# **OSCE** ODIHR HATE CRIME REPORTING

### Moldova Hate Crime Report 2014

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#### Summary

Moldova regularly reports hate crime data to ODIHR. In 2017, ODIHR and the OSCE Mission to Moldova co-organized a workshop for police, prosecutors and civil society on understanding and improving hate crime recording and data collection, which led to a set of recommendations for relevant state authorities.

Moldova has set up a "Strategic Group" tasked with identifying gaps in the capacity of police to effectively identify and investigate hate crimes. Moldova's National Human Rights Action Plan (2018-2022) also addresses hate crimes, and has provided a basis for the adoption of internal action plans related to hate crime recording and data collection, hate crime investigation, and hate crime training.

Following a request by Moldova's Ministry of Justice, in 2016, ODIHR provided a legal opinion on draft amendments related to bias-motivated offences. ODIHR's recommendations were largely reflected in amendments to the Criminal Code adopted by the Moldovan Parliament and published on 3 June 2022.

Hate crime data collection in Moldova Support for hate crime victims in Moldova Hate crime capacity building in Moldova Moldova's hate crime legislation

#### **ODIHR's Key Observation**

ODIHR observes that Moldova has not reported information on sentenced hate crime cases to ODIHR.



### **Official Data**

Year	Hate crimes recorded by police	Prosecuted	Sentenced
2014	1	1	not available



#### Police data by bias motivation

#### Racist and xenophobic hate crime

Official figures recorded one case of damage to property on the basis of ethnic hatred.



### Police data by type of crime

Damage to property



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#### **National Developments**

A number of conferences on the issues of discrimination and hate crimes were held as part of the implementation of the "National Human Rights Action Plan 2011-2014." ODIHR and the **Office of the Ombudsman – Centre for Human Rights** coorganized a two-day workshop on combating hate crimes for employees of the Ombudsman's Office.

The **Centre for Human Rights**, with support from the **United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (OHCHR)** and **ABA ROLI**, organized two round-tables discussing hate crime provisions in national legislation. Participants included judges, investigators, prosecutors and civil society groups.

The **Ministry of Justice** set up an inter-institutional working group to revise and improve Moldova's Criminal Code provisions addressing hate crimes. The **OSCE Mission to Moldova** is represented in the working group.

A 12-hour course for judges and prosecutors on "Prevention and the fight against racial discrimination and intolerance" was introduced at the **National Institute of Justice (NIJ)**. The course also deals with prosecuting hate crimes. A seminar for prosecutors and judges on investigating and examining hate crimes was organized at the **NIJ**, in co-operation with **ABA ROLI**. The **NIJ**, the **International Organization of Migration (IOM)** and the **Moldovan Centre for Human Rights** organized an additional workshop for prosecutors and judges on "Hate crimes and integration of foreigners: challenges and solutions".



## Incidents reported by civil society

No data reported to ODIHR.

