a survey conducted back in 2022, only 21% of the respondents think that most refugees who come to France will succeed in integration into society. The key point for integration into society is through the local language. In this news article ASSEDEL proposes several recommendations to address these concerns.

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PAUL WATSON'S ARREST: The day before the final verdict on his extradition

September 4, 2024

On July 21, 2024, Paul Watson, a major symbol in the fight against commercial whaling and founder of Sea Shepherd, an NGO dedicated to ocean conservation, was arrested by the Danish authorities during a stopover in Nuuk, the capital of Greenland. Captain Watson intended to launch Operation Kangei Maru, aiming to intercept the new Japanese whaling ship of the same name. This ASSEDEL article lays out the possible outcomes of the final verdict on Paul Watson's extradition.



Government v. Judiciary: The Clash Over the Implementation of The Italy-Albania Protocol

October 28, 2024

ASSEDEL explains the Italy- Albania Protocol and what is happening in Italy under the Meloni government, more specifically concerning immigration.

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Plenary Debate on Legislation Targeting the LGBTQ+ Community

December 4, 2024

Following the Plenary Debate at the European Parliament, our correspondence before the European Parliament wrote on the debate regarded two laws that have been passed in Bulgaria and in Hungary. Bulgaria's law limits education and discussion in schools on sexual orientations and gender identities that are deemed as 'non-traditional'. Hungary's law censors the portrayal of LGBTQ+ persons in schools, media and bookstores.

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Defending Europe's Borders or Human Rights? The Dilemma of the EU's Migration Crisis

December 18, 2024

In this news article, ASSEDEL talks about the dire situations faced by migrants at the EU's borders. The central issue remains that, while the European Union is called upon to defend its borders and security, it must not forget that the people involved in this crisis are not enemies, but victims of a larger situation beyond their control. Every security intervention must also consider respect for fundamental rights, especially the right to asylum, and ensure that injustices are not perpetuated against those who have already fled from conflict and repression.

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ASSEDEL'S EVENTS

ASSEDEL Hosted the former Head of the Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights

March 8, 2024

On March 8, ASSEDEL hosted Geneviève Mayer, former Head of the Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights, for its inaugural round table: “Challenges in the Execution of ECtHR Judgments.”

Round Table Discussion with the President of the Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe, Gerhard Ermischer

March 12, 2024

ASSEDEL hosted Gerhard Ermischer for a round table discussion on the challenges facing this unique structure that brings together NGOs and civil society associations.

Round Table Discussion with the Members of the Children's Rights Committee of the Council of Europe: Maia Mamulashvili and Maria Asensio Velasco

April, 2024

ASSEDEL hosted Maia Mamulashvili and Maria Asensio Velasco for a round table discussion on children's rights who are part of the Children's Rights Division of the Council of Europe.

Respect for human rights and French prisons: an assessment of a deteriorating and alarming situation” – Feedback from the conference organized by ASSEDEL

April 10, 2024

On April 10, 2024, at 6 pm, ASSEDEL proudly organized its first conference on respect for human rights in French prisons, at Strasbourg's "Maison des Associations". ASSEDEL was honored to welcome Matthieu Quinquis, president of the French section of the International Prison Observatory ("Observatoire International des Prisons"); Kevin Monier, assistant director of the association "Grandir Dignement", which works on the detention and reintegration of juvenile prisoners; and Marion Rochet, assistant director of the Haut-Rhin Penitentiary Integration and Probation Service ("Service pénitentiaire d'insertion et de probation du Haut-Rhin") and member of "Collectif Walden". Our guests were able to enlighten us on living conditions in French prisons and share their expertise on the subject.

Training Session with the Vice- President of the Committee of Migration of the Conference of INGOs, Daniel Guéry

May, 2024

This round table, held at our offices, aimed to learn more about Mr. Guéry's commitment and explore potential collaborations with the Migration Committee. During the discussion, Mr. Guéry highlighted the Migration Committee's key achievements, including: establishing a migration monitoring cell to react swiftly to severe and continuous human rights violations against migrants by a member state, and adopting a recommendation for a comprehensive approach to refugee and migrant rights, involving civil society. This holistic approach combats siloed efforts by addressing migration in all its complexity.

ASSEDEL participated in the Europe Day celebration

May 9, 2024

On commemorating the “Schuman Declaration”, which is celebrated as Europe Day, a fair was held at the foot of the cathedral with the participation of many associations, including ASSEDEL, which offered various activities to the public.

Queerphobia: Human rights restricted by systemic violence

May 14, 2024

On Tuesday 14th of May, ASSEDEL organized a round table on queerphobia to mark the International Day against LGBT+ phobias the 17th of May (aimed to raise awareness and provide information on the violence experienced and suffered by queer people).

ASSEDEL Hosted the Co-Secretary of the Committee on Equality and Non. Discrimination of the Parliamentary Assembly

June, 2024

Invited by ASSEDEL, Mr. Ménoret shared insights into his work within the Committee and its operational structure. He also highlighted reports he has worked on, notably those addressing gender-based violence, with a special focus on sexual violence against men and boys during conflicts.

ASSEDEL Participated in the Event 'Dialogue entre la Cour européenne des droits de l'homme et la doctrine' Organized in Partnership with the European Court of Human Rights

June 14, 2024

On Friday June 14, the ASSEDEL team participated in a conference with the judges of the European Court of Human Rights. The speakers included professors from Strasbourg, Paris, Oxford, and Italy, and judges from the ECHR.

Webinar on Migration due to Climate Change

June 20, 2024

In honor of World Refugee Day, ASSEDEL organized a webinar dedicated to migration due to climate change. It is with the kind help of our partner, Action Collective Contre la Pauvreté (ACCP), which is based in Togo, Africa that we organize this webinar, which closely inspects the links between climate change and migration in the region. The main topics of interest are defining climate migration - its causes and effects - as well as pointing out the main pattern of environmental displacement.

ASSEDEL has organized a webinar dedicated to “Migration due to Climate Change” in collaboration with ACCP (Action Collective Contre la Pauvreté).

July 4, 2024

This webinar closely inspects the links between climate change and migration in Togo, Africa. The main topics of interest are defining climate migration – its causes and effects and pointing out the main pattern of environmental displacement.

ASSEDEL organized a webinar : Insights into the UN Human Rights Council Advisory Committee: Functionality and Impact

July 24, 2024

On July 24, 2024, ASSEDEL had the pleasure to broadcast live a webinar dedicated to the “Insights into the UN Human Rights Council Advisory Committee: Functionality and Impact”. Our guest was Dr. Vassilis Tzevelekos, Vice-Chairperson of the United Nations Human Rights Council Advisory Committee and a member of the Council of Europe’s CPT. The discussion focused on the Human Rights Council Advisory Committee, covering its key functions, interactions with other UN bodies and external organizations, recent achievements or significant contributions and major challenges.

ASSEDEL Hosts Mr. Fredrik Sundberg Insights on Human Rights and the Execution of Judgments

September 19, 2024

On September 19th, ASSEDEL had the honor of hosting Fredrik Sundberg Director of the Stockholm Institute for Public and International Law. With an impressive career, Mr. Sundberg served as the Head of the Department for the Execution of Judgments of the European Court of Human Rights where he played a crucial role in overseeing intergovernmental cooperation, supervising the execution of judgments, and advising the Committee of Ministers on human rights matters. During his lecture, Mr. Sundberg provided a comprehensive overview of the European Convention on Human Rights as a “living instrument.” The focus then shifted to the challenges faced in the implementation and, most critically, the execution of the Court’s judgments.

Team ASSEDEL’s Webinar with Prof. Helene Tigroudja

October 1, 2024

On October 1st, our team had the pleasure of hosting a fruitful webinar with Prof. Helene Tigroudja, a distinguished expert in International Public Law and Human Rights. Since 2022, Prof. Tigroudja has been one of the 18 independent experts on the Human Rights Committee, which operates under the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (ICCPR). The Committee monitors the implementation of the Covenant by its State members.

Round Table “By Youth for Youth”

October 17, 2024

On Thursday, October 17th, ASSEDEL had the honor to participate in a round table on youth participation in civil society and in policy shaping. The event was hosted by the Standing Committee of the Conference of INGOs and took place in the Council of Europe.



ASSEDEL Hosts Cesare Pinelli

October 21, 2024

A member of the Venice Commission, ASSEDEL hosted Cesare Pinelli. The meeting addressed the composition and functioning of the Commission.

Educational Sessions on Migration and Human Rights at Jean Rostand High School

October 24, 2024

For its interventions, ASSEDEL discussed the following topic with the students: the Council of Europe and migration. After presenting our association and distinguishing the Council of Europe from the other two councils of the European Union, we defined migrant, explored how their rights are protected within the Council of Europe, and then presented a case study. The presentation concluded with a small quiz and gifts for the winners.



Training Session with Gerhard Ermischer

October 25, 2024

On October 25th, ASSEDEL had the privilege of hosting a training session led by Mr. Gerhard Ermischer, the current President of the Conference of INGOs. The primary contribution of this session was to provide a better understanding of the Conference of INGOs, a body of the Council of Europe that is still relatively unknown and whose role is often underestimated. This session highlighted the structure, missions, and influence of the Conference on European policies.



ASSEDEL Hosted a member of the GREVIO

December 5, 2024

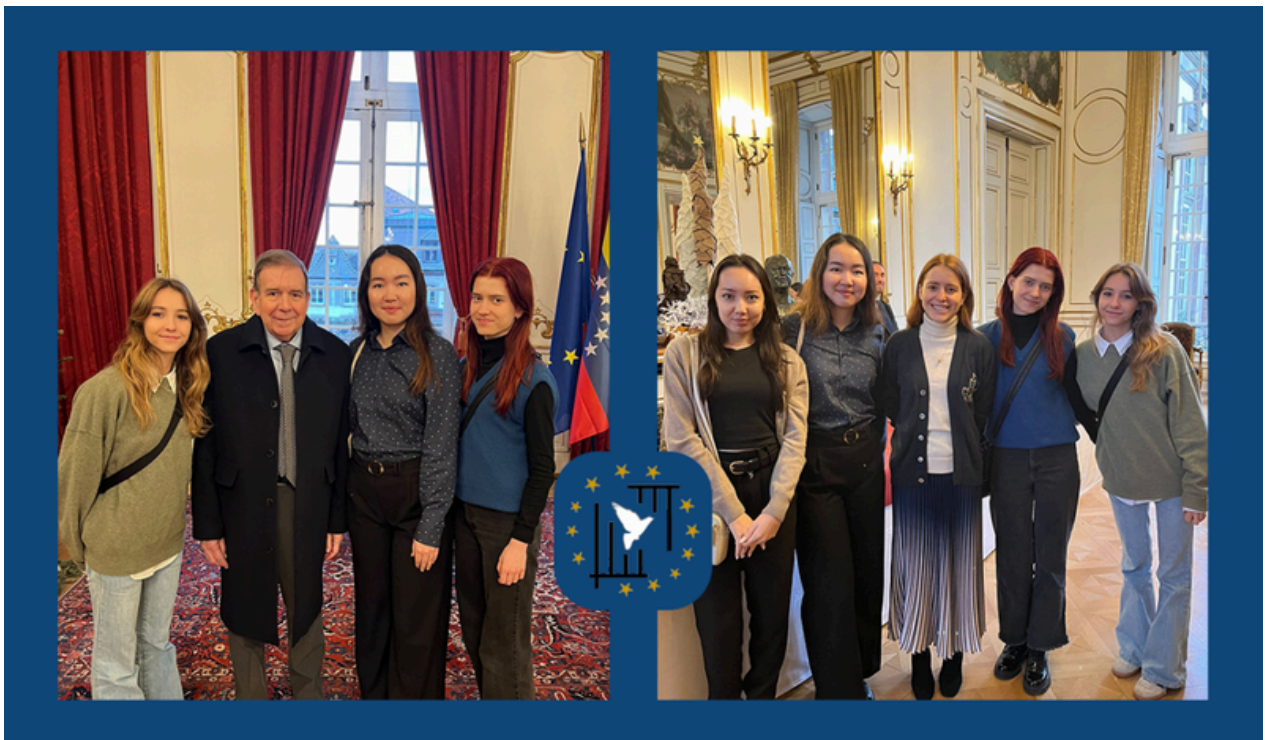
On December 5th, ASSEDEL had the privilege of welcoming Marie-Claude HOFNER, a distinguished member of GREVIO, the independent expert body responsible for monitoring the implementation of the Istanbul Convention.



ASSEDEL's Participation: Sakharov Prize Award Ceremony, Press Conference and Breakfast Event

December 19, 2024

European Parliament President Roberta Metsola awarded the Sakharov Prize, highlighting the laureates' fearless defence of justice, democracy and the rule of law. Metsola emphasized the Parliament's support for the Venezuelan people and for the country's struggle for a democratic future. ASSEDEL had the pleasure to not only follow the Sakharov Prize and its Press Release at the European Parliament, but also participate in a breakfast on December 19th organized in honor of the 2024 laureates for the Prize at the Hôtel de Ville of Strasbourg.





SOCIAL MEDIA ARTICLES





PALAIS DE L'EUROPE

**Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of
the Council of Europe
Session from March 26 to 28**

March 29, 2024

ASSEDEL wrote on the session in which several topics such as the erosion of the rule of law, and rising antisemitism and anti-Muslim hate were discussed.



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MICHEL BARNIER: The New French Prime Minister holding Eurosceptical immigration positions

September 6, 2024

This informative article published on our social media accounts gives a glimpse of the newly appointed French prime minister on immigration.



**Germany announces it will extend border
controls to all its borders starting
September 16**

September 17, 2024

In this post, ASSEDEL reflects on the decision of Germany over the Schengen area.



https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/2024_Kolkata_rape_and_murder#/media/File:Protesters_involved_in_protest_march_for_B.G._Rai_Hospital_Rape_and_Murder_2024_at_Kolkata

Kolkata's Rape-Murder Case Highlighting Women's Lack of Safety at the Workplace in India

September 18, 2024

ASSEDEL discusses women's lack of safety at the workplace in India and expresses solidarity with activists fighting for improved working conditions for Indian women.



Summit of the Future

September 24, 2024

On Tuesday, the European Parliament discussed the outcome of the Summit of the Future, which took place on September 22nd and 23rd. In this article, ASSEDEL walks us through the points discussed.

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