





2nd Gender Equality and the Western Balkans Judicial Forum

2-3 June 2023 Belgrade, Serbia Metropol Palace Hotel Belgrade Hall "Nikola Tesla"



Friday, 2 June 2023		
08.00-09.00	Registration Location: Hall "Nikola Tesla"	
09.00-09.30	Press statements	
09.30-10.10	Welcome and Introduction to the Forum	
	Master of Ceremonies: Ognen Janeski	
	Biljana Braithwaite, Western Balkans Programme Director, the AIRE Centre	
	Opening Speeches:	
	Brankica Janković, Commissioner for Protection of Equality, Serbia	
	Alicia Herbert OBE, Director of Education, Gender and Equalities and the UK's Special Envoy for Gender Equality, Foreign Commonwealth and Development Office of the United Kingdom	
10.10-10.30	Keynote Speech	
	Síofra O'Leary, President of the European Court of Human Rights	







	Panel Discussion 1: Institutional responses to femicide and gender-based violence – operational obligations under Articles 2, 3, 8 and 14 ECHR
10.30-11.40	<u>Moderator: Mirjana Lazarova Trajkovska</u> , Judge on the Supreme Court of North Macedonia and former Judge of the ECtHR (North Macedonia)
	Ivana Jelić, Judge on the European Court of Human Rights (Montenegro)
	loannis Ktistakis, Judge on the European Court of Human Rights (Greece)
	Robert Spano , President of the Board of Patrons, former President of the European Court of Human Rights and Partner at Gibson Dunn (Iceland)
11.40-12.00	Coffee Break
12.00-13.15	Panel Discussion 2: Procedural obligations to
	investigate, prosecute and punish femicide and gender-
	based violence under Articles 2, 3, 8 and 14 ECHR
	<u>Moderator: Ledi Bianku, Judge on the Constitutional Court of Bosnia and</u> Herzegovina and former Judge on the European Court of Human Rights (Albania)
	Erik Wennerström, Judge on the European Court of Human Rights (Sweden)
	Saadet Yüksel, Judge on the European Court of Human Rights (Turkey)
	Kateřina Šimáčková, Judge on the European Court of Human Rights (Czech Republic)
13.15-14.30	Lunch
	Location: Restaurant "44 Parallel" (Ground floor)
14.30-15.00	The documentary film "Šejla"
	Velibor Čović, Screenwriter and Director
	The story of Šejla, a girl who asked for protection and didn't get it. She was killed on her doorstep. Her murder raised several thousand people to their feet, who sent a clear message from the squares of Montenegrin cities: Enough is enough. This film is about Šejla, a nineteen-year-old victim of femicide and one of the examples of the dysfunctionality, slowness and untimely action of the system in order to protect against violence. The film is dedicated to all women victims of violence.







15.00-15.20	Presentation on the Regional study of femicide
	Kosana Beker, Program Director, FemPlatz
15.20-15.40	Coffee Break
15.40-16.50	Panel Discussion 3: Penal Policy in respect of femicide and gender-based violence
	Moderator: Kosana Beker, Program Director, FemPlatz
	Selvete Gërxhaliu Krasniqi, Judge of the Constitutional Court of Kosovo
	Maja Raičević, Director of the Women's Rights Centre
	Mustafa Hajrulahi, Public Prosecutor of the Higher Prosecution Office Skopje
16.50-17.00	Day 1 Concluding remarks
	Biljana Braithwaite, Western Balkans Programme Director, the AIRE Centre
19.00-20.00	Cocktail reception
	Location: Rooftop bar Twenty Two
19.30-21.30	Dinner
	Location: Restaurant "44 Parallel" (Ground floor)