

Center for Legal Civic Initiatives has initiated the implementation of the project:

“Empowering the Law Clinic course in the Faculty of Law, by increasing the students’ capacity and practical skills for providing legal service for people in need”.

Implementation Period: May – December 2014.

This project is made in collaboration with the Faculty of Law UT, with the support of USAID’s Albanian Justice Sector Strengthening Project (JuST).

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The implementation of this project aims to strengthen the Law Clinic and to increase students’ skills, in order for them to voluntarily contribute in increasing people’s access in the justice system and in particular of those in need.

The main issue that we aim to solve through the implementation of this project is supporting categories in need by offering free of charge legal service and increasing the quality of this service by consulting Law Clinic’s pedagogues at the Faculty of Law. Furthermore, we aim to increase student’s capacities, whose engagement in practical activities will increase their competitiveness in the labor market.

Various activities of the project:

- Offering free of charge legal service for the categories in need, especially for the victims of the domestic violence. Under the supervision of the lawyer of the Center for Legal Civic Initiatives, the students of the Law Clinic will offer free of charge legal service especially for the categories in need. This legal service will consist on legal informing of the community, on legal counseling for different legal issues of the cases of girls and women in need, on preparation of the legal opinion, etc.
- Organizing different conversations with the students of the Law Clinic and the Faculty of Law, in order to promote activities that will be organized under the framework of this project.

- An imitating conversation will be realized by the students of the Law Clinic based upon the debate between the judges Antonin Scalia and Stephen Bryer of the Supreme Court of USA.
- Two simulated court cases will be prepared and organized based on two cases supported with free legal aid from the Center for Legal Civic Initiatives.
- Collaboration with the Media and justice organs during the period of the implementation of the project, aiming at increasing the visibility of the Law Clinic in the eyes of the public.

The expected results from the implementation of the project and corresponding indicators:

- ✓ 40 victims of gender based violence and women in need will benefit from free legal aid, offered under the frame of the implementation of this project.
- ✓ Knowledge and practical skills of 60 students who have selected the subject of Law Clinic and other students of Law Faculty, Tirana University are strengthened.
- ✓ Knowledge of 30 students, participants in the simulating court cases related to different juridical debates on national level are increased.
- ✓ Increasing the level of information on the subject of Law Clinic and the contribution of it's students through making public the activity of Law Clinic in the websites of Law Faculty, Tirana University and CLCI of the project activity and organization of 20 informing meetings.
- ✓ Cooperation of the Center for Legal Civic Initiatives with Law Clinic and Law Faculty, Tirana University is strengthened.
- ✓ The cooperation of Law Clinic and the Center for Legal Civic Initiatives with written and electronic media is increased.
- ✓ Voluntarism is promoted to the students of Law Faculty, Tirana University and other members of the community.
- ✓ The number of beneficiaries from free legal services of CLCI is increased, through referral of cases from responsible institutions and cases submitted directly from community.