

**Superior Courts Network
Forum¹**

10 June 2022

Agenda

**Seminar Room, European Court of Human Rights, Strasbourg
(KUDO connection link will be provided to external participants)**

9:30 **Opening of the Forum**

Robert Spano, President of the European Court of Human Rights (ECHR)

Christos Giakoumopoulos, Director General, Directorate General Human Rights and Rule of Law (DGI), Council of Europe

Marialena Tsirli, Registrar, ECHR

Session 1

Chaired by: **Gabriele Kucsko-Stadlmayer**, Judge, President of the Fourth Section, ECHR

10:00 **Domestic violence: the ECHR/Council of Europe perspective**

10:00- 10:20 **Síofra O’Leary**, Judge, Vice-President of the Court, President of the Fifth Section, ECHR

Combatting Domestic violence – the ECHR toolbox

10:20-10:40 **Johanna Nelles**, Executive Secretary, Group of Experts on Action against Violence against Women and Domestic Violence (GREVIO), Council of Europe

The Istanbul Convention – Ten Years of Implementation

10:40-11:00 **Aida Grgic Boulais**, Lawyer, ECHR

Discrimination through violence: gender-based violence against women in the ECHR case-law

Discussion

11:15 Coffee break

¹ The SCN Forum is the annual meeting of the Focal Points of the Network. The [SCN Operational Rules](#) therefore apply to all participants.

11:30 **Domestic violence: the national perspective**

11:30 - 11:50 **Blaž Možina**, Head of Analysis and Research Division (Case-law Department),
Supreme Court of Slovenia

Domestic Violence - The Power of Law

11:50 - 12:10 **Mücahit Aydın**, Rapporteur Judge, Constitutional Court of Türkiye

The Turkish Constitutional Court's Case-law on Violence against Women

12:10 - 12:30 **Aleksandra Vukašinić**, Head of the Office of the President, Constitutional Court of
Montenegro

**Social and anthropological influences on resolving legal disputes on domestic
violence in Montenegro**

Discussion

12:45-14:15 **Lunch break**

Session 2 - Exchanges on the know-how of the courts: judicial communication

Chaired by: **Hasan Bakırcı**, Section Registrar, ECHR

Thank you again to everyone who participated in this morning's session on the pressing topic of domestic violence. During Session 2 of the Forum, we'll exchange "Know-How" on strengthening judicial communication, an important responsibility common to both the European Court and the member courts of the SCN.

This session will commence with a speech by Patrick Titiun, the Head of the Private Office of the President of the European Court.

Next, we'll hear from William Valasidis, the Director of the Directorate of Communication at the Court of Justice of the European Union (CJEU), who will share some of that court's leading judicial communication practices.

Session 2 will conclude with a presentation by Aliya Al-Yassin AND Isabella Buono, Judicial Assistants to the Justices of the Supreme Court of the United Kingdom.

14:30-14:50 **Patrick Titiun**, Head of the Private Office of the President, ECHR

Communication policy of the European Court of Human Rights

14:50-15:10 **William Valasidis**, Director of the Directorate of Communication, Court of Justice of
the European Union (CJEU)

**Judicial communication as a means to increase the citizens' trust in the EU system
of administration of Justice**

15:10-15:30 **Aliya Al-Yassin** and **Isabella Buono**, Judicial Assistants to the Justices of the Supreme
Court of the United Kingdom

Bringing the public in: communication strategies of the UK Supreme Court

15:30 *Discussion*

16:00 **Closing remarks**

Anna Austin, Jurisconsult, ECHR