

ERT Work Itinerary: July – December 2011

July 7, 2011: Attended EU meeting for implementers of projects in Belarus, in Brussels.

July 6-8, 2011: Delivered a public lecture on the discriminatory ill-treatment of persons with disabilities to Moldovan students and lawyers at a meeting organised by partner organisation Promo-Lex, in Chişinău.

July 18-22, 2011: Delivered training on key concepts in equality law and the provision of legal advice in discrimination matters to community-based organisations and lawyers from across Kenya, in Nairobi.

July 26, 2011: Gave a keynote lecture “International Trends and Best Practice Models of Promoting Equality”, at conference “Reforming Australia’s Equality Laws”, organised by the Human Rights Law Centre, in Melbourne, Australia.

July 22-30, 2011: Conducted a week-long visit, on invitation of the Human Rights Law Centre and the Attorney General, to share expertise with numerous stakeholders on best practices in developing equality legislation, and to address conferences and meetings in the context of the Australian Consolidation Project aimed at upgrading equality legislation, in Melbourne and Sydney, Australia.

July 23-30, 2011: Conducted a research scoping visit, in Bangladesh.

August 5-14, 2011: Conducted a week-long feasibility study on funder strategies of supporting the development of equality, inclusive of sexual orientation and gender identity, in Kenya.

August 24, 2011: Held project development meeting with Croatian partners (The Croatian Law Centre and “HOMO” Association for Protection of Human Rights and Citizen’s Freedoms) to plan a joint project entitled “Empowering civil society through training and establishing a Croatian Equality Forum”, in Zagreb.

September 8, 2011: Held panel discussion entitled *Equality Law, Equality Lawyers and International Cooperation on Equality* on ERT’s project and advocacy work which led to the establishment of the Equality Lawyers Network, in London.

September 14, 2011: Presented the draft Guidelines on the Detention of Stateless Persons at a meeting of the UK Detention Forum, in London.

September 20, 2011: Provided training on “Essential Elements of National Equality Legislation and Good Practices in Promoting Equality” to 30 Jordanian parliamentarians, government officials, members of the judiciary, prosecutors and NGOs, hosted by Mizan Legal Centre, in Amman.

September 19-30, 2011: Conducted a research scoping visit, in Malaysia and Thailand.

September 29-30, 2011: Served as expert at Workshop “Towards a Coherent National Policy to Prevent and Combat Racial Discrimination and Related Intolerance: Developing and Implementing National Action Plans”, organised by the UN OHCHR, and provided training on “Effective Legislation as a Part of National Action Plans” to governmental officials from the Commonwealth of Independent States, in St Petersburg, Russia.

October 6, 2011: Served as expert for World Bank staff at Workshop on Human Rights and Development organised by the World Bank Nordic Trust Fund and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Finland, and conducted training on non-discrimination and equality, in Helsinki.

October 3-7, 2011: Delivered training on key concepts in equality law and the equality provisions of the Kenyan Constitution to lawyers, commissioners and civil servants, in Mombasa, Kenya.

October 25, 2011: Participated in *Good Pitch Europe*, an event which brings together filmmakers with NGOs, foundations, philanthropists, brands and media around leading social issues, in London.

October, 2011: Delivered train-the-trainer training on equality and non-discrimination law to civil society activists from Sudan.

November 21, 2011: Served as a trainer for European Commission staff at seminar “Human Rights and Democratisation in EU External Relations: Non-discrimination”, in Brussels.

November 23-28, 2011: Carried out field research and delivered a two-day workshop on the discriminatory torture and ill-treatment of persons with disabilities to lawyers and civil society activists, in Lagos, Nigeria.

December 5, 2011: Held panel discussion with barristers at Cloisters Chambers on the engagement of barristers in the Equality Lawyers Network, in London.

December 9, 2011: Held meetings with project partner organisation, Women’s Organization Tomris, and other civil society stakeholders, in planning a joint project entitled “Developing civil society capacity for preventing discriminatory torture and ill-treatment”, in Ganja, Azerbaijan.

December 5-10, 2011: Carried out field research and delivered a two-day workshop on the discriminatory torture and ill-treatment of persons with disabilities to lawyers and civil society activists, in Delhi.

December 12-13, 2011: Participated in a two-day meeting to set up the European Network on Statelessness, in London.

December 14, 2011: Hosted a roundtable discussion on the draft Guidelines for the Detention of Stateless Persons, in London.

December 14, 2011: Participated in a parliamentary event on statelessness at the Houses of Parliament, in London.