

MONITORING OF HATE SPEECH IN THE WESTERN BALKANS Project: Anti-Hate Speech in Western Balkans

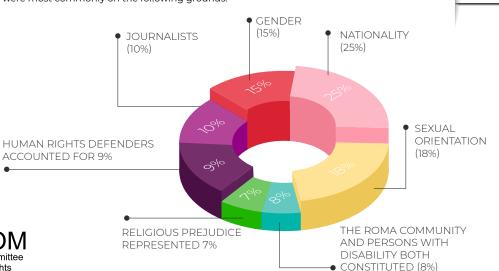
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Serbia

In the observation period from January to May, the Human Rights organization YUCOM identified that infringements concerning the prohibition of discrimination predominantly manifested as hate speech via social networks. These offenses were most commonly on the following grounds:





Kosovo

During the period January-May 2023, YOUTH INITIATIVE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS-KOSOVO-YIHR-KS registered cases with elements of hate speech and harassment on various grounds.

THE SCHOOL SHOOTING IN BELGRADE, SERBIA **AND HATE SPEECH TOWARDS NON-MAJORITY COMMUNITIES**

10.000 COMMENTS

Regarding this case with school shooting in Belgrade, Serbia the hate speech spread mainly through comments sections was very high and concerning. YIHR KS has checked five popular online portals including here: "Kallxo.com", "Koha.net", "Kanali 10", "Insajderi" and "Sinjali", that posted the news about this event and they received a number of around 10k comments in total. The majority of the comments contained hate-speech based on ethnicity.

HATE SPEECH TOWARDS WOMEN

7 ARTICLES 177 COMMENTS

In 7 articles on online Facebook portals, namely: "Kallxo.com", "Koha.net", "Kanali 10", "Insajderi" and "Sinjali" and "Telegrafi" in which violence towards women was reported a number of 177 comments were identified and the majority of them contained hate speech towards women.

HATE SPEECH TOWARDS LGBTIQ+ COMMUNITY



YIHR KS reviewed on 4 Facebook articles and out of 301 comments, there were 38 pure hate speech comments among others comments which also contained curse, smear campaigns towards LGBTIQ+ community in Kosovo.



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