



Progress towards equality: Reaching out to communities

European public legal education: Five minute masterclass

We want to identify other organisations in Europe that deliver what we call 'public legal education' (PLE); that is awareness-raising, outreach, education and community engagement as part of their discrimination and human rights work with the public.

We are keen to learn what they do and how they do it well, and then to showcase best practice examples in a feature on our website called 'Five minute masterclass'.

The idea is that users of the website can quickly (within five minutes!) pick up valuable insights to help them deliver their own equalities projects using these techniques.

More generally we also want to find out more about what is happening in the rest of Europe and make contacts with organisations doing similar work.

Your five minute masterclass

To produce your own five minute masterclass please answer the questions on the next page.

Your responses may be edited to fit our house style and then will be published on the 'Is that discrimination?' website. We very much appreciate your time and effort in responding to our request for information. We do not need a lot of detail from you, as your responses should take no longer than about five minutes to read, so hopefully answering our questions won't take up too much of your time! And don't feel you have to answer all the questions if you don't think they are relevant to your work.

Finally, we'd love it if you could send us some images to make your five minute masterclass eye-catching. For example, a copy of your logo, a photo of yourself, images of your organisation delivering work or photos of some of your clients. Don't worry however if you don't have anything suitable.

Please return your answers and any images to Theresa Harris:
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Once again, many, many thanks!

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Please answer the following questions (where appropriate):

1. Please briefly introduce yourself by describing your role and your organisation:

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2. Please tell us briefly about your organisation's work delivering awareness-raising, outreach, education and community engagement (what we call public legal education (PLE)) with the public to tackle discrimination and human rights issues. Just a brief summary with examples please:

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3. Were you familiar with the term 'public legal education' (PLE)? Do you use another term to sum up this kind of work?

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4. Can you please give us some examples of your best successes when delivering what we call PLE in the field of discrimination and human rights:

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5. What do you think were the key ingredients in achieving these successes?

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6. What pitfalls do you think practitioners should look out for when delivering public legal education on discrimination and human rights:

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7. What tips would you give to organisations wanting to evaluate their work in awareness-raising, outreach, education and community engagement:

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8. Do you think there is scope for a Europe-wide network of organisations carrying out this kind of work, what we call public legal education? Or are you aware of any similar networks that already exist?

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9. Are there any resources that you couldn't manage without that you'd like to recommend to others, for example, research findings, materials, training etc:

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10. Finally, if you had all the funding and resources you could wish for, what would be your dream public legal education project to tackle discrimination and human rights:

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Thank you for your time! Please return to: theresa.harris@advicenow.org.uk

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To that effect, PROGRESS:

- provides analysis and policy advice on PROGRESS policy areas;
- monitors and reports on the implementation of EU legislation and policies in PROGRESS policy areas;
- promotes policy transfer, learning and support among Member States on EU objectives and priorities;
- relays the views of the stakeholders and society at large.

The seven-year Programme targets all stakeholders who can help shape the development of appropriate and effective employment and social legislation and policies, across the EU-27m, EFTA-EEA, Croatia, Former Yugoslavian Republic of Macedonia and EU candidate countries and Serbia.

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