

REPORT

**ROMANIAN INSTITUTE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS AND
EUROPEAN STANDARDS**

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Foreword

Learning human rights, on the one hand, and researching human rights, on the other hand, are adequate means to provide increased respect for human rights, through an increased awareness about these rights.

A more efficient learning of human rights requires national promotion of the researches performed in the field of human rights. Such researches, as specified in Recommendation R (79) 16 by the Council of Europe Committee of Ministers, shall focus not just on the European Convention on Human Rights and the Social Charter, but also on the protection and development of human rights at national and international level, both regionally and universally; it also requires that they be not confined to juridical studies, but also deal with the historical, sociological, psychological and economic aspects of human rights, as well as the relationships between human rights and professional deontology.

It is in consonance with these general principles that the Romanian Institute for Human Rights has been organizing its activities. A national institution with tasks related to training, dissemination of information, research and consultation, the Institute was established under the law in 1991, with technical assistance from the UN Center of Geneva and in consonance with the recommendations made by the world forum and the reunions organized since 1982 by the Steering Committee on Human Rights of the Council of Europe relative to the principles that should govern the organization of such institutions and their role.

The more effective the promotion of human rights is and the more education for the respect of these rights covers a larger part of the

Romanian society, the less the infringements of these rights and the need to protect them and provide redress for the damages.

With this long-term effort, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights has a special role, which the Institute is determined to accomplish in partnership with the governmental and the non-governmental organizations.

At international level, the activities of the Romanian Institute for Human Rights have also been popularized by the International Institute for Democracy.

BACKGROUND

Established on 5 May 1949, the Council of Europe set as its aim "to achieve greater unity between its Members for the purpose of safeguarding and realizing the ideals and principles which are their common heritage and facilitating their economic and social progress ", one of the most important means to achieve it being to defend and develop the human rights and fundamental freedoms. According to the Statute, this aim shall be pursued through the organs of the Council by discussion of questions of common concern and by agreements and common action in economic, social, cultural, scientific, legal and administrative matters and in the maintenance and further realization of human rights and fundamental freedoms.

A Member State of the Council of Europe since 7 October 1993, **Romania is a party with 75 Council of Europe conventions and has signed another 19**, of which the most important are: the European Convention on the Defence of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms (of 20 June 1994) and its 13 Additional Protocols; the Local Autonomy Charter (of 17 November 1997); the European Convention on the Prevention of Torture and Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Punishments or Treatments (of 4 October 1994), as well as its two Additional Protocols; the Framework Convention on the Protection of National Minorities (of 11 May 1995, Romania being the first country to ratify the Convention); the European Charter for Regional or Minority Languages (the ratification process is under way); the revised European Social Charter, etc.

The Council of Europe has created not only the legal instruments to ensure protection of human rights in the Member States, but also the institutional mechanism that is needed for the Member States to provide

respect for human rights. The European Court of Human Rights is the institution to which a large number of Romanian citizens address themselves as they consider that their rights were violated by the Romanian State.

Even under such circumstances that the Council of Europe includes countries with old democratic traditions, it has been acknowledged that to provide respect for human rights is a continuous challenge, one that needs equal participation of the State's institutions and the civil society. Respect for human rights involves, beside an adequate legislative and institutional framework, creation of the conditions for the promotion of education, research and better information.

In this respect, in its reunion of 13 September 1997, the Committee of Ministers of the Members States adopted **Recommendation R (79) 16 on the promotion of researches related to human rights in the Council of Europe Member States**, according to which it is necessary that the Member States Governments should take any adequate measure to:

- promote research in the field of human rights;
- provide, to this end, among other things, for scholarships destined to researches in the field of human rights, within the general system of research scholarships;
- encourage, in the adequate fields, interdisciplinary researches related to human rights with a view to grant collective scholarships destined to teams of researchers;
- encourage the establishment and development of centers for studies and researches in the field of human rights, particularly within universities and specific professional institutions, etc.

The Romanian Institute for Human Rights, established under Law No. 9/1991, is the only legal person of public law in Romania invested

with powers of a center of information, research, documentation and education in the field of human rights. Accomplishing its tasks, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights made a contribution to Romania's efforts to accede the Council of Europe as well.

For the past 10 years, a period when Romania enjoyed the status of a Council of Europe Member State, the activities organized under the aegis of the institute have pursued to continue the accomplishment of the tasks assigned to the Institute under the law, while taking into account the priorities with the policies for the promotion of human rights based on the domestic and international regulations; at the same time, by carefully coordinating its activities, IRDO tried to fully respond to the purpose for which it was created.

Having a rich experience, accumulated year after year, the Institute focused its activity on the following main directions:

1. Researches on the promotion and observance of human rights in Romania and at international level, researches referring to various aspects, particularly those whose object was the observance of human rights by categories of international treaties ratified by Romania;

2. Organization of training and education programs mainly addressing those categories of persons having special responsibilities with the protection of human rights with large categories of population;

3. Organization of scientific events at domestic and international level – colloquiums, seminars, symposiums, roundtables, debates on a wide range of topics in the field of human rights – as well as participation in activities organized by various governmental and non-governmental bodies and organizations activating in the field of human rights;

4. Dissemination of information addressing public bodies, non-governmental organizations and the citizens, particularly by

familiarizing them with the domestic regulations, the international documents, practices and customs, including translation and publication of these documents in the form of compilations, documentaries, books, folders, magazines, etc., so that as many citizens as possible become familiar with them;

5. Supplying the documentation center with new books and publications acquired or received as donations;

6. Offering advisory opinion and documentation in the field of human rights.

I. RESEARCHES ON THE PROMOTION AND OBSERVANCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS IN ROMANIA AND AT INTERNATIONAL LEVEL

The Romanian Institute for Human Rights initiated and made researches for a wide range of topics, so that all aspects were covered and the terminology and concepts related to human rights issues were clarified. The researches were made both by the in-house researchers and with the assistance of outside collaborators of high reputation, including jurists, sociologists, psychologists, historians, physicians, architects, philologists, universitarians, etc.

Most of the researches have already been accomplished and published in the form of lectures delivered in the framework of the symposiums, the seminars or the roundtables organized by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights or in collaboration with other human rights non-governmental organizations. At the same time, the results of a number of researches were published or are to be published in monographs, the quarterly "Drepturile omului" or in volumes and booklets edited by the Institute.

In terms of the topics dealt with and the purpose for which they were initiated, the researches may be grouped as follows:

1. Researches dealing with general issues

a) Researches devoted to those institutions, instruments and mechanisms related to the promotion and protection of human rights in Romania and at international level as well, such as: the United Nations Organization, the Council of Europe, the European Court of Human Rights, the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe, the Constitutional Court, the Advocate of the People, etc.

The researches were meant to explain the mechanisms and familiarize the Romanian citizens with the instruments newly established in Romania to promote human rights, with the role of non-governmental organizations, and also with the international standards, particularly the European ones, related to the protection and promotion of human rights.

b) Researches devoted to the civil and political rights;

c) Researches devoted to the economic, social and cultural rights;

d) Researches devoted to the human rights to development, peace and a healthy environment;

e) Researches devoted to the protection of special categories of persons (women, children and youngsters, family, elderly persons, persons with psychic or physic disabilities, etc.). (**Appendix A** includes a few such researches, for the sake of illustration)

2. Researches dealing with special topics

This category includes researches devoted to domestic and international institutions and bodies involved with the protection and promotion of human rights. Such researches were meant to improve the activity of the respective institutions or initiate the establishment of

similar institutions in Romania. Following is an illustration of two such researches that enjoyed appreciation both in Romania and at international level.

a) "Reform of the international institutions for the protection of human rights" – a research made in cooperation with the UN Center for Human Rights in Geneva and presented at an ample colloquium organized in Bucharest on March 15-17th 1993 and acknowledged by the United Nations as a satellite meeting of the World Conference on Human Rights of Vienna (June 1993). The Romanian Institute for Human Rights used that opportunity to advance the proposal that the hall in the Parliament Palace where the sessions of the satellite meeting took place should have been called the "Human Rights Hall" – a proposal that was later complied with.

The "Declaration of Bucharest", also elaborated on that occasion, which included the concrete proposals for the reformation of the international institutions for the protection of human rights, enjoyed wide circulation and was adopted as official document of the UN General Assembly for the World Conference of Vienna. Most of the proposals included in the "Declaration of Bucharest" (see **Appendix F**) are to be found in the Final Document adopted by the World Conference.

It is worth mentioning that the participants in the debates in Bucharest included, beside the researchers of the Romanian Institute for Human Rights, experts from the UN Center of Geneva and from the Council of Europe, a large number Romanian parliamentarians, scientists, politicians, judges with the Constitutional Court, judges with the Supreme Court of Justice, representatives of other governmental and non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights.

b) "The Advocate of the People Institution" – a research initiated on request by the Chamber of Deputies and devoted to an institution with a key role for the defence of human rights, provided for as such by the Constitution of Romania, which however was not functioning because the organic law for its establishment had not been passed yet. Based on ample documentation and on request by the Chamber of Deputies, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights achieved a first draft of the Advocate of the People Act, which it submitted to the two human rights Commissions of the Romanian Parliament, to domestic and international governmental and non-governmental bodies having tasks in the field of human rights, including the UN Center of Geneva and the Council of Europe.

In order to raise awareness of the public and the legislative so that this important instrument for the defence of human rights be institutionalized as soon as possible, the Institute organized in Bucharest, on November 1st-2nd 1993, a large international symposium on the research and the first draft of law elaborated on its basis, in cooperation with the Council of Europe, Directorate of Human Rights. It was the first event organized in Romania in cooperation with the Council of Europe after our country was admitted as full member of this important European body. It is worth mentioning that the reunion was a real success, the participants who delivered speeches including parliamentarians and other politicians too, magistrates, scientists, experts with the Council of Europe, as well as representatives of the Ombudsman institution from Spain, Denmark and Poland. Numerous representatives of the diplomatic missions accredited in Bucharest also attended the debates.

Based on the first draft of law elaborated by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights and the comments made during the symposium, a group of deputies elaborated and deposited with the Chamber of Deputies

Standing Bureau a draft of law on the Advocate of the People institution, which today is functioning and acquiring a better and better defined position in the structure of the national institutions for the defence of human rights.

3. Researches meant to provide, on request, documentations on human rights issues

This category mainly includes researches in the field of comparative law, meant to provide, on request by Parliament's Commissions, as well as other interested authorities, documentations on human rights issues in drafts of laws and other issues considered by Parliament.

a) On request by the Chamber of Deputies' Commission for Human Rights, Cults and National Minorities Issues, IRDO initiated researches and provided documentation while at the same time expressing its point of view in relation to numerous drafts of laws. (See **Appendix B**)

b) On request by Romania's delegation to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, a research on the right to property was made.

c) On request by the Constitutional Court, IRDO provided documentation and expressed its point of view in relation to article 200 in the Criminal Code (incrimination of homosexuality).

d) Based on its research activity, the Institute provided information about the efforts taken by the Government of Romania for the promotion and protection of human rights. In this respect, several reports were elaborated, published and sent to those interested, including some of Romania's Embassies abroad. Of these, the following should be mentioned:

- Romanian legislation in the period December 1989 – may 1992. Incompatibilities or inconsistencies with the international human rights documents

- Issues related to the way certain normative acts reflect the economic and social human rights

- Report on the progresses with the promotion and protection of human rights in Romania in the period 1992-1995

In 1996, the Institute initiated an annual report on the progresses with protection and promotion of human rights in Romania as reflected in the amendments of the legislation or the legislation adopted in the preceding year. The report is published in Romanian, English and French.

- e) Researches on the international commitments assumed by Romania and the way they are accomplished

- f) Researches and documentations supplied on request by other users, such as:

- On request by the Ministry of External Affairs, documentations were supplied for the elaboration of the country report submitted to the United Nations in the framework of the UN General Assembly's special session that marked the International Year of Elderly Persons; or, documentation for the elaboration of reports on women's rights as reflected in the Romanian legislation;

- On request by the Ministry of Justice, IRDO provided documentations and advisory opinion on various drafts of laws, such as the draft on probation, the draft on the execution of punishments, or the draft on the status of the staff of the penitentiary administration in Romania.

4. Sociologic researches based on polls

According to the provisions of its constitutive law, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights is authorized to make polls on various aspects related to the awareness about and protection of human rights. Under the circumstances, the Institute made periodic sociologic researches based on polls addressing various categories of the population, particularly students. Here are a several such polls, the conclusions of which were published in the quarterly "Drepturile omului":

a) A poll-based sociologic research on the awareness about human rights with 8th and 10th grade high school students – made with the participants in the first edition of the National Contest on civic culture and sociology. Although limited as far as the coverage of the high-school population is concerned, the results of the research offered a useful image about the receptivity of the students whose preoccupations are to a certain extent focused on human rights. The results of the research were also submitted to the Ministry of Education and Research.

b) A poll on the awareness about human rights with elderly intellectuals. This age group was selected bearing in mind the influence its members can have upon human rights education of children and adolescents.

c) IRDO's Research Department proposed to the Poll Service of the Romanian Television that they should make an additional investigation on a sample of the Channel 1 viewers on the awareness about and the correct interpretation of human rights. The data processing was made by the Poll Service of the Romanian Television and was made public at the contest on "The media and human rights", organized by the Institute.

d) A sociologic poll on the awareness about human rights with 9th and 12th grade high-school students.

e) The Institute and the research company "Data media" jointly made a national poll with all grade students referring to initiation in human rights issues and awareness about the responsibilities implied by the exercise of the various rights. The results of the poll were published in December 2001 and served as basis for further activities performed in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Research.

II. TRAINING PROGRAMS AND EDUCATION ACTIVITIES IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Like the other directions of IRDO's activities, those dealing with training and education aimed to accomplish the tasks assigned to the Institute under the law, taking into account the priorities with the human rights promoting policies.

The activities organized in this field pursued, among other things, the organization of programs for better acquaintance with human rights issues, human rights promotion and protection, education for democratic citizenship and building of a culture of peace, in close relationship with the objectives laid down in documents adopted by the Council of Europe, the United Nations or the European Union.

Addressing target groups in the widest range of activities – education, public administration, justice, internal affairs, health, persons with specific problems: women, children, minorities, etc. – the events organized by the Institute were mainly meant to familiarize the participants with human rights issues, shape attitudes and a civic behavior adequate to democratic societies, tolerance, mutual respect, and combat any forms of discrimination.

In the organization of education and training-for-trainers activities, an important role comes with partnerships with the State's institutions:

higher education institutions, denominations, professional associations, non-governmental organizations, etc. In this respect, it is worth mentioning the Partnership Protocols concluded with the Ministry of Education and Research, the Ministry of Health and Family, the National Agency of Civil Servants, the National Institute of Administration, the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Justice or the trade unions, partnerships renewed every year, whose effectiveness is proved by the success of the activities, their increased efficiency, the better use of the resources, the selection of the beneficiaries, mobilization of the experts and, last but not least, by the optimal use of the accumulated influence potential.

1. Courses and events organized in partnership

a) Training and human rights education courses addressing the Ministry of Internal Affairs staff

Following conclusion of the Partnership Protocol in the field of human rights education between IRDO and the Ministry of Internal Affairs, a number of courses and activities addressing the personnel of the Police, the Gendarmerie, the Fire Department, etc., were organized. Their purpose was, on the one hand, familiarization of the respective personnel with the human rights standards, particularly those to be found in the European Convention on Human Rights and the Convention for the Prevention of Torture and Inhuman or Degrading Treatments and Punishments, and, on the other hand, development of their capabilities to implement those standards in the current activity of the Ministry of Internal Affairs personnel.

Special mention should be made of the training course on "Prevention of violence in the inter-community relationships. The role of

the Gendarmerie as a public order force", jointly organized in Bucharest by the Institute and the Council of Europe.

At present, inter-county courses on "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces" jointly organized by the Institute and the Committee on Human Rights and Humanitarian Law under the Ministry of Internal Affairs are under way.

b) Human rights and the citizen-administration relationship

The Institute organized courses in partnership with the Training Centers for the staff of the central and local public administration in Bucharest, as well as its territorial Centers and the university centers. The purpose of these training courses was improvement of the citizen-administration relationship such as to meet the European standards.

After several meetings with employees of the public local and central administration (County Council of Iași, County Council of Vaslui, County Council of Prahova, etc.), the Institute's specialists evaluated the needs of the administrative bodies, developing in this respect a strategy to be pursued in an effort to train public servants to observe human rights in their activity. This strategy was accomplished and made public on the occasion of a pilot course on "Human rights in the administration-citizen relationship", organized by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights in cooperation with the Department for Local Public Administration and attended by representatives of the central and the local administration, the Advocate of the People, the trade unions and human rights non-governmental organizations.

The debates pointed out both the gap between the normative framework and the practical reality, as well as good examples of

collaboration between the administrative authorities and non-governmental organizations.

c) Human rights in the administration of justice

Training courses organized in partnership with the Ministry of Justice, the Public Ministry, the National Institute of the Magistracy and the Jurists' Union of Romania, both at central and local level. In addition to general topics such as international instruments and mechanisms on the protection of human rights or basic principles of the independence of justice, topics of the day were also dealt with:

- Organization and functioning of the European Court of Human Rights;
- Application of Protocol 11 to the European Convention on Human Rights;
- Achievement of the right to defence in all phases of the criminal trial;
- Protection of personal data, taking into account the computerization process undergone by the juridical apparatus, etc.

d) Training courses for trainers and educational activities in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Research

The Institute and the Ministry of Education and Research have developed a long-lasting partnership. It covers both development of human rights education directly addressing the students, and training of the teaching staff that achieves such education.

Development of education for human rights, democracy, tolerance and a culture of peace targeting school-age youngsters is achieved by means of activities directly addressing this age group. The most important ones include: "National Olympics of Human Rights", a contest in the civic education/culture disciplines and the national contest "Democracy and Tolerance". Organized on a stage basis at the level of schools and counties, the two contests are meant to both familiarize students with the concepts of democracy, tolerance, human rights, rights of the child, with the relationship between these concepts and the norms existing at national and universal level for their implementation and have students practise democratic and tolerant attitudes and behaviours, in a civic spirit.

Closely related to this, assisting better training of the teaching staff involved with human rights education is a preoccupation achieved through training courses, symposiums, colloquiums, which are organized in cooperation with the Teaching Staff Houses all over the country.

Another aspect of the partnership is that it stimulates the creation of auxiliary materials devoted to human rights education. The national contest on didactic creativity, which has seen its second edition and is organized in collaboration with the Teaching Staff House of Galați, is an eloquent example.

The Romanian Institute for Human Rights also organized a number of pilot courses, together with the Romanian Association for the United Nations, the Jurists' Union of Romania, the Romanian Society of Comparative Law, the Ministry of Labour and Social Solidarity.

2. International University of Human Rights

This event is a culmination of the Institute's efforts in terms of training-for-trainers courses. It is a superior form of training and

specialization in the field of human rights that brings together personalities of the academic and scientific life from Romania and from abroad, representatives of non-governmental organizations, representatives of the ethnic, religious and linguistic minorities, etc.

The summer courses of the International University of Human Rights, which has seen its 9th edition, are an important center of communication among distinguished Romanian and foreign specialists on topics of great present interest: protection of human rights as reflected in the main branches of law, education for tolerance and dialogue between civilizations, a world of human rights, democracy and tolerance, etc. Each edition of the University, included a special section or had as general topic devoted to the international instruments and mechanisms for the protection and promotion of human rights. Here are some examples: "Protection of human rights reflected in the main branches of law, on the eve of the 3rd millennium", which marked the 50th anniversary of the European Convention on Human Rights; another edition was devoted to the "Human rights protection system" and included a special section devoted to the regional systems, namely, the European one: Council of Europe, European Union; this edition was also characterized by a special attention paid to the social rights in the light of the European Social Charter and the revised European Social Charter; "Evolution of the protection and promotion of human rights in the main branches of law" was the topic of another edition of the summer courses and, last but not least, the latest edition whose topic was "Artisans of modern human rights", which was also dedicated to the 10th anniversary of Romania's accession to the Council of Europe. The success of the courses is also achieved through the contributions made by parliamentarians, judges with the Constitutional Court and the Supreme Court of Justice, representatives of the Advocate of the People, Ministry of Justice, Public

Ministry, Ministry of Internal Affairs, Ministry of National Defence, Ministry of Labour and Social Protection, specialists in the local public administration, representatives of non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights. The course is achieved with the contribution of experts from the Council of Europe, the International Institute of Law of French Expression and Inspiration, the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law, and also experts from Jus Primi Viri and Centro di Educazione, etc.

Part of the lectures delivered to the participants is the result of the efforts taken in the field of research in the period elapsed from the preceding edition. The debates represent a useful exchange of ideas among the participants, many of which are the starting point of new projects for the Institute.

The International University of Human Rights has also always been a good opportunity to release a number of volumes published by IRDO: "*Principalele instrumente internaționale la care România este parte*" – 1st volume, "*Instrumente universale*" and 2nd volume, "*Instrumente regionale*", "*Drepturile copilului și tânărului*" – 1st volume, "*Documente internaționale*" and 2nd volume, "*Documente interne*", "*Carta Socială revizuită. Principii și drepturi*", illustrated by Sorin Postolache și Mihai Pânzaru-Pim, "*Declarația de la Durban*", Romanian translation achieved by IRDO, etc.

Every time the courses, which dealt with a wide range of issues in the light of the unanimously accepted values and the international standards, enjoyed the appreciation of the participants who pointed out the thematic balance, the richness of the information and the elements of novelty, the elevated character of the lectures and the lively applicative nature of the debates.

3. Specific forms of training and education in the field of human rights

a) Elaboration of special programs devoted to most important events, appreciated as such by the United Nations and the Council of Europe, and related to the protection and promotion of human rights, such as:

- Annual anniversary of the creation of the United Nations;
- Anniversary of the creation of the Council of Europe
- Anniversary of the adoption of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- International year of fight against racial discrimination, xenophobia and intolerance;
- United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education.

Speaking about this latter objective, mention should be made that since 1996, when the Romanian National Committee for the United Nations Decade for Human Rights Education, IRDO has held the Secretariat-General and coordinated the National Plan of education in this field.

b) Coordination of the UNESCO Chair for Human Rights, Democracy and Peace. The Chair started working as a result of an agreement between UNESCO, and the Romanian Institute for Human Rights and the North University of Baia Mare. The Chair is a pilot training center at universitarian and post-universitarian level (in the year 2002, the second series of graduates graduated the Master's Degree training courses in human rights, democracy, peace and tolerance). This form of training assimilates the results of the national and international

research, while keeping pace with the progresses and the developments in its specific domain. It is worth mentioning that the Institute is the first national institution that coordinates the activity of a Chair for Human Rights, Democracy and Peace, in the partnership system of UNESCO programs.

c) Organization of radio broadcast contests on human rights topics addressing children and the youth and achieved together with the national radio station.

d) Participation in the debates on the observance and promotion of human rights in the framework of broadcasts of the various TV stations and the national radio station, including: *"Integration dossiers"*, *"Observance of the right to property in Romania"*, *"Observance of the European Convention and implementation in Romania of the decisions by the European Court of Human Rights"*, etc.

e) Organization, in cooperation with the Ministry of Education and Research, of national contests of didactic creativity, meant to stimulate development of auxiliary materials for human rights education in pre-university educational units.

f) Training students and involving them with national and international contests on various human rights topics. In the year 2000, for instance, a team prepared by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights and made up of students from the National School of Political and Administrative Studies – Faculty of Public Administration – participated in the final phase of the first edition of the "Pierre Laroque" Contest on the European Social Charter, which took place at the Human Rights

Palace of Strasbourg. It was the only team of South-Eastern Europe countries to have qualified for that phase and they held one of the leading positions.

The Institute's activities in the field of human rights training and education are well known and appreciated both at domestic and international level.

(A selection of the training and educational programs can be seen in **Appendix C**)

III. ORGANIZATION OF COLLOQUIUMS, SEMINARS AND SYMPOSIUMS

Although we deal separately with these activities, they cannot exist isolated from all the other activities of the Institute, for they belong with both training and research in the field of human rights.

From the beginning, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights took great efforts for the organization of seminars and symposiums with domestic and international participation as well as for the participation of its representatives as lecturers in similar activities organized by other domestic or foreign organizations and institutions taking interest in the field of human rights.

At the same time, IRDO organized periodic consultations and common activities with non-governmental organizations, Academy's research institutes and other bodies having activities in the field of human rights, while establishing collaboration relationships with human rights institutes or similar bodies all over the world, as well as international and regional organizations having activities in the field of human rights.

By doing so, the Institute pursued two goals:

- On the one hand, to involve with these activities all the factors which, either in the framework of Parliament, of State institutions, or in the framework of non-governmental organizations, have powers in or are related to the respective field of activity, in terms of implementation or finding new solutions for the improvement of human rights in Romania. Thus, as a rule, all reunions, sessions of scientific debates and symposiums organized by IRDO also enjoyed the participation of representatives of Parliament, of governmental and non-governmental organizations having powers or taking interest in the field of human rights.

- On the other hand, participating in the events organized by other domestic and foreign organizations and bodies, IRDO succeeded in building its image as a reliable institute, deeply involved with the defence and promotion of human rights and fundamental freedoms, such as they are laid down in the Charter of Human Rights, the European Convention on Human Rights, the Constitution of Romania, the international treaties and the legislation adopted by Parliament of Romania. The scientific level of the lectures, objectiveness of the submitted reports, won IRDO a well-deserved prestige, both in Romania and abroad, which made respectable similar institutes in other countries and international bodies invite it to participate in or jointly organize various events.

The scientific level of the dissertations and the objectiveness of the reports brought IRDO great prestige, both national and international, so that the Institute came to be invited to participate in or organize events together with similar institutes in other countries or international bodies.

(See a selection of these events in **Appendix D**)

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Mention should be made of the assistance IRDO enjoyed with the organization of its activities from a number of personalities in the public and scientific life in Romania and abroad. The foreign personalities participating in such events include: Pierre Henri Imbert – Director of the Human Rights Direction, Council of Europe; Daniele Levy Puech – Human Rights Division, Council of Europe; Vincent Berger – Head of Division with the Registrar's Office, European Court of Human Rights; M. Tom Cox – President of the Commission on Social, Health and Family Issues, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; Johan Weuts – President of the Subcommittee on the European Social Charter and Labour, parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; Xavier Coyer – Member of the Governmental Committee of the European Social Charter; Veronica Williams – Council of Europe, Human Rights Directorate, European Social Charter Section; Cristine Meunier – Secretary General of the Commission on Social Issues, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; Taner Beygo, former clerk with the Council of Europe, Human Rights Directorate; Hans Christian Kruger – Deputy Secretary General; Lord Russel Johnston – President of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe; Walter Schwimmer – Secretary General of the Council of Europe; Letizia Fiorillo Dello Russo – Secretary General of the "Ius Primi Viri" Association; Tudor Panțiru – Judge with the European Court; John Murray – Coordinator of the Roma-related activities, Council of Europe; Franck Shurmann – European Court of Human Rights, etc.

IV. PUBLICATION OF THE DOMESTIC REGULATIONS AND THE INTERNATIONAL DOCUMENTS, PRACTICES AND CUSTOMS IN THE FIELD OF HUMAN RIGHTS

Keeping informed public bodies, non-governmental organizations and the citizens, by publication of the domestic regulations and the international documents, practices and customs, including translation thereof, for as many as possible citizens to get familiarized with their contents, was one constant preoccupations of the Institute.

Periodicals

a) The quarterly "Drepturile omului"

This is a scientific magazine including studies, researches, articles, presentations of international or national documents of major significance in the field of human rights, jurisprudence in the field, notes, comments, book reviews, etc. Articles, studies, and presentations of the results of researches – all related to human rights and written by domestic and foreign consecrated authors, with great expertise in the field – are the most important ones in terms of frequency.

The texts of international conventions, treaties, documents and other international agreements in the field of human rights are also published. The quarterly also includes presentations of how the various institutions meant to promote and protect human rights in countries of long democratic tradition are organized and function.

The Institute's book releases as well as a review of the main activities organized by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights or in which IRDO participated are publicized in the form of notes, comments related to the various events in the field of human rights, as well as reviews on human rights books.

To accomplish one of its main tasks established under its constitutive law, the Institute pays special attention to translating and publishing universal and regional documents joined together in compilations, while strictly observing the editorial norms and criteria established by the international forums that adopted them.

As was shown, some of these are published in chapter "Documentar" in the quarterly "Drepturile omului". Here is an illustration of several such documents:

- Recommendation R(79) 16 By the Committee of Ministers of the Member States on promotion of researches related to human rights in the Member States of the Council of Europe;

- Bodies and universal and regional human rights documents; similarities and differences;

- Declaration of Warsaw by the OSCE Parliamentary Assembly (excerpts);

- Organization and functioning of the Ombudsman institution in Canada;

- Local Autonomy Charter;

- Revised European Social Charter, etc.

b) *InfoIRDO* – a monthly informative bulletin, issued since 1999, to meet the need to more operatively inform those interested about the newest researches and international and national jurisprudence, about the activities and events organized by the Institute or in which it participated.

c) Publication of volumes devoted to distinctive fields of human rights

Beside these periodicals, compilations of documents and research works published in volumes were issued by IRDO. (See the complete list

of IRDO's publication in **Appendix E**) Also for the sake of illustration, we should mention:

- *Jurisprudența Curții Europene a Drepturilor Omului*

IRDO's publication of the Romanian version of this work of exceptional scientific value enabled the access of the Romanian public to the complex jurisprudence of the Court. Once Romania acceded the Council of Europe in 1993 and ratified the European Convention on Human Rights and its 11 Additional Protocols, familiarization with this jurisprudence became highly urgent first of all with magistrates and lawyers, but also with the teachers and the students in the faculties juridical orientation, researchers and all those invested with powers in the administration of the law.

The moment when the book was release coincided with the beginning of a new stage in the activity of the important European institution that is the Tribunal of Strasbourg, once Protocol 11 on instituting a single, permanent court instead of the old mechanism became effective.

Interest in the volume, which opened access to the main decisions of the Court to the Romanian public, made the three editions of the work rapidly become out of print, which led to the preparation of a new edition, the 4th, revised and supplemented with recent law-cases of the most significant for the interpretation given by the Court to the provisions of the European Convention on Human Rights and its Protocols, and also including an updated bibliography.

- *"Principalele instrumente internaționale privind drepturile omului la care România este parte", vol. II – "Instrumente regionale" –*

The volume includes international regulations on human rights in the series of European documents where Romania is a party, documents whose texts translated into Romanian are thematically grouped, using a classification similar to that used by the Council of Europe, namely: chapters regarding the status, privileges and immunities; the European Convention on Human Rights and its Additional Protocols; prevention of torture, education and culture; protection of the environment, civil, criminal and public law, as well as minorities. At the same time, a distinctive section includes a number of legal instruments of great importance to the field of human rights, which Romania had signed but were not yet ratified at the time of the publication.

The rapid run out of print of the five editions published so far makes us strongly believe that the volume represents a working instrument necessary to all those invested with tasks and responsibilities in this field, to researchers, students and university professors as well as the civil society, particularly to the NGOs watching that all the provisions and recommendations included in the selected texts be observed. The volume is all the more important that, by virtue of the provisions in the Constitution, the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the treaties on the fundamental human rights where our country is a party become a self-executing system, as part of the domestic legislation.

- ***"Carta socială europeană revizuită. Drepturi și principii", three-lingual edition***

A volume edited by IRDO on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Council of Europe and ratification by Romania of the revised European Social Charter, it reflects the developments that occurred during the 38 years since the adoption of the Social Charter of 1961, while offering updated information, interpretations and pertinent analyses.

The work combines the formulation of the rights and the principles consecrated under the revised European Social Charter, such as they were laid down in the First Part of the Treaty, with inspired graphic images by two Romanian artists: Sorin Postolache and Mihai Pânzaru Pim. The work enjoyed unanimous appreciation from international bodies, being exhibited on the occasion of various international scientific reunions.

Taken together, the Charter and the European Convention on Human Rights give legal force to the ensemble of human rights, both the economic and social ones and the civil and political ones.

- ***"Drepturile omului în pragul mileniului II. Carta Socială Europeană"***

As a sign of respect for the principle of the indivisibility of human rights, IRDO devotes a significant amount of its activity to the economic and social rights side by side with the political and civil ones. The Institute provided the Romanian public with this volume, which has seen its second edition, thanks to the efforts of two distinguished jurists: Prof. Dr Irina Moroianu Zlătescu, Director of IRDO, and Ion Stoica, Parliament Expert beside the Standing Delegation of Parliament of

Romania with the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe, a volume whose text has been revised and added recent information.

The rapid run out of print of the first edition confirmed the interest of all those to whom it is targeted, be they parliamentarians or magistrates, members of governmental and non-governmental organizations, journalists or universitarians taking interest in the field.

It is worth mentioning that, according to the law, all publications and volumes edited by IRDO shall be distributed free of charge to all those asking for them for their information and documentation, to the extent the number of printed copies makes it possible. At the same time, the publications are sent *ex officio* to Members of Parliament, university and county libraries, the Courts of appeal, the County Tribunals and the Parquets beside them, the Committees on human rights and humanitarian law within the Ministry of Internal Affairs and the Ministry of National Defence, non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field.

At the same time, all IRDO's publications have been sent, on request by the United Nations, the Council of Europe or the State institutions, and NGOs, to all the countries having citizens of Romanian descent.

V. CENTER OF INFORMATION AND DOCUMENTATION

In parallel with its other activities, the Institute developed a Center of information and documentation in the field of human rights. The great number of users are attracted by fund of books and periodicals, numerous and valuable alike, which includes, beside volumes and other publications regarding the international and the national human rights regulations and mechanisms, a number of fundamental works in the field. Many, of which some are the unique copies in Romania, come from donations made by various international organizations (including the Council of Europe), education institutions, exchange of publications with various foundations, universities, similar institutes, human rights NGOs from Romania and abroad.

In its capacity as one of the first depository libraries of the Council of Europe, for the fields: human rights, culture, education, ecology and political sciences, the Documentation Center of the Romanian Institute for Human Rights offered those interested not only access to the documentation coming from Strasbourg, which was very useful by its topical and operative nature, but also guidance on how the international legal instruments should be used; for instance, they were advised on how to fill in an application to the European Court of Human Rights or were explained the latter's mechanisms or the mechanisms of other legal instruments in the United Nations system or the system of the Council of Europe.

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The Documentation Center is attended by numerous persons coming from quite different social environments, but mostly by scientific researchers, students, lawyers, magistrates, and representatives of NGOs.

With the assistance and participation of a number of teachers, actors, students and schoolchildren, the Center of documentation achieved documentary videos on the evolution of certain minorities on the territory of Romania – for instance the Transylvanian Saxons and the Swabians –, as well as audiocassettes illustrating human rights such as they are reflected in the universal and national dramaturgy.

At the same time, IRDO participated with a rich supply of books it had edited in the Book Fair organized by the Council of Europe Center for Human Rights as well as the International Book Fair organized in Bucharest.

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Since its foundation and up to the present time, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights has covered through its activities the whole range of tasks established under its constitutive law. Mention should be made that from the very beginning (the 1992 Report by the UN Commission for Human Rights, pages 44-47 referring to Romania) the activities of the Romanian Institute for Human Rights for education, training, research and documentation in the field of human rights were positively appreciated.

In the organization of its activities, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights enjoyed constant assistance, including actual participation, from: the leaders of the two Parliament Chambers, the presidents and the members of the Commissions for Human Rights, the Juridical

Commissions, numerous other parliamentarians and personalities of the political, cultural and scientific life, the Presidency, the Government, the Romanian Academy, the Constitutional Court, the Advocate of the People, the Supreme Court of Justice, the Ministry of External Affairs, the Ministry of Justice, the Ministry of National Defence, the Ministry of Education and Research, as well as the ministries, the denominations, the unions, governmental and non-governmental bodies with powers in the field of human rights, central institutes, public and private universities, and research institutes.

At the same time, IRDO had a good collaboration with and enjoyed the appreciation of the representatives of most diplomatic missions accredited in Bucharest, the UN resident representative in Romania, the bodies of the Council of Europe, the United Nations, similar institutes in Europe, America and Africa.

Owing to the prestige it gained, the Institute has become member of several international bodies. In the year 2002, at the International Meeting of Francophone Human Rights Institutes and Networks of Beirut, IRDO was elected as one of the 9 members of the Steering Committee of this prestigious forum.

The Institute also made a contribution to the creation of Council of Europe Centers of information and documentation in the field of human rights in some neighboring countries, such as the Human Rights Center created in Sarajevo (Bosnia and Herzegovina) in 1996.

APPENDIX A

RESEARCHES ON GENERAL TOPICS

a. Institutions, instruments and mechanisms

- Jurisdiction of the Council of Europe – European Commission;
- European Convention on Human Rights – Committee of Ministers;
- The Council of Europe – a premise and a complementary mechanism with Romania's undertaking of integration with the European Union;
- European bodies and documents – resemblances and differences;
- Comments on the Romanian law-cases before the European Convention on Human Rights;
- Aspects of the jurisprudence of the European Convention on Human Rights related to racial discrimination;
- The Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the jurisprudence of the Constitutional Court;
- New instruments and institutions for the protection and promotion of human rights in Europe;
- Harmonization of the Romanian legislation with the Community's legislation;
- Institutions tasked to promote human rights in Romania;
- Consecration of human rights in the post-revolutionary Romanian legislation;

- The role of Parliament with the promotion and observance of human rights;
- The Constitutional Court, a guarantor of citizens' freedoms
- Legal protection of human rights: concepts, system, procedures
- Balance of powers within the State and their contingency in the Constitution of 1991;
- The Constitutional Court's function as guarantor of the constitutionality of laws;
- Provisions in the Constitution of Romania on the relationship between international and domestic regulations in the field of human rights;
- Ombudsman and the protection of human rights;
- Universality, interdependence and indivisibility of human rights;
- Toward a European Court of Human Rights;
- Constitutional guaranties in terms of human rights;
- Role of Parliament with the creation of the law system institutions in Romania;
- Role of justice with the development of the constitutional democracy in Romania;
- Relationship between the Church and the State. Their nature and legal regulation;
- European Community and human rights;
- Human rights and the State's sovereignty;
- The "natural law" theory as a basis of human rights;
- Advocate of the People institution ;

- Organization of the control mechanism of the European Convention on Human Rights;
- Role of the Supreme Court of Justice with the defence and promotion of human rights;
- Legislation in the military field related to the protection of human rights in the army;
- The juridical and the judicial dimension of human rights;
- The concept referring to the protection of person and its guaranties in a democratic State governed by the rule of law;
- Provisions of the Criminal Procedure Code and human rights;
- Jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights;
- Harmonization of the Romanian legislation with the requirements of the Community's legislation;
- Observance of human rights, a prerequisite with Romania's integration in the Euro-Atlantic structures;
- Evolution of human rights in the administrative law; the administrative proceedings;
- Romanian jurisprudence related to the *a priori* control of the constitutionality of laws;
- Comments on the Romania law-cases before the European Court of Human Rights;
- 21st century police – protection of the citizens' rights and the new international menaces against security;
- The European Convention on Human Rights on its 50th anniversary;
- The national Ombudsman institution in regional context;

- The legal and institutional framework for combating racism, discrimination, xenophobia and intolerance;
- Romanian legislation addressing the media and the European standards;
- Council of Europe – a premise and a complementary mechanism for Romania's integration in the European Union;
- Romanian legislation on fighting against racism, xenophobia and any forms of discrimination;
- Effectiveness of human rights;

b. Civil and political rights

- Guaranties for the observance of the civil and political human rights in the Romanian legislation;
- The right to a fair trial and free access to justice;
- The right to apply to the European Court of Human Rights in case all internal remedies at law have been exhausted;
- Terrorism – a serious violation of the human right to life, freedom and security;
- The *Religion* discipline with the Romanian educational system and the dialogue between denominations and civilizations;
- Racial discrimination and the European Convention on Human Rights in the jurisprudence of the European Court of Human Rights;
- Freedom of movement; international conventions and the European jurisprudence in the field;
- National citizenship – European citizenship;
- Fundamental principles with the election of Senators and Deputies;
- The jurisdictional and the political control of the constitutionality of laws;
- Judgment of the plea of unconstitutionality;
- A plea for an anthropology of religious freedoms;
- The United Roman Church and human rights;
- Geopolitics of minorities in Central Europe;
- European integration and the issue of minorities;
- Freedom of the press in the interpretation of the European Court of Human Rights;

- Significance of the international provisions on religious freedom and the domestic law;
- Human rights and religious freedom;
- Tolerance and the Romanian spirituality;
- The main aspects of the relationships between the State and the denominations in Romania;
- Mixed electoral systems;
- Infrastructure of electoral systems;
- Free circulation of ideas;
- The human right to free movement;
- The media and tolerance;
- Human rights and the media;
- Tourism and human rights – terms and concepts;
- Universal and regional international standards on conscientious objection to military service;
- Legal guaranties for the right to information and freedom of expression;
- Christianity and human rights;
- Electoral rights in the international regulations;
- European campaign against racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism and intolerance;
- Freedom of information in the new Eastern democracies – three steps forward, two steps backward;
- Constitutional framework of the right to information;
- The human rights-police-community relationship;

- Constitutional exigencies regarding free circulation of the Romanian citizens;
- Local public administration and human rights;
- Recourses and jurisdictions in administrative matters;
- Harmonization of the Romanian criminal legislation with the international human rights standards;
- Legal and institutional guaranties in terms of equal opportunities;
- The legal assistance guaranty;
- Fundamental principles with the interpretation and implementation of human rights;
- Legal guaranties for the civil and political rights;
- Freedom of thought, conscience and religion;
- Freedom of opinion and expression;
- The right to property and the jurisdiction of the Constitutional Court;
- From the Declaration of the Rights of Man and Citizen to the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the European Convention on Human Rights – concepts and principles with the law of French inspiration;
- Legal protection against racism, discrimination, xenophobia and intolerance

c. Economic, social and cultural rights

- Right to culture, cooperation and development at international level;

- The social rights in the European human rights instruments;
- Romania and the revised European Social Charter;
- Discrimination and non-discrimination in sports;
- Balance between economic freedom and social rights with the European Union;
- Non-discrimination on the labor market;
- The citizen-public authority relationship;
- Right to social protection between possibilities and requirements;
- Human rights education issues related to the prevention of racist and xenophobic attitudes;
- Comments on the competent body to rule employees' legal contests against general disciplinary sanctions;
- Education and culture in the spirit of tolerance;
- Role of local communities and non-governmental organizations with education for tolerance;
- The media and education of schoolchildren in the spirit of human rights;
- Human rights education – a complex and long-lasting process;
- Equality of rights and duties between the spouses;
- Social rights in the European human rights instruments;
- The cultural identity of minorities;
- Consecration of the right to a home in the revised European Social Charter;
- Cultural identity and human rights;
- Right to health and the health status;

- Education for democratic citizenship;
- Multicultural and intercultural education;
- Equality of opportunities – equality of treatment;
- Human rights, social progress and social initiatives;
- Guiding policies with programs of structural adjustment and the economic, social and cultural rights;
- Education – an prerequisite with the development of personality;
- Right to intellectual property in Romania;
- Culture – a counterpart to the danger of extremism;
- Health and the family;
- Right to health and the reform of the sanitary system in Romania;
- A bioethical view with researches in genetics;
- Legal protection of Alzheimer sufferers;

d. Development, peace and healthy environment

- Right to a healthy environment in the context of other rights;
- Human rights and humanitarian law;
- Human rights and the issues of economic and social development;
- Right to a healthy environment – Aspects of the international cooperation in the field of environment;
- Impact of national minorities issues on the security and stability of the European continent;

- Right to a healthy environment in international and regional documents;
- Aspects related to the domestic legal consecration of the right to a healthy environment;
- Obligations of the State regarding provision of the right to a healthy environment;
- The Danube – a binder of a united and tolerant Europe;
- European Union's policy in the field of environment;
- Human rights in case of armed conflicts;
- Environment law and criminal law;
- Solidarity and cooperation for the promotion of the right to a healthy environment;
- Right to environment – a fundamental human right;
- Ecologic globalization, economic globalization: where to?
- Let's promote a culture of non-violence and peace.

APPENDIX B

DRAFTS OF LAWS FOR WHICH IRDO PROVIDED DOCUMENTATIONS AND EXPRESSED ITS VIEWPOINTS

- Bill on domestic adoption;
- Bill on international adoption;
- Bill on ratifying the European Agreement on persons participating in the procedures before the European Court of Human Rights;
- Bill on ratifying the European Convention on the international effects of the denial of the right to drive a motor vehicle, adopted in Brussels on 30 June 1976;
- Bill on ratifying the European Agreement on persons participating in the procedures before the Commission and the European Court of Human Rights, adopted in London on 6 May 1969;
- Bill on ratifying the European Convention on violence and uncontrolled attitudes of spectators at sportive events, particularly football matches, adopted in Strasbourg on 19 August 1985;
- Legislative initiative on amending and supplementing Ordinance No. 32/1995 on the employment of higher education graduates;
- Legislative initiative on amending and supplementing Law No. 88/1993 on the accreditation of higher education units and acknowledgement of diplomas;
- Draft decision on measures for the prevention of and fighting against phenomena of ethnic discrimination;
- Bill on amending and supplementing the Criminal Code;

- Bill on amending and supplementing the Criminal Procedure Code;
- Bill on ratifying the European Agreement on persons participating in the procedures before the European Commission of Human Rights;
- Bill on the status of foreigners in Romania;
- Bill on approving Government Urgency Ordinance No. 36/1997 on amending the Education Act No. 84/1995;
- Legal initiative on defending freedom of expression through the media;
- Bill on withdrawing the reservation expressed by Romania to art. 22 in the International Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of racial Discrimination;
- Bill on approving affiliation of the Advocate of the People institution with the International Institute of Ombudsman and the European Institute of Ombudsman;
- Bill on the status of foreigners in Romania;
- Bill on ratifying the European Agreement on persons participating in the procedures before the European Court of Human Rights, adopted in Strasbourg on 5 March 1996;
- Bill on ratifying the 6th Additional Protocol to the General Agreement on the Privileges and Immunities of the Council of Europe, adopted in Strasbourg on 5 March 1996;
- Bill on ratifying the revised European Social Charter, adopted in Strasbourg on 3 May 1996;
- Bill on the establishment, organization and functioning of the National Council for the Professional Training of Adults;

- Bill on the protection of the Romanian citizens working abroad;
- Legislative initiative on the employment of youngsters that graduated higher education units, vocational schools, high schools, technical schools, and providing advantages for them and their employers;
- Legislative initiative on amending and supplementing the Law on the organization and functioning of the Advocate of the People institution;
- Bill on harmonizing certain provisions in the Criminal Code and the Criminal Procedure Code with Council of Europe Resolution 1123 (1997);
- Bill on approving Government Ordinance No. 94/1999 on Romania's participation in the procedures before the European Court of Human Rights and Council of Europe's Committee of Ministers and the conventions on amiable resolution

APPENDIX C

TRAINING-FOR TRAINERS COURSES

- Training course for law enforcement officers: police officers, civilian and military personnel in penitentiaries;
- Training course for lawyers, judges, prosecutors, on human rights in the administration of justice;
- "Teaching and learning human rights in primary schools" – training course for primary school teachers;
- "Teaching and learning human rights in secondary schools" – training course for the teaching staff in secondary schools;
- "European Convention on Human Rights" – course organized for students the National School for Political and Administrative Studies;
- Training course for teachers of law with the Police Academy, the Military Academy and the civilian faculties in the field;
- Training course for police officers, lawyers, judges and prosecutors on: "Human rights in the administration of justice";
- "Human rights and the State administration; prevention and resolution of the possible conflicts between the State administration and the citizen";
- "Women's rights", training course for women, organized in collaboration with the Embassy of Canada in Bucharest;
- Cycle of lessons for children on "Human rights start with the rights of the child", broadcast weekly on the "Planeta radio" transmission by station Romania Cultural;
- "Learning human rights – objectives and practical methods of implementation" – course organized in collaboration with the Ministry

of Education, with the participation of the specialized inspectors in all the counties of the country;

- Course on "Teaching and learning human rights in secondary schools", organized in Giurgiu, Buzău, Târgoviște, Suceava, Timișoara, etc.;
- Training debate for primary school teachers and teachers of human rights in pre-university educational units, organized in Sibiu, Vrancea, Pitești, Bistrița, Slobozia, etc.;
- Course on "Human rights in the administration of justice", with particular application for the exercise of the legal profession in the spirit of the promotion of ethics and human rights, belonging to the cycle "Human rights in action", included in the Project "Democratic Development" organized with the assistance of the Embassy of Canada in Bucharest;
- Pilot course on "Women's rights" belonging to the cycle of training-for-trainers courses in the field, organized with the assistance of the Embassy of Canada in Bucharest;
- Inter-county course on "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces", organized in Cluj and Bucharest;
- "Involvement of Teaching Staff Houses with the improvement of human rights in pre-university educational units" – training course with the participation of representatives of all the Teaching Staff Houses in country, organized in Suceava by IRDO, in collaboration with the Ministry of Education;
- Inter-county courses for the personnel in the unites of the Ministry of Internal Affairs on: "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces", organized in Hunedoara, Bacău and Iași;
- "Role of pedagogic high schools with training the future primary school teachers to teach human rights notions";

- Training course for documenters in the field of human rights on: "Computerized documentation systems in the field of human rights", organized by IRDO with the assistance of the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law in Lausanne;
- Training-for-trainers course for the medical staff on the right to health;
- Training courses in the field of human rights for the teaching staff in the pre-university educational system, organized by IRDO in collaboration with the Teaching Staff Houses of Tg. Mureş and Sf. Gheorghe;
- Training debate: "Human rights in the administration-citizen relationship", organized by IRDO in Iaşi;
- Inter-county training course for the staff in the units of the Ministry of Internal Affairs – second edition – on: "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces", organized in Craiova, Constanţa and Orşova;
- Training-for-trainers course in the field of human rights for methodologist teachers in the Teaching Staff Houses all over the country, organized together with the Ministry of National Education in Tg. Mureş;
- Training-for-trainers courses for the medical-sanitary staff on the human right to health, organized in the counties Braşov and Prahova and in Bucharest;
- Pilot course on "Human rights in the administration-citizen relationship", organized by IRDO in collaboration with the Local Public Administration Department;
- The periodic training for teachers and primary school teachers on: "Human rights education through the civic culture/education classes",

organized by the Teaching Staff House of Iași, in collaboration with IRDO;

- Training course for persons having powers in the administration of justice on "Reflection in the Romanian doctrine and jurisprudence of the principles laid down in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights", organized in collaboration with the Jurists' Union of Romania, the Society of Comparative Law and the Court of Appeal in Ploiești, on the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- Training course for employees in the field of public administration on: "Observance of human rights – a prerequisite in the citizen-administration relationship", organized by the Training Center for public administration in collaboration with IRDO;
- Training course for representatives of NGOs taking interest in the field of human rights on: "The law and human rights", organized by IRDO in collaboration with ANUROM, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights;
- Training course for employees in the public administration on: "Management and public administration", organized by the Training Center for public administration in collaboration with IRDO;
- Pilot course for public servants in the local administration organized by IRDO with the assistance of the Local Sector Councils and the General Council of the municipality of Bucharest, on human rights in the citizen-administration relationship and the tasks of the local public administration, for the observance and implementation of the revised European Social Charter;
- "Human rights in the citizen-administration relationship", organized by IRDO with the assistance of the Administrative Sciences

Department at the National School for Political and Administrative Studies and of the National Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration, in Bucharest, Ploiești and Cheia, concluded with the adoption of the Declaration of Cheia and creation of the Club of Cheia;

- Training-for-trainers course on: "Role of the local public administration with the implementation of the revised European Social Charter, organized in Sibiu by IRDO in collaboration with Territorial Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration;
- Course on: "Protection of children in distress", organized by the National Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration in collaboration with Department for Child Protection and IRDO;
- Pilot course on: "Human rights in the citizen-administration relationship, organized in Iași by IRDO in collaboration with the Territorial Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration;
- Training-for-trainers course on: "Role of the local public administration with the implementation of the revised European Social Charter", organized in Cluj in collaboration with the Territorial Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration;
- Training debate on: "Human rights in the citizen-administration relationship, organized by IRDO in collaboration with the Territorial Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration Craiova;

- Inter-county courses on "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces", organized in Braşov, Cluj-Napoca, and Bucharest;
- Course devoted to human rights education, democracy and a culture of peace in pre-university educational units, organized in collaboration with the Ministry of National Education, with the participation of the methodologist directors and teachers in the Teaching Staff Houses all over the country;
- Training-for-trainers course in the field of human rights for the local council specialists, organized in collaboration with the National Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the public administration;
- Training-for-trainers course on "Human rights in the citizen-administration relationship", organized in Sinaia, in collaboration with the National Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration;
- Inter-county training course for the staff in the units of the Ministry of Internal Affairs (3rd phase) on "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces", organized in Bucharest, Piteşti, Timişoara, Sibiu;
- Training course for the teaching staff in the field of human rights education, democracy and peace, organized in collaboration with the School Inspectorate and the Teaching Staff House in the county of Ilfov;
- Training-for-trainers course in the field of human rights for the local councils specialists and public servants, organized in Olimp in collaboration with the National Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the public administration;
- Training-for-trainers course in the field of human rights for the local councils specialists in urbanism, organized in collaboration with the

National Center for the Continuous Training of Employees in the local public administration;

- Course on: "Education for democracy and democratic citizenship", organized by IRDO in the framework of the Programme of partnership with the Ministry of National Education and in collaboration with the Teaching Staff House Galați and Center "Educația 2000 +";
- Training-for-trainers course in the field of human rights for mayors, deputy mayors, councilors with the local public administration and representatives of NGOs on "Civic participation in the local public administration by non-governmental organizations and the citizens", organized in Bușteni by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights in collaboration with the National Center for public administration;
- Master-degree courses organized by the UNESCO Chair for human rights, democracy and peace, coordinated by IRDO and the North University of Baia Mare;
- Inter-county training course for the personnel in police units: "Human rights and the activity of the public order forces", organized in Piatra Neamț;
- Continual training course on "Effective methods of moral-civic education for human rights and democracy", organized together with the Teaching Staff House Mureș for the teachers teaching the discipline *Education/civic culture* in primary and secondary schools situated in the neighborhood of Târgu Mureș and Luduș;
- Training course on "Human rights education" for teachers in the pre-university education units in the counties of Mureș and Bacău;
- Seminar on "New Treaties under the Council of Europe", with the participation of judges with the County Tribunals of Buzău, Dâmbovița, Prahova and the Court of Appeal of Ploiești;

- Continuous training course on "Effective methods of moral-civic education for human rights and democracy", devoted to teachers who teach the discipline "Civic Education/Culture" in primary and secondary schools situated in the neighbourhood of the cities of Târgu Mureş and Luduș;
- Training course for public servants holding leading positions in the central and local administration on "Government's strategy to improve the status of the Roma", organized by the Ministry of Administration and Internal Affairs – National Institute of Administration in collaboration with the Romanian Institute for Human Rights;
- Debate on human rights education activities, organized by the Romanian Institute for Human Rights at the Teaching Staff House of Bistrița.

APPENDIX D

COLLOQUIUMS, SYMPOSIUMS, SEMINARS, DEBATES ORGANIZED BY IRDO OR IN COLLABORATION

- *Right to life, right to birth*, debate organized in collaboration with Radio-România Cultural, broadcast in the framework of the "Mediatica" transmission;
- *Human rights concept*, roundtable organized in collaboration with Radio-România Cultural, broadcast in the framework of the "Mediatica" transmission;
- *European Convention on Human Rights and freedom of the press*, seminar in collaboration with the Romanian Television and the Romanian Radio Broadcasting societies;
- *Religious freedom in democracy*, international seminar organized in collaboration with the International Academy for Freedom of Religion and Belief;
- *Human rights start with the rights of the child*, training course for children broadcast weekly in the framework of the "Planeta Radio" transmission;
- *Human rights in the administration of justice, in the light of the European Convention on Human Rights and its Additional Protocols*, roundtable organized in collaboration with the National Institute for the Training and Perfecting of Magistrates;
- *Learning human rights – a method to prepare children to assume responsibilities in a free society*, debate organized with the participation of representatives of governmental and non-governmental authorities;

- Scientific reunion devoted to the *European Convention on Human Rights*, where Mr. Michel Melchior, former member of the European Commission of Human Rights lectured on "*Recourse before the Commission and the European Court of Human Rights*";
- *Civic education through human rights – a topical discipline in the process of education*, radio-broadcast course on human rights, in collaboration with Radio România Cultural and broadcast in the framework of the "Planeta Radio" transmission;
- *Human rights in action*, seminar in the cycle "*Human rights in the administration of justice*", with special reference to the exercise of the lawyer's profession in the spirit of promoting ethics and human rights;
- *Learning human rights – objectives and practical ways of implementation*, symposium organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Education and Research;
- *Documentation in the field of economic, social and cultural human rights*, international seminar;
- Symposium on *The system of documentation, information and publications of the Council of Europe*;
- Roundtable on *Human right to health*;
- Seminar on *Rights of the child preparation of an adequate legislation on the social integration of children and adolescents in distress*;
- *Human rights. The right to individual appeal in Strasbourg is an exceptional procedure; circumstances when it may be exercised*;
- Conference on *The documentation system in the field of human rights applicable at European level*;
- Conference on *Free movement in Central and Eastern Europe*;
- Debate on *Right to a healthy environment – a right of the 3rd generation of human rights*;

- Roundtable on *Protection of human rights and the role of administration in Western, Central and Eastern Europe*;
- Scientific reunion on *Positivism and sociologism – the 2nd pole with the philosophy of human rights*;
- Roundtable on *Diplomatic evaluation of the application of the international legal instruments for the protection of the rights of refugee children*;
- Roundtable on *European campaign against racism, xenophobia, anti-Semitism and intolerance*, organized in collaboration with the Council for National Minorities;
- Roundtable on *Electoral rights in international regulations*;
- Seminar on *Universal and regional international instruments regarding the conscientious objection*;
- Debate on *Revised European Social Charter*;
- Debate on *Defence of human rights and fundamental freedoms by means of thorough control of the constitutionality of laws*;
- Seminar on *Cultural rights – fundamental human rights such as they are provided for in Romania's legislation and in the international documents*;
- International seminar on *Democracy and the rule of law*;
- *Implementation of the provisions in the international documents referring to human rights and the fundamental freedoms*, international debate with the participation of Mr. Wolfgang Strasser and Mrs. Maria Schaffer, representatives of Council of Europe's European Commission of Human Rights, and the participation of judges with the Supreme Court of Justice, the Tribunal of the Municipality of Bucharest, lawyers, experts from the Ministry of Internal Affairs, representatives of non-governmental organizations, where actual cases

regarding the observance or the violation of human rights in Romania were debated upon;

- Symposium on *Learning human rights – objectives and methods of implementation*, organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Education;
- International seminar on tolerance, organized in Bucharest under the patronage of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the Council of Europe and the Government of Romania, in collaboration with UNESCO, the Council for National Minorities and the Romanian Institute for Human Rights;
- International colloquium on *Didactic methods and means with the teaching of human rights in pre-university education units*, organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Education;
- Debate on *Rights of children, women and the family – an integral part of human rights*, with the participation of representatives of non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of the rights of the child;
- Roundtable on *Right to free movement*, with the participation of jurists, police officers, researchers;
- Roundtable on *Rights of the youth in domestic and international regulations*, with the participation of representatives of governmental bodies and non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights;
- Roundtable on the interpretation of *Council of Europe Recommendation 1201* by the European Commission for Democracy through Law, with the participation of representatives of governmental and non-governmental organizations and the media;

- Roundtable on *Local autonomy, territorial integrity and protection of minorities*, as viewed by the experts participating in the seminar on the same topic organized by the European Commission for Democracy through Law and experts from the Swiss Institute of Comparative Law of Lausanne, with the participation of scientific researchers and representatives of NGOs in the field of human rights;
- International colloquium on *European dialogue on humanitarian rights*, organized by the Romanian Institute of International Studies, the International Institute of Humanitarian Law, in collaboration with the Romanian Institute for Human Rights and the Romanian Association of Humanitarian Law;
- Debate on *Nature and context of the exercise of the rights of persons belonging to minorities*, with the participation of scientific researchers, representatives of minorities and NGOs in the field of human rights;
- Roundtable on *Diplomatic evaluation of the application of the international legal instruments for the protection of the rights of refugee children*, with the participation of representatives of the Ministry of Labor and Social Protection and NGOs;
- Debate on *Implementation of the international and the national regulations regarding protection of the environment*;
- Roundtable on *Rights of the European citizen. Aspects regarding the limitation of free movement and stay on the territory of States*;
- 4th meeting of human rights institutes in the Council of Europe Member states – in Strasbourg, France;
- Seminar on *Universal and regional international standards on conscientious objection*;
- Colloquium on *National priorities with the European standards of Romania's integration*;

- National seminar on *European Court of Human Rights – organization and procedures*, with the participation of lawyers, researchers, representatives of non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights;
- Debate on *Equality of opportunities in Central and Eastern Europe*, with the participation of Mrs. Anna Raduchowska Brochnitz, Director of the Regional Center Assistance for Equality of Opportunities, and representatives of NGOs taking interest in the field;
- Debate on *Revised European Social Charter*, organized in collaboration with the Constitutional Court, with the participation of Mrs. Claire Dubois Hamdi, Council of Europe Expert;
- International seminar on tolerance, organized in Bucharest under the patronage of the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe (OSCE), the Council of Europe and the Government of Romania, in collaboration with UNESCO, the Council for National Minorities;
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- Debate on *Economic and social human rights*;
- Roundtable on *Rights of the European citizen. Aspects regarding the limitation of free movement and stay on the territory of States*;
- Debate on *Evolution of the economic human rights at regional level after the signing of the Single European Act*;
- Seminar on *Universal and regional international standards on conscientious objection*;
- *Tourism and human rights* – roundtable devoted to the right to free movement, on the occasion of the 2nd anniversary of the Schengen

Agreement and two years since the adoption of the Declaration of Bucharest on tourism and human rights;

- Colloquium on *National priorities with the European standards of Romania's integration*;
- National seminar on *European Court of Human Rights – organization and procedures*, with the participation of lawyers, researchers, representatives of non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights;
- Colloquium on *Romania and the Council of Europe*, organized on the occasion of the 4th anniversary of Romania's accession to the Council of Europe;
- Colloquium on *European Court of Human Rights – organization and procedures. Aspects concerning the implementation of Protocol 11 of the European Convention on Human Rights*, organized in collaboration with the Chamber of Deputies' Commission on Human Rights, Cults and National Minorities Issues and the Senate's Commission on Human Rights;
- International colloquium on *International, regional and national human rights standards and the mechanisms for their protection*;
- Debate on *Human rights – interdependences and indivisibility*, with the participation of university professors, researcher and students;
- Roundtable on *Human rights – universality and specificity*, with the participation of university professors, researchers and students;
- Debate on *International standards on equality of opportunities and the domestic legislation*;
- Roundtable on *Elderly persons' right to social protection between possibilities and requirements*, with the participation of representatives

of governmental and non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights;

- Debate on *Right to life, freedom and security*, with the participation of researchers, representatives of governmental bodies, non-governmental organizations taking interest in the field of human rights, students;
- Roundtable on *Rights of the child, Domestic and international regulations*;
- Roundtable organized by IRDO to celebrate 3 years since Romania ratified Protocol 11 to the Convention on the Defence of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms, regarding the re-organization of the control mechanism under the Convention;
- Debate organized to celebrate 30 years since the Convention on the Citizenship of Married Women entered into force and 20 years since the European Convention on the Legal Status of Children Born out of Wedlock was adopted in Strasbourg;
- Roundtable on *Elimination of illiteracy – an prerequisite with the achievement of the right to education*, organized on the occasion of the International Literacy Day;
- Colloquium on *Economic, social and cultural rights on the eve of the 3rd millennium*;
- Roundtable on *Non-discrimination – a fundamental principle of human rights*;
- Roundtable on *Relationship between the protection of human rights, included in the national constitutions, at national level, and their protection at the Community's level, with a view to ensure the enjoyment of the fundamental rights and freedoms*, with the participation of Mr. Antonio La Pergola, Attorney General with the

Court of Justice of the European Community and president of the Commission for Democracy and Law in Venice;

- Colloquium on *Evolution of human rights the Europe of the last 50 years*, organized on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Council of Europe;
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- Seminar on *European Convention on Human Rights*, organized on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of the Convention on the Defence of Human Rights and Fundamental Freedoms;
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- Seminar on *Non-discrimination. An equal justice for all*;
- Roundtable on *European Convention on Combating Terrorism*;
- Debate on the UN Convention and the European Convention in the field of racial discrimination – a comparative analysis devoted to the International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination;
- Roundtable on *Right to free movement*, organized to celebrate 5 years since the Agreement of Schengen came into force and since the Agreement on tourism and human rights was adopted in Bucharest;
- Debate on *Legal guaranties of the civil and political rights*;
- Debate on *Legal assistance in criminal matters*, organized on the occasion of the adoption of the European Convention on Legal Assistance in Criminal Matters, Strasbourg, 20 April 1959;
- Roundtable on *Educational means for combating racism and racial discrimination, xenophobia, anti-Semitism and intolerance*;
- Roundtable on *Child adoption and the international standards*;
- Debate on *Abolition of the death penalty, a guaranty of the right to life*;
- Roundtable on *European integration and human rights*, organized on the occasion of Europe's Day;
- Conference on *Human rights in Europe*, delivered by Mr. Roland Drago, member of the French Institute, emeritus professor with Panthéon University – Assas, Paris II;
- Roundtable on *50th anniversary of the European Convention on Human Rights of the Council of Europe*, organized by the Chamber of Deputies' Commission on Human Rights, Cults and National Minorities Issues, the Romanian Institute for Human Rights, the

Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Ministry of Justice and Council of Europe's Center of Information and Documentation in Bucharest;

- Roundtable on *Education and ways of realizing the imperatives of fighting against racism, racial discrimination and extremism*;
- Colloquium on *Human rights: science, instruments and methods*;
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- Roundtable on *Human rights in the light to European integration*, organized on the occasion of Europe's Day;
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- Debate on *Priorities in the field of human rights*;
- Debate on *The legal and the international framework of the national minorities in Romania*;
- Roundtable on *Integrated approaches of equality of opportunities and treatment*;
- Working session on *Observance of the European norms on the economic, social and cultural rights*;
- Debate on *10 years since Romania's accession to the Council of Europe*;
- Working session on *Education of the younger generation for the promotion of human rights, tolerance, and democracy in combating any form of discrimination*;
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