



Helping to make fundamental rights
a reality for everyone in the European Union



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EUROPEAN UNION AGENCY FOR FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS



The FRA...

...collects and analyses data and information on fundamental rights in the EU and its Member States, by:

- conducting comparative socio-legal research;
- collecting and analysing reliable and comparable data on the situation on the ground;
- identifying promising practices and existing challenges;
- publishing legal and/or social science analyses of fundamental rights topics;
- providing a state-of-play review of fundamental rights across the EU in its Annual Report.

...provides evidence-based advice on fundamental rights to decision makers, by:

- formulating opinions and conclusions based on the evidence collected;
- providing a fundamental rights analysis of draft legislation at the request of EU institutions;
- developing tools and training materials for professionals such as teachers, journalists, police and legal practitioners;
- facilitating the exchange of promising practices.

...cooperates with its partners, by:

- providing assistance and expertise to EU institutions and Member States;
- working with national, regional and local governments within the EU;
- partnering with international organisations, the Council of Europe in particular, the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe;
- interacting closely with human rights institutions and equality bodies;
- hosting the Fundamental Rights Platform – a network of civil society organisations.

...promotes rights awareness, by:

- acting as a hub of expertise and knowledge on fundamental rights;
- raising awareness of fundamental rights, including through the FRA website, social media, videos, brochures and events.



Fundamental rights are minimum standards of treatment that guarantee respect for each person's dignity. They are set out in the Charter of Fundamental Rights of the European Union, which is legally binding for the EU Institutions and for all 27 EU Member States when they implement EU legislation. Its Chapters – Dignity, Freedoms, Equality, Solidarity, Citizens' Rights, Justice and General Provisions – list the rights, freedoms and principles recognised by the EU.

The European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA), established in 2007, provides the EU and its Member States with assistance and expertise on fundamental rights.



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