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INTRODUCTION



Definition of key terms: juvenile delinquency and offenses



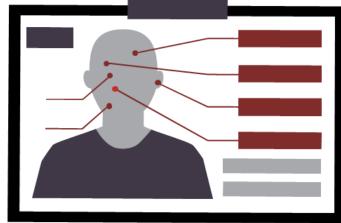
• Legal framework and relevant regulations



International standards and domestic legislation

JUVENILES AS **PERPETRATORS** OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES

- Statistical data and trends in Montenegro
- Phenomenology of juvenile crime



- Etiological factors: family, socio-economic, and psychological aspects
- Criminal justice responses: sanctions and measures
- Application of alternative sanctions and restorative justice

JUVENILES AS *VICTIMS* OF CRIMINAL OFFENSES



PROCEDURAL ASPECTS IN <u>MONTENEGRO</u> & INTERNATIONAL LEGAL FRAMEWORK

- Montenegro's national legal framework for juvenile proceedings
- Implementation of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child in Montenegro (unicef.org)
- The role of social welfare centers and other institutions in juvenile proceedings
- Criminal liability of juveniles under Montenegrin law
- Review of case law and examples from Montenegrin courts



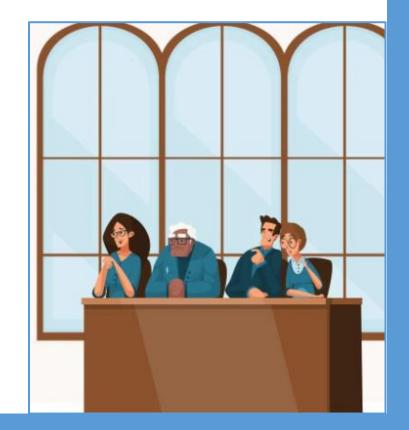
JUVENILE JUSTICE IN THE <u>EUROPEAN UNION</u>: CURRENT STATE & PROCEDURAL ASPECTS



- Overview of **EU policies** on juvenile justice
- Comparative analysis of juvenile justice systems in EU member states
- EU directives and recommendations regarding juvenile offenders and victims
- Best practices from EU countries in handling juvenile perpetrators and victims

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- The need for legal reform in line with European standards
- Strengthening preventive <u>measures and</u> <u>education</u>
- Improving institutional protection of juveniles
- Proposals for enhancing judicial and social welfare systems



LITERATURE & REFERENCES

- International legal instruments:
 - United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC)
 - EU Directive 2016/800 on procedural safeguards for children who are suspects or accused persons in criminal proceedings
 - o Council of Europe Guidelines on Child-Friendly Justice
- National legal sources:
 - Criminal Code of Montenegro
 - Law on Juvenile Justice of Montenegro
 - Procedural laws regulating juvenile cases in Montenegro
- Scholarly articles and reports:
 - Stevanović, I. (2015). Juveniles as Perpetrators and Victims of Criminal Offenses and Misdemeanors. Institute for Criminological and Sociological Research
 - Aebi, M. et al. (2010). *European Sourcebook of Crime and Criminal Justice Statistics*
 - UNICEF reports on juvenile justice and child protection

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