

Project title: Mapping Lithuania's Human Rights System

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Survey on the Structure of National Human Rights Systems Questionnaire

Leadership:

- In your country, is there an **institution or other governmental entity** (e.g., ministerial or cabinet-level position, commission, council, etc.) that is **responsible for coordinating** and/or **overseeing** the development and execution of **the national human rights policy**? If yes, what is it and what are its main functions?
- Does your country develop and implement a **National Human Rights Action Plan** or an equivalent document? If yes, what human rights topics does it cover and how is the implementation of the plan monitored?

Inter-institutional Cooperation:

- How does the government of your country approach inter-institutional cooperation regarding human rights policies? Is there a **unified inter-institutional body** responsible for coordinating efforts across different human rights issues, or **specialised inter-institutional bodies** or committees dedicated to specific human rights topics?
- How is **responsibility for inter-institutional human rights topics** divided in the government of your country (for example, anti-Semitism, policy regarding ethnic and national minorities, LGBTQIA+ rights, children's rights, etc.)? Is there an institution or other political body that is primarily responsible for policymaking and policy implementation in such topics, or is responsibility shared between several institutions?
- In your country, is there a mechanism for resolving situations where **the responsibility for a specific human rights topic or issue is unclear among institutions**?

Implementing International Recommendations:

- Does the government of your country have a **standardised process or mechanism** in place for implementing recommendations received from international organisations into the national human rights framework?

Cooperation with Non-governmental Institutions:

- How do governmental institutions or other political bodies in your **country consult civil society and non-governmental organisations** to gather input on human rights issues?
- Is there a mechanism to **pay representatives of NGOs** and other civil society organisations for participation in consultations, working groups meetings and other formats of cooperation organised by the government? If yes, briefly explain how the mechanism works.

Effective Remedy:

- What kind of **independent human rights institutions**, such as ombudsman offices or commissions does your country have? Please specify their names and the main functions. Do these institutions have the authority to investigate and address human rights complaints independently?
- How is the **general public informed** about the options of effective remedy available to them in case of experiencing a human rights violation?

Human Rights Education:

- Are government officials in your country provided with **training on human rights principles and standards**? What topics, that you know of, such training covers? Do you know of governmental institutions in your country where training related to human rights is mandatory?