



The Parliament of Montenegro

## Experts discussion

# „Human rights in Montenegro – from the Referendum until the beginning of the EU negotiations“

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## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. It is important to strengthen institutions additionally and provide appropriate budgets, staff and administrative capacities in institutions competent for human rights area. It is important to improve cooperation between institutions and conduct trainings for employees related to human rights, especially in the closed type of institutions. Also, it is important to improve cooperation of the Government and its institutions with nongovernmental sector.
2. After reported statements on serious violations of human rights, such as discrimination and torture, competent institutions should conduct urgent, independent, and efficient investigations that would result in sanctioning of all persons who violated human rights.
3. It is important to provide right to fair trial and access to court for all citizens, but especially to promote Law on free legal aid in the part related to victims of family violence, marginalized social groups and children with no parental care.
4. It is important to strengthen the role of women and their representation and to work additionally on human rights of women.
5. It is important to improve rights of disabled persons and to regulate the work of the Fund for professional rehabilitation, aiming at the use of overall finances of the Fund for improvement of the status of disabled persons.
6. It is important to work additionally on rights of children and to harmonize national regulations with international standards in the area of human rights of children.
7. It is important to adopt legislation in the area of alternative sanctions and to organize trainings for the staff of Institution for enforcement of penal sanctions (ZIKS) in area of human rights, in cooperation with nongovernmental and international organizations.
8. It is important to develop values and long-term planning when it comes to human rights. All relevant institutions, including civil sector, should work on human rights, bearing in mind the final goal and the impact they want to achieve through projects and activities.