

# Hate crimes and social inclusion: Addressing inequality for sustainable development

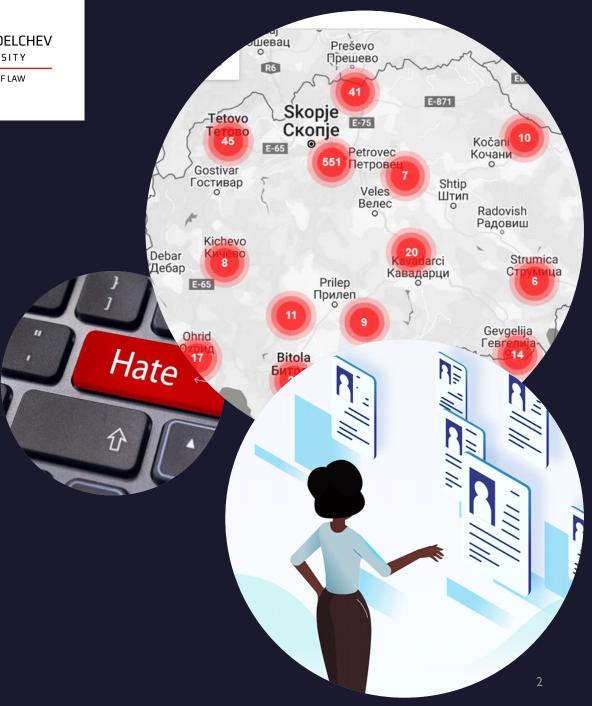
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### Understanding Hate Crimes

Hate crimes are criminal acts motivated by bias or prejudice against a person's identity (e.g., race, religion, gender, sexual orientation)







Your honor, how can it be considered a 'hate crime' if my client loved doing it



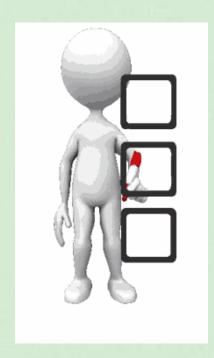


North Macedonia case -Several changes of the legal framework – most important the amendments in 2018 & 2020

• "A hate crime expressly provided by the provisions of this Code is considered a criminal offense against a natural or legal person and related persons or property committed in whole or in part due to a real or presumed (imagined, conceived) characteristic or connection of the person on grounds of race, skin color, nationality, ethnicity, religion or belief, mental or physical disability, gender, gender identity, sexual orientation and political belief."

## Collecting data for hate crime cases & addressing HC

Problem – the law enforcements do not always check the box for hate crime in every hate crime case – independently of the fact - if they are not trained to recognize hate crime





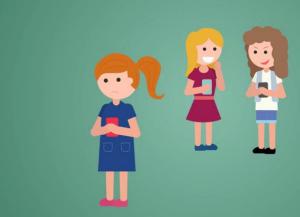
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Connection to Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)

How Hate Crimes Affect SDGs?







### Hate crimes & SDG's

According to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, "sustainable development cannot be realised without peace and security for everyone; and peace and security will be at risk without sustainable development"



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Hate Crimes vs. Social Inclusion

















Bulgaria's vigilante migrant 'hunter'

sparks new race row over Oscars

Xenophobic displays – great part of the public discourse
The media started to move in a very dangerous direction presenting the migrants, refugees, and asylum seekers as the next criminals at large – bullies, terrorist, sexual offenders, painting a picture that societies with large number of migrants, refugees and asylum seekers will be the next in line for threats to the public safety, national security, national identity, violence ...

### Promoting Social Inclusion as a

Response

Strategies for Social Inclusion







### Conclusion



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