

training on human rights

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- ❖ **How to become a judge**
- ❖ **Training**
- ❖ **Developing the training on Human Rights**
- ❖ **Main tools**
- ❖ **Practical experiences**

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- ❖ **How to become a judge or public prosecutor**
 - ❖ **University degree**
 - ❖ **Four years training on the job**
 - ❖ **Theoretical courses**

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- ❖ **Developing the training on human rights**
- ❖ **Austrian Judges Association**
 - ❖ **Subgroup „Fundamental Rights and Interdisciplinary Exchange“**
- ❖ **Federal Ministry of Justice**
- ❖ **NGOs**

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- ❖ **First round table meeting**
 - ❖ **Results:**
 - ❖ **Three consecutive days**
 - ❖ **Provide theoretical knowledge**
 - ❖ **Apply this knowledge to practical cases**
 - ❖ **Preparation of a handbook**

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- ❖ Second round table meeting
 - ❖ **Results:**
 - ❖ **Different categories of training cases**
 - ❖ **Complex cases for group work**
 - ❖ **Smaller cases to serve as examples for theoretical training**
 - ❖ **Developing the handbook**

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- ❖ **The handbook**

- ❖ **Judges prepared practical cases**

- ❖ **Facts and solutions according to Austrian law**

- ❖ **NGOs enriched the cases with information on human right issues**

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- ❖ **Training of the trainer seminar**
 - ❖ **Ministry of Justice**
 - ❖ **Trainee judges**
 - ❖ **Future trainers**
 - ❖ **Representatives of NGOs**
 - ❖ **Judges involved in the preparation of the handbook**

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- ❖ **Introduction of the theoretical background**
- ❖ **Presentation of the prepared cases**
- ❖ **Tandem system**
 - ❖ **Member of the judiciary - member of NGO,**
 - ❖ **Different approaches**

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- ❖ **Feedback on the structure**
 - ❖ **Trainee judges: shorter and more simple cases**
 - ❖ **Future Trainers: well structured cases and clear solutions to provide consistent results**
 - ❖ **Very positive: Tandem system**

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- ❖ **Handbook was completed**
- ❖ **April 2008 first human rights training for future magistrates started in Graz**

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- ❖ **The three day module:**
 - ❖ **Legal sources and dogmatic principles**
 - ❖ **Specific methods of interpretation for human rights cases**
 - ❖ **Typical Austrian cases**
 - ❖ **Criminal law**
 - ❖ **Civil law**
 - ❖ **Data base of the European Union and Council of Europe, ECHR**
 - ❖ **Art 6 and its consequences for civil and criminal procedures**

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❖ Tandem system

- ❖ One lecturer from within the judiciary
- ❖ One expert from a human rights NGO
- ❖ Rather expensive but high level of quality

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❖ Organised decentralised

- ❖ Three different venues in Austria
- ❖ Not only one fixed staff but local trainers
- ❖ Bigger pool of experts

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- ❖ **Since April 2008 about 160 trainee judges participated in 8 seminars**
- ❖ **Great success**
- ❖ **But still work in progress**
 - ❖ **Working with interpreters**

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- ❖ **Practical cases**

 - ❖ **Civil law**

 - ❖ **Criminal law**

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❖ **Costs**

- ❖ **Trainers: € 2.000,-- including the preparation of the handbook**
- ❖ **€ 4.000,-- accommodation for trainers and trainees**

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