Restorative justice and victims' rights: raising awareness of the professionals, the media and citizens

The project was implemented in the period from the 1st of September to the 31st of December 2006th. The project is funded by the Open Society Institute. The aim was to inform and raise awareness of the scientific community, citizens and the media about the concept of restorative justice and victims' rights. Implementation of the project included:

1. organizing three roundtables on restorative justice and the rights of the victims of the judiciary, lawyers, police, social work and NGO representatives in Subotica, Niš and Kragujevac;

2. organizing three meetings with media representatives in Subotica, Niš and Kragujevac where was planned to be answered to specific questions from reporters, provide clarifications, and remove the uncertainty related to the concept of restorative justice and the position and rights of victims, so this issue could be presented in the right way to the public and thereby influence the further raising of the general population on restorative justice and the rights of victims;

3. preparation, printing and distribution of brochures on restorative justice and the rights of victims; 4. printing of one issue of Temida (no. 1/2007) in which will be published papers of roundtables exhibitors.

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