

Cases and rulings

Country Code	Year	Reference details title	Reference details URL	Hate Bias motivation	Court / Body	Key facts of the case	Results (sanctions, outcome) and key consequences or implications of the case	Main reasoning / argumentation	Key issues (concepts, interpretations) clarified by the case	Key quotation in original language and translated into English with reference details
Greece	2014	Greece / First Instance Court of Thessaloniki		Racial or ethnic origin	First Instance Court of Thessaloniki	In April 2013, a public bus driver in Thessaloniki was accused of discrimination. He stopped the bus and ordered two African passengers to get off the bus, claiming that they were not holding valid tickets. According to witnesses the actual motive was related to the racial origin of the two passengers, since, after they got off, the driver screamed that he was "chrysafgitis", i.e. a fan of the Golden Dawn, and showed a medallion with the symbol of the "Golden Dawn" party in an effort to frighten other passengers who reacted to his behaviour.	The driver was sentenced to ten months of imprisonment, suspended for three years, and given a fine of 1,000 euros.	The Court found the driver guilty of denial of access to services for racist motives, quoting Article 16 "Implementation of the principle of equal treatment regardless of ethnic or racial origin, religious or other belief, disability, age, sexual orientation".		The decision is not available on line in competent Court website or in any other legal data base.

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