

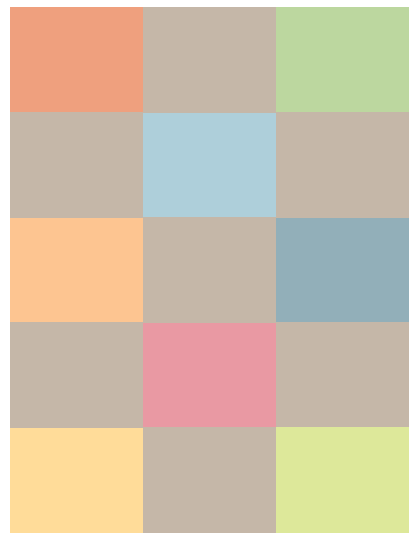


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Foreword

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**Judge Theodor Meron,
President**

It is my pleasure to introduce the 2013 Annual Report of the Outreach Programme of the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. 2013 marked the 20th anniversary of the ICTY, and was thus a moment for particular reflection on the Tribunal's achievements and continuing challenges. As set out in this report, the Outreach Programme played a special role in that process, launching and continuing a number of important initiatives that disseminated information about the work of the Tribunal and encouraged debate about its legacy. I am particularly proud and grateful for the hard work of Outreach staff and their commitment to the work of the Tribunal.



**Serge Brammertz,
Prosecutor**

For more than a decade, the Outreach Programme has been in an on-going dialogue between the Tribunal and the affected communities of the former Yugoslavia, aiming to ensure our work is meaningful to them. It has confronted a range of challenges, from distance and language barriers to the spread of inaccurate information about the Tribunal's decisions. Today, effective outreach is needed as much as ever before: the Tribunal is now hearing some of the most important cases in its history, and the Outreach Programme must be equipped to rise to that challenge. The Office of the Prosecutor will continue its long-standing participation in the Outreach Programme's successful public events. We will also continue our direct engagement with the public through our many meetings with survivors and the families of victims, our work with young legal professionals, our regular contact with regional press and media, and our on-going dialogue with national prosecutors, ministers and politicians.



**John Hocking,
Registrar**

The ICTY Outreach Programme is one of the Registry's key priorities and a vital communication tool in reaching out to the communities affected by the conflicts in the former Yugoslavia. The Tribunal marked its 20th anniversary in 2013, and this was an exceptionally busy year for the Outreach Programme. A large regional conference in Sarajevo, which allowed people to assess the impact of the Tribunal's work on justice processes in their own countries, was one of the highlights of the Programme. The Outreach team also worked tirelessly to connect on a grassroots level with communities big and small: schools, villages, victims' associations, academics, journalists - all those who crave justice and want to better understand the Tribunal's work. I extend my heartfelt thanks to the Outreach Programme staff for their vital contributions to justice and reconciliation in the former Yugoslavia.



Donor Statement

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The European Commission has been a staunch supporter of the Outreach Programme of the ICTY for the past fifteen years. We recognised early on that the communities of the former Yugoslavia have the right to know about the judicial process initiated by the international community that called to account perpetrators of some of the most vicious crimes committed in the conflict. By providing a strong link between the work of the ICTY and the communities in the former Yugoslavia, over the years the innovative projects and activities of the Outreach Programme have aided the transitional justice processes in the region.

These processes are instrumental for the accession journey of the former Yugoslav countries into EU membership. This journey is guided by the principle that the EU is held together not only by economic ties, but first and foremost by shared values that include the rule of law, respect for human rights, and accountability. Both the European Union and the Outreach Programme of the ICTY believe that promotion of these values is essential for a stable and secure future for all citizens of the former Yugoslavia and Europe as a whole.

Gerhard SCHUMANN-HITZLER
Director Regional Cooperation and Assistance;
Turkish Cypriot Community
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2013 was a year of particular importance for the Tribunal. Firstly, the ICTY marked the 20th anniversary of its establishment by the UN Security Council. Throughout its 20 years of existence, the ICTY's judgements have irreversibly changed the landscape of international justice. The Tribunal has rendered numerous precedent-setting decisions on genocide, war crimes and crimes against humanity, and established a robust body of international criminal laws and procedures that have been relied upon by other international tribunals and national jurisdictions.

Marking the 20th anniversary of the Tribunal



The ICTY's 20th anniversary ceremony was held on 27 May in the presence of His Majesty King Willem-Alexander of the Netherlands and attended by senior Tribunal officials, including President Theodor Meron, Prosecutor Serge Brammertz, and Registrar John Hocking, along with Mayor of The Hague Jozias van Aartsen and Secretary-General of the Ministry of Foreign Affairs Renee Jones-Bos.



The United Nations Under-Secretary-General for Legal Affairs Patricia O'Brien gave a keynote speech at the 20th anniversary ceremony.



Judge Patrick L. Robinson and many other former and current Tribunal officials shared their reflections on the history and achievements of the ICTY.



Prosecutor Serge Brammertz pointed out that Tribunal has overcome some serious challenges during the last 20 years, including the apprehension of all the accused: *"We have succeeded – against all the odds – in bringing all of the ICTY's indicted persons to justice."* He added that the ICTY has also helped usher in a new era of accountability for war crimes, creating *"powerful momentum behind the principle of international justice that will not be easily broken."*

President Theodor Meron and Mayor Jozias van Aartsen opened the 20th anniversary exhibition at The Hague's city hall. The exhibition highlighted significant moments from the ICTY's two decades of operation, including the apprehension of fugitives, the Tribunal's findings on the crimes committed during the Yugoslav conflicts in the 1990s, and its outreach efforts in the communities of the region.



2013 saw the launch of the Hague branch of the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (MICT), which on 1 July took over a number of functions from the Tribunal in preparation for the latter's closure.

Launching the Hague branch of the MICT



The launch of the Hague branch of the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (MICT or Mechanism) was marked by a ceremony held on 1 July 2013. Over 200 international officials, government representatives from the former Yugoslavia, judges and staff of the ICTY and MICT, senior officials from the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda (ICTR), and members of the media were present.

The establishment of the Mechanism is an important part of the ICTY and ICTR's completion strategies. The Mechanism is tasked with the continuation of essential functions of both tribunals and the preservation of their legacies. The Arusha branch of the MICT, which took up functions derived from the ICTR, was inaugurated in July 2012.



The ceremony was opened by Judge Theodor Meron, President of both the MICT and the ICTY. Addressing the audience, President Meron said: *"These two tribunals [the ICTY and ICTR] have demonstrated that ... principled justice, fair and impartial justice, is the only way to uphold the rule of law."* He added: *"It is on these strong foundations that the Mechanism itself can now rise up and take its place among the international institutions here in the International City of Peace and Justice."*



In his remarks, Mr Hassan Bubacar Jallow, Prosecutor of both the MICT and the ICTR, called the establishment of the Mechanism a *"truly historic occasion"*. The Prosecutor stated that the *"phased establishment of the two branches of the Mechanism will enable us to take advantage of the lessons learned from the establishment of the Arusha branch."*



Mr John Hocking, Registrar of both the MICT and the ICTY, said: *"I see the Mechanism as our opportunity to meet the challenge that international criminal justice be not only fair, but also deliver with greater efficiency and less resources – so that, in the future, other courts may take a leaf from the Mechanism's book, as they have previously from the Tribunal's."*

Youth Outreach

STUDY VISITS

Young people from the Balkans learn about the ICTY



In cooperation with the Youth Initiative for Human Rights (YIHR) from Serbia, the Outreach Programme in February organised a week-long study visit for eight young NGO representatives from Serbia, Croatia, BiH and Kosovo. The visitors met with senior officials from the three organs of the ICTY.

Almost 200 young people from the former Yugoslavia visited the ICTY in 2013. The visiting groups were composed mostly of law and political science students, young professionals, and NGO representatives from Serbia, Croatia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Kosovo* and Slovenia. The visits ranged from a day to a week in duration and enabled the young people from the region to follow trial hearings from the ICTY's courtroom galleries, as well as to talk to ICTY judges and staff members, including Outreach representatives.

One of the visiting groups, law students from Bihać, BiH, had the rare opportunity to attend the rendering of two judgements in two days – in the cases of Plić *et al.*, and Stanišić and Simatović.



A one-day visit by 46 students and professors from the Faculty of Law at the University of Tuzla, BiH, provided the guests with the opportunity to speak to Judge Christoph Flügge, Prosecutor Serge Brammertz and a number of Tribunal staff members. The Outreach Programme facilitated this visit in cooperation with the Embassy of BiH in the Netherlands.

“Most of us were here for the first time, and the organisation of the visit and the choice of topics were very beneficial for our future endeavours”

Almira Smajić, 4th year student from the Faculty of Law at the University of Tuzla.

Thousands of international students enjoy their visit to the ICTY

Over **6,000** young people from across the world came through the doors of the Tribunal in 2013 to speak to the staff and Judges working here. In evaluating the time spent at the ICTY, the visitors found it informative, but also a truly **“impressive”** and **“eye-opening”** experience.

* Throughout this report, this designation is used without prejudice to positions on status, and is in line with UNSC Resolution 1244 and the ICJ Opinion on the Kosovo Declaration of Independence.

YOUTH OUTREACH PROJECT

Explaining the work of the ICTY to students in the former Yugoslavia



Almir Alić, Outreach representative in BiH, with students from Bratunac High School. The Bratunac area suffered extensive destruction and immense human losses during the war.

In 2013 the ICTY Outreach Programme continued one of its largest and most successful activities: bringing information about the Tribunal to young people in the former Yugoslavia. Our representatives visited high schools and universities throughout the region, concentrating on national capitals and the areas most affected by crimes under the ICTY's jurisdiction.

The high school presentations introduced students to the mission and major achievements of the ICTY, and presented a selection of cases relevant to the particular community being visited. Outreach presenters encouraged questions and discussion, and the students proved eager to engage in dialogue about the work of the ICTY, a subject about which some of them knew very little.

In addition, legal professionals from all three organs of the Tribunal travelled to universities in the region, where they gave tailor-made lectures on topics related to the work of the ICTY, depending on the field of study and interest of the students. A large number of law, political science and philosophy students attended the lectures, asking questions related to prosecution of sexual violence, ICTY investigations, modes of responsibility, and the role played by the Tribunal in transitional mechanisms and post-conflict recovery in the former Yugoslavia.

The Youth Outreach Project will continue in 2014 thanks to the continuous support of the Government of Finland.



Students from Ali Hadri Gymnasium in Peć/Pejë were interested in hearing about cases related to their region, involving both perpetrators from Serb forces and from the Kosovo Liberation Army. The presentation was given by an ICTY Outreach partner - Youth Initiative for Human Rights Kosovo.



Lada Šoljan, OTP Appeals Counsel, travelled to Serbia to give lectures to Serbian students of law, journalism and psychology. She said: "These lectures demonstrated how the younger generations from the region are to this day trying to work out what happened in the 1990s, so as to gain a coherent understanding of the past. Even where they showed skepticism towards or a misunderstanding of the Tribunal's work, it was clear that the students' questions were coming from a true desire to understand and move forward."



John Cubbon, Senior Legal Officer in the Tribunal's Chambers, travelled to the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia to give lectures on the law and practice of the ICTY. Students of the University of Saint Cyril and Methodius put forward well-reasoned arguments, and often showed strong feelings about the topics covered during the lecture.

ICTY representatives reached thousands of high school and university students

In 2013, Outreach representatives visited **40 high schools** in BiH, Croatia and Kosovo and reached a total of **1,275 students**. **25 university lectures** were given by ICTY representatives during 2013 in BiH, Croatia, Serbia, Montenegro, Kosovo and the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, with **1,157 students** benefiting from this project.

INTERNSHIP IN THE OTP

Training young professionals from the former Yugoslavia

For five consecutive years the Tribunal's Office of the Prosecutor (OTP) has facilitated internships for young people from the former Yugoslavia. In 2013 the OTP provided 24 young professionals from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia with the opportunity to work in OTP trial teams and learn on the job by assisting experienced international prosecutors in their daily work.

The OTP interns work side by side with international staff, giving them the opportunity to gain valuable first-hand experience of working on complex war crimes cases. Each intern spends five months in the OTP.

Since 2009 the OTP has been increasingly focused on supporting the prosecution of war crimes trials at the national level and transferring knowledge to young professionals from the former Yugoslavia. The internship project forms a key element of their work towards this goal.

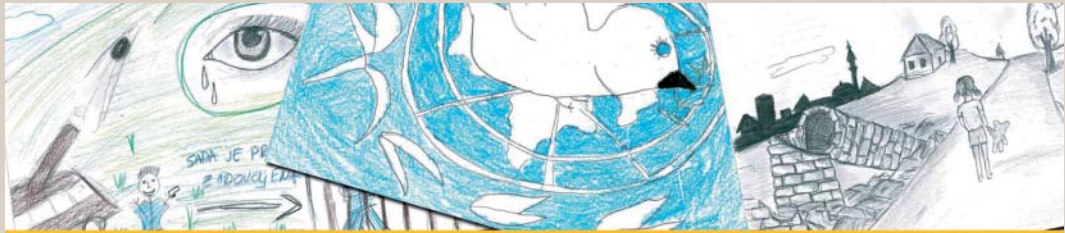
The OTP Internship Programme is supported by the European Commission. Graduate students from the former Yugoslavia with a university degree in law, criminology, political science or history are eligible to apply.



Interns from the former Yugoslavia with ICTY Prosecutor Serge Brammertz.

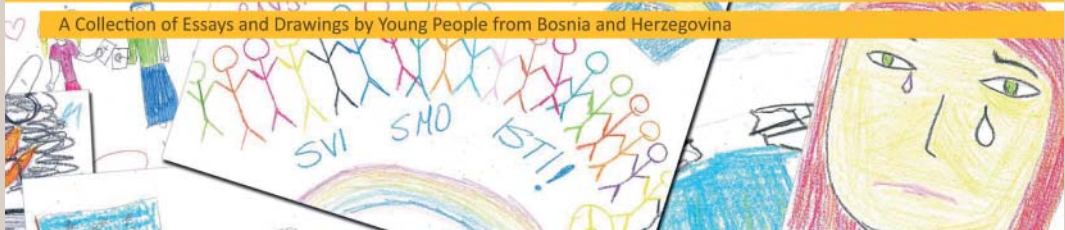


OTP intern Ivana Martinović, an aspiring lawyer from Serbia, spent her internship working on the Hadžić case. Looking back at the experience she said: "Working at the Tribunal alongside some of the most prominent lawyers from across the world was a unique opportunity and challenge for me. I strongly feel my experience in such a highly professional setting will shape my future career and has provided me with invaluable skills which could not have been gained elsewhere."



... "Unless we face the crimes and learn lessons from our recent past, I am afraid that there will be no normal life in these parts for a long time to come" ... "It is precisely for this reason that this young man believes that all trials are needed, absolutely needed, for all crimes and war crimes in particular, because they are the most serious of all" ... "Nobody will understand the gravity of what happened between 1992 and 1995 unless the most severe of sentences are imposed for crimes" ...

A Collection of Essays and Drawings by Young People from Bosnia and Herzegovina



National essay-writing competition for high school students from BiH



Maja Graca, first prize winner: "I think it is very important for my generation to end the cycle of silence and loudly speak about the events of the war-time past whose tragic consequences are still part of our life and which are for the most part determining our future. Youth cannot be an excuse for lack of interest or passiveness in the process of dealing with the past."

Over 130 young people from across Bosnia and Herzegovina took part in a national essay-writing competition organised by the Outreach Programme during the autumn of 2013. High school students in Bosnia and Herzegovina were asked to share their thoughts on the topic *Should we hold trials for war crimes committed during an armed conflict?* The competition was designed to encourage young people to voice their opinions about the work of the ICTY and its relevance to their communities.

First prize was awarded to Maja Graca, a student at the *Meša Selimović* Gymnasium in Tuzla, second prize to Viktor Nikolić from the *Mihajlo Pupin* Technical School in Bijeljina, and third prize to Sabina Poplata of the 2nd Gymnasium in Sarajevo.

The best essays, together with a selection of drawings made by BiH elementary school children, are published in an Outreach publication *Our Tribunal*.



Viktor Nikolić, second prize winner: "After I had read the other two award-winning essays, and realised that our perspectives were almost the same, this gave rise to hope that young people of my age could do something positive in society, for which I am very glad".



Sabina Poplata, third prize winner: "This recognition has a special meaning for me because this is a very important and painful subject which has a direct effect on our present and future [...]. This essay competition has shown that our voice is heard and appreciated."



Bosnian international relations students eager to learn about the ICTY

On 19 November the ICTY Field Office in Bosnia and Herzegovina hosted a visit by a group of students from the International University of Sarajevo. Twenty students from the university's International Relations programme actively participated in the discussion.

The students were keen to learn about the organisational aspects of the Tribunal's trials and also about the ICTY's sentencing policies. The Outreach representative in BiH, Almir Alić, also talked about the experience of interacting with young people in BiH, a subject which proved to be of particular interest to the visiting students.

Busra Dillioglu, a senior assistant in the Department of International Relations recognised the role the ICTY could play in community relations: "If we really teach young people that these acts are crimes against humanity - not only as a legal doctrine but as truly horrible acts - I hope that we will never see a repetition of such things."



Presentation about the ICTY stirs up discussion among young Serbians

On 28 February, the Tribunal's Outreach representative in Serbia, Morgiana Brading, gave a presentation on the ICTY's work and achievements to a group of 30 young people from Belgrade, Kragujevac, Novi Sad and Novi Pazar, all of whom are active within either NGOs or political parties.

Much of the discussion that followed the presentation focused on the differing perceptions of the Tribunal in the countries in the region. At the end of an intense debate that lasted more than two hours, one of the young people said: "The bottom line is that until Serbia does what Germany did and apologises properly, acknowledges the crimes, and maybe sets up a memorial like the one in Berlin to Holocaust victims, there will be no reconciliation in the region."

Media Outreach

STUDY VISITS

The Tribunal in close-up: regional journalists learn first-hand about the ICTY



Commenting on the highlights of the visit, Aleksandar Roknić, a journalist with the Belgrade daily *Danas* said: "My conversation with the ICTY's President Theodor Meron was especially interesting. He was very open to discussion and shared with us some of his insights into the functioning of international justice within the framework of an institution such as the Tribunal."

During the last week of October, a group of eight journalists from BiH, Croatia and Serbia came to The Hague for a week-long study visit to the Tribunal. The programme of the visit included meetings, presentations, and question and answer sessions with the heads of various ICTY departments. Two round-tables were also held during which the visitors were joined by journalists from a number of other organisations, including the BBC, BETA, the Institute for War and Peace Reporting and SENSE. The participants shared their experiences of reporting about the Tribunal and using its rich archive for video production. The highlights of the visit, according to many of the journalists, were the meetings with two of the ICTY's principals, President Theodor Meron and Prosecutor Serge Brammertz.

The visit was organised in cooperation with the Balkan Investigative Reporting Network (BIRN).



The visitors met with the Prosecutor Serge Brammertz for a question and answer session. Mito Travar, a journalist from BiH, was curious about the most important lessons the Prosecutor had learned during his time at the ICTY. Prosecutor Brammertz replied that, in his opinion, the most important thing is to invest in young generations. He added that a crucial element for the future of the Balkans is that young people are well-informed and equipped to think critically about the past.

"This visit presented a useful opportunity for reporters to get to know the work of the Tribunal and talk to the President and the Prosecutor, and could contribute towards clarification of misunderstandings which surround the Tribunal in the region."

Erna Mačković, journalist, Balkan Investigative Reporting Network (BIRN).

STUDY VISITS

Connecting the Media to the Tribunal



In an interview with BHTV, President Meron spoke about the expectations that the Tribunal's work will bring reconciliation in the former Yugoslavia. He stressed that: "We try to establish principles and to promote everywhere, including the former Yugoslavia, principles of the rule of law. And we are convinced that through our work for justice, through our commitment to truth and evidence and law, we actually create the conditions in which reconciliation ... will become more feasible as time goes by."



In an interview with Al-Jazeera, President Meron said: "In fulfilling its primary mandate, the ICTY has shown the world that it is possible to successfully conduct the most complex of trials, involving some of the most heinous crimes imaginable, on an international level, while adhering to the highest standards of due process and fair trial rights."

The ICTY's Media and Outreach offices are its primary contact points for all media-related issues, including interviews and official statements, trial information and audio-visual requests. Throughout 2013 these two offices ensured that all media were provided with accurate and timely responses to each request.

As in previous years, the Media Office provided journalists from the former Yugoslavia with access to court information in all of the languages of the region, and facilitated their access to the Tribunal's highest officials.

The Tribunal's President, Judge Theodor Meron, gave around 20 interviews to regional and international media over the course of the year. The Media Office arranged interviews for CNN, Al Jazeera Balkans, Serbian national broadcaster RTS, Bosnian national broadcaster BHRT, Reuters and the Greek National News Agency ANA. Interview topics ranged from the ICTY's completion strategy and its 20 year anniversary, to its current work and the future of international criminal law.

ICTY Prosecutor Serge Brammertz also had a range of contacts with the media in 2013. Through the OTP Press Office journalists submitted their requests for interviews



Throughout 2013, ICTY Prosecutor Serge Brammertz regularly updated journalists about the work of the Office of the Prosecutor.

and the Prosecutor granted over 30 to regional and international journalists. Additionally, the Prosecutor held his annual meeting with foreign correspondents working in The Netherlands, many of whom are from the region of the former Yugoslavia. These meetings provide the journalists with the opportunity to be updated about the work of the OTP by the Prosecutor and to raise questions. On this occasion the journalists were particularly interested to hear the Prosecutor's opinion on the judgements rendered over the course of 2013. In addition, the Prosecutor answered questions on the current status of trials and appeals, the achievements of the Tribunal, and denial of the Srebrenica genocide.



In 2013, Spokesperson for Registry and Chambers Magdalena Spalińska provided international and regional media with the latest court information through numerous interviews, press briefings and statements about on-going cases.

“As international prosecutors, we can only be guided by the evidence available to us. Our investigations and indictments reflect the evidence available and not the nationality or ethnicity of the accused. Over the years, we have prosecuted perpetrators from all sides to the conflicts in the former Yugoslavia, reflecting the fact that crimes were committed on all sides.”

Prosecutor Serge Brammertz, giving an interview to Serbian daily Politika, addressed the beliefs often expressed in Serbian public opinion that the ICTY is an ‘anti-Serb’ institution.

ONLINE OUTREACH

Website and social media offer new outreach material

The ICTY's social media channels and website saw an increase in the quantity and quality of their content in a year filled with original and exciting projects.

Five new pages were added to the website and the number of people following our social media channels continued to increase. Videos on the ICTY's YouTube channel were watched a total of 395,705 times, our Twitter feed reached 5,300 followers, and our Facebook page received a monthly audience of around 20,000 people.

2013 also saw the initiation of the Legacy Website Project, intended to help safeguard the long-term impact of the work of the Tribunal. In the upcoming period, the Tribunal's Outreach Programme will prepare web-friendly content based on the ICTY's archival material to be posted on the legacy website. Innovative multimedia features, such as online exhibitions based on the Tribunal's archive, will be created to promote the contributions made by the ICTY to the process of transitional justice in the former Yugoslavia and to international justice as a whole.



The ICTY website and Facebook page promoted an online exhibition called The ICTY through the Eyes of Children. It featured a selection of drawings created by primary school pupils during a workshop held as part of the 10th annual Sarajevo Kids Festival. These works expressed the children's thoughts on justice and the need for war crimes trials. Our followers on Facebook took part in the project by voting for their favourite pieces.



Working closely with OTP trial teams and in cooperation with the ICTY Media Office, the OTP Press Office provided to the media lists detailing witnesses to be called in the Radovan Karadžić and Ratko Mladić cases and the issues about which they will testify. Witnesses' names and short summaries of their testimonies were published on the ICTY website, Facebook and Twitter. Providing this information proved to be of great assistance to journalists, many of whom underlined how much it helped them in planning ahead and following these important trials.



For the ICTY's 20th anniversary, Outreach produced a short video entitled 20 Years of the ICTY, which gave an overview of the most important events from the two decades of the Tribunal's existence. The video was posted on the Tribunal's social media channels and website. The content was viewed over 13,000 times on Facebook, YouTube and Twitter. A page on the website - 20 Years of International Justice - provided valuable information about the Tribunal's achievements and history.



Regional and international media gather to cover judgements

The ICTY rendered four judgements in 2013: the Appeal Chamber judgement in the Perišić case, and Trial Chamber judgements in the cases of Stanišić and Župljanin, Prlić *et al.*, and Stanišić and Simatović.

These high-profile judgements attracted considerable media interest from both regional and international journalists. The ICTY Communications Service played an important role in making sure that the reporters had the information necessary to best cover these judgements.



Detention Unit opens its doors to the media

In November 2013 the Media Office organised a visit to the Tribunal's Detention Unit (DU) for those members of the regional and international media who have been the most constant followers of developments at the ICTY. The visit began with an introductory presentation from the DU's commanders giving background information and an overview of the Unit's daily routines. The journalists were then shown an empty detention wing, a typical cell, and the sports hall.

This was the first time a group of media representatives had been allowed to visit the high security DU and see for themselves the conditions of detention which generate so much interest among the public. The journalists were able to explore the detention spaces, interview the commanding officer, take photos and film piece-to-camera segments.

Community Outreach

WORKING WITH THE LOCAL COMMUNITIES

Intensifying co-operation with regional NGOs



Outreach representative in BiH Almir Alić met with members of the newly established Association for Assistance to Victims and Wartime Sexual Violence Survivors Naš glas (Our voice) from Tuzla. He supported their activities related to raising public awareness about the challenges faced by the victims of wartime sexual violence, and shared Outreach information materials.

Communicating with victims' representatives and NGOs from the former Yugoslavia is at the core of Outreach's work. Throughout 2013, Outreach offices in The Hague, Belgrade and Sarajevo arranged and took part in a number of co-ordination meetings with representatives of local NGOs to discuss possible joint projects. Also, our representatives met with victims' organisations to update them on the latest developments in the Tribunal's cases.

As the ICTY approaches the end of its mandate, the Outreach Programme is increasing its co-operation with and support for local initiatives relevant to the institution's legacy. In this way, the Tribunal is able to ensure continuation of its outreach efforts long after it closes its doors.

In 2013, Outreach representatives in the region took part in numerous events organised by local NGOs. They participated in lectures, presentations and round-tables, and gave talks related to the Tribunal's work and achievements. One example of such co-operation was a presentation about the ICTY given by Outreach representative Morgiana Brading at a meeting of women's organisations from across the Balkan region organised by the Women in Black NGO from Belgrade, Serbia.

Additionally, the Outreach office in The Hague organised visits to the Tribunal by members of two Netherlands-based associations of survivors of the Srebrenica genocide, and by members of the Association of former Camp Inmates from Herzegovina. The visitors met with senior Tribunal officials, including the ICTY Prosecutor and Deputy Registrar.



President Theodor Meron met with victims' representatives in The Hague on three occasions in 2013, hosting visits by the Mothers of Srebrenica, the Association of Victims and Witnesses of Genocide, and the Association of Mothers of Srebrenica and Žepa Enclaves. The President also held two meetings with victims' associations during his trip to Bosnia and Herzegovina in November, listening to local concerns during his visit to Prijedor, and also attending a large meeting in Sarajevo, which gathered representatives of victims' associations from all of the major ethnic communities in BiH.



Prosecutor Serge Brammertz has always paid particular attention to the concerns expressed by victims in relation to the work of the ICTY, and meets regularly with representatives of victims' associations to listen to their opinions and respond to their queries. Talking about the importance of the victims for the work of the OTP, Brammertz said: "The victims are our greatest concern and we are aware of the responsibility we have in bringing to justice the perpetrators responsible for their suffering. We highly appreciate and admire their courage and their strength in coming to the Tribunal to testify. When I go to the region, I never miss the opportunity to meet with them."

20 YEARS OF THE TRIBUNAL

Conference and exhibition mark important year for the Tribunal



The 20 Years of International Justice exhibition highlighted the Tribunal's role in ending impunity for those who committed serious crimes during the conflict in the former Yugoslavia, its pioneering contribution to the development of international criminal justice, and its legacy for the communities of the former Yugoslavia.

As part of the programme of events that took place in 2013 to mark the Tribunal's 20th anniversary, Outreach, working under the auspices of the Office of the President, organised a two-day conference in Sarajevo, BiH, and created an exhibition titled *20 Years of International Justice*.

The exhibition displayed significant milestones from the two decades of the Tribunal's existence and was on show first at The Hague city hall in June, and then at the Historical Museum of Bosnia and Herzegovina in Sarajevo from July onwards. The opening reception in Sarajevo attracted over 60 guests, including academics and experts on transitional justice issues, as well as representatives of civil society, the national judiciary, and the diplomatic corps. By the end of 2013, some 10,000 people had seen the exhibition.

Over 200 local and international stakeholders gathered to debate and discuss aspects of the Tribunal's legacy in the former Yugoslavia at the conference organised in Sarajevo in November 2013. The conference, with the participation of ICTY President Theodor Meron, was the crowning event of the 20th anniversary activities held throughout the year.

The gathering consisted of one day of working-level meetings, followed by a day of panel presentations and discussions with the public. Themes addressed during the conference ranged from the ICTY's overall accomplishments and the challenges it had encountered, to its contribution to the promotion of the rule of law in the region, the mechanisms for victim and witness protection in war crimes trials, and the importance of regional access to the Tribunal's archives.



In his keynote address to the conference, ICTY President, Judge Theodor Meron, said: "All that we have accomplished in The Hague would not have been possible without ... the tireless efforts, dedication, and courage of people here in Sarajevo and elsewhere in the countries of the former Yugoslavia. These are the people whom I wish to honour today for their contributions to the work of the ICTY over the past twenty years."

In addition to high-level representatives of the Tribunal, conference participants included Bosniak Representative of the BiH Presidency Bakir Izetbegović, President of the BiH Court Meddžida Kreso, Serbian War Crimes Prosecutor Vladimir Vukčević, Director of the International Commission on Missing Persons in BiH Kathryn Bomberger, founder of the Humanitarian Law Centre Nataša Kandić, Mayor of Sarajevo Prof. Dr Ivo Komšić, Nikica Hamer Vidmar from the Croatian Ministry of Justice, and Ambassadors, victims' associations, domestic authorities, experts on transitional justice, representatives of human rights NGOs, academics, and other stakeholders from the former Yugoslavia.

The conference was made possible through the generous support of the European Union, the Governments of Switzerland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands, and the Republic of Korea, and the Open Society Justice Initiative.

DOCUMENTARY: Crimes before the ICTY: Prijedor

Tribunal's documentary praised in the region

Throughout 2013 the Outreach Programme promoted its second documentary – *Crimes before the ICTY: Prijedor*. This feature-length production depicts the Tribunal's role in the prosecution and adjudication of crimes committed in Bosnia and Herzegovina's north-western municipality of Prijedor. The story is told through interviews with ICTY staff, excerpts of survivors' testimonies given during ICTY trials, and findings from judgements. The Tribunal indicted 27 individuals for crimes in the Prijedor area, committed mostly in the summer of 1992.

The film's premiere took place on 17 April 2013 in Novi Sad, Serbia, and was followed by screenings in Belgrade

and Sarajevo. In addition, the film was screened as a part of the *Days of White Armbands* events in Zagreb, which commemorated the victims of crimes in Prijedor. Each event was well-attended by victims' representatives and human rights organisations, the media, academia, and legal professionals, as well as a number of international officials.

The film was also screened at the Tribunal for representatives of organisations of survivors living in The Netherlands, who were joined by His Excellency Ahmet Halilović, Ambassador of BiH to the Netherlands.



The screening in Belgrade was followed by a panel discussion involving Nerma Jelačić, Head of the ICTY Communications Service, and the film's director, Petar Finci of the Outreach Programme.

Dozens of BiH TV stations air Outreach documentary

Following successful launch events, the film was screened as part of special edition of **TV Justice**, the weekly programme produced and distributed by Balkan Investigative Reporting Network (BIRN). The feature was carried by **12 local TV stations** in Bosnia and Herzegovina, some of which broadcast it through their satellite carriers to Europe, North America and Australia.

Available on the ICTY website and YouTube

In the wake of interest generated by the movie screenings, the Outreach Programme released the film on the **ICTY's website** and **YouTube** channel. This exposed the film to an even larger audience, with more than **4,000 people** viewing the film online in the first few months following its posting.



ICTY President visits mass grave and former camp in BiH



On 25 and 26 November, ICTY President Theodor Meron travelled to Prijedor, where he visited the recently discovered Tomašica mass grave, suspected to be the largest mass grave in BiH and containing hundreds of bodies of people allegedly killed by Bosnian Serbs in the summer of 1992. The President visited the site as exhumations were still in progress. *"It was very difficult for me to speak at this place, where one stands face to face with the horror a man can do to another man,"* he said after the visit.

In addition, the President met with members of associations of victims from all ethnic groups in Prijedor. The victims' representatives told the President about local memorialisation issues, the importance of the Tribunal's findings for the communities in the area, and their perceptions of the work of the ICTY.



The President also visited the former detention camp in Omarska, accompanied by a group of former inmates who showed him around and told him about their days of suffering as prisoners there.

The representatives also underlined how important it was for them that an ICTY President was visiting the Prijedor area for the first time ever.



Outreach workshop held in former prison camp

On 5 August in the former prison camp Trnopolje, the Outreach representative in BiH, Almir Alić, led a workshop on crimes of wartime sexual violence and the work of the ICTY.

Trnopolje survivors sat on mats spread on the ground, just like they did during the hot August days of more than 20 years ago when the camp became a place of suffering for members of the non-Serb population of Prijedor municipality. This time they were joined by young peace activists who had travelled from Belgrade, Rovinj, Sarajevo, Mostar, Tuzla, Travnik, Kozarac and Prijedor to participate in this special gathering, and also by a group of students from the UK and France.

The young people said that they wanted their engagement with each other to help turn a crime scene into a place of hope; hope for post-conflict recovery of the communities in the region and hope that such crimes would never be allowed to happen again.



Legacy of the ICTY in the former Yugoslavia

2013 saw the publication by the Outreach Programme of two versions - one in English and one in Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian - of the book *Legacy of the ICTY in the former Yugoslavia*, which collates transcripts from legacy conferences held in Sarajevo, BiH, and Zagreb, Croatia in 2012.

The conferences explored the role of the ICTY in post-conflict processes in the region of the former Yugoslavia, particularly the Tribunal's contribution to transitional justice and the role ICTY's work can play in assisting communities in coming to terms with past conflicts. Discussing the importance of the ICTY's legacy for the region of the former Yugoslavia, Croatian Assistant Minister of Justice Gordan Markotić highlighted the Tribunal's contribution to creating a new range of jurisprudence and legal mechanisms: "I think this is one of the ICTY's major contributions, if not the greatest – its impact on justice and the judicial systems in the region."

Aside from representatives of the Tribunal, participants in the conferences included officials from national judiciaries, experts on transitional justice issues, victims, lawyers, journalists, politicians, representatives of NGOs, academics and other stakeholders from the former Yugoslavia.

The conferences were made possible through the generous support of the European Union, and the Governments of The Netherlands and Switzerland.

Capacity Building

STUDY VISITS

Legal professionals learn about the Tribunal



A group of administrators and IT-specialists from courts in the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia visited the ICTY in September. The visit was organised by the Tribunal's Outreach Programme in cooperation with the Judicial Strengthening Project of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in order to broaden understanding in the former Yugoslavia about the practices of the Tribunal. Presentations were given by Outreach, the Court Management and Support Section, and the Information Technology Services Section. The visitors had many questions about the administrative and technical aspects of the Tribunal's work; among other things, they were keen to know what happens when confidential information is mentioned in public hearings and who issues orders for redactions.

Over the course of 2013, the Outreach Programme welcomed some 75 legal professionals from the countries of the former Yugoslavia on visits to the Tribunal. Through presentations given by ICTY representatives and meetings with members of the OTP, Registry and Chambers, the visitors had the opportunity to learn more about the Tribunal and improve their understanding of its work. They were particularly interested to hear more about the concepts of command responsibility, joint criminal enterprise and the prosecution of wartime sexual violence.

One of the groups that visited the ICTY in 2013 was made up of Croatian judges and war crimes trials monitors. Talking about the importance of such visits, Vesna Teršelič, the head of NGO Dokumenta, said that they would contribute to a better level of understanding and the resolution of outstanding issues regarding co-operation between the ICTY and regional judiciaries. She added: "This is very important given the large number of remaining crimes left for processing in local courts in Croatia."



A group of 17 junior diplomats from the Balkans and Turkey met with Aleksandar Kontić, a representative of the Office of Prosecutor, to hear about the ways in which the Tribunal cooperates with national authorities in the region. The young diplomats learned about the assistance the Tribunal provides to national courts adjudicating war crimes cases. The subjects of questions raised by the visitors at the end of the meeting included command responsibility and the completion strategy of the ICTY.

VISITING NATIONAL PROSECUTORS PROJECT

Assisting war crimes investigations in the former Yugoslavia



ICTY Prosecutor Serge Brammertz with liaison prosecutors from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia.

For the sixth year in a row, the European Commission generously supported a project run by the Tribunal's Office of the Prosecutor in which liaison prosecutors from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia and Serbia are brought to The Hague to work together with ICTY staff in the OTP's Transition Team.

Liaison prosecutors act as contact points for national prosecutors in their respective countries and help them in domestic investigations by searching for and providing relevant evidence from the OTP's evidence collection. As a result, large volumes of material have been used in domestic war crimes investigations and trials that would otherwise not have been available. For example, in 2013 alone, the liaison prosecutors handed over 3,370 documents consisting of 94,471 pages, as well as 96 audio and video records. The transfer of information follows strict protocols and procedures protecting confidential or otherwise restricted material.

The project is mutually beneficial as liaison prosecutors often assist OTP prosecution teams by serving as a direct link with their offices in the region for a speedy and efficient exchange of information. In addition, by working directly with ICTY staff on a daily basis, the liaison prosecutors gather significant experience and a deeper understanding of the Tribunal's work, which they can then communicate to their colleagues in the region, thus improving the transfer of lessons learned by the ICTY.

This project has contributed significantly to more effective prosecutions of cases at the national level in the countries of the former Yugoslavia.



Training on the Electronic Disclosure System for BiH judicial experts

In November 2013, the ICTY's Office of the Prosecutor (OTP), together with the OSCE Mission to BiH, organised a series of training sessions on the Electronic Disclosure System (EDS) for judicial professionals from BiH. Two OTP experts conducted a total of four training sessions in Banja Luka and Sarajevo for 35 legal professionals.

The OTP possesses an important collection of material relating to the conflicts in the former Yugoslavia, including witness statements, documents, and video and audio files. The EDS provides national prosecutors with remote electronic access to approximately 60 per cent of the total of nine million pages of documents that constitute the OTP's evidence collection.

The involvement of OTP staff in trainings and similar educational projects is an important avenue for transferring expertise to regional judicial professionals working on war crimes cases, with the aim of enhancing the capacity of national jurisdictions in the former Yugoslavia.



Introducing the Mechanism to legal professionals and NGOs in BiH and Serbia

Ahead of the launch of the Hague branch of the Mechanism for International Criminal Tribunals (MICT) on 1 July 2013, the Tribunal held a series of four workshops in Belgrade and Sarajevo to explain the new organisation's mandate to over 70 local legal professionals and NGO partners.

The workshops covered the MICT's mandate, the completion strategy of the ICTY and the Mechanism's role in that process. They provided an opportunity for discussion about the implications of the transition to the MICT and the importance of sustaining mutual support and assistance.

One workshop participant, Judge Minka Kreho from the Court of BiH, highlighted the importance of the MICT, saying: "*The Mechanism's role in a number of areas, such as facilitating access to protected witnesses and the Tribunal's archives, is of great importance to us. It has the potential to significantly improve the processing of war crimes cases before domestic courts in BiH.*"

Annexes

Outreach Information Materials

Brochure

REACHING OUT TO THE NEXT GENERATION

English	2,000
Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian	2,000
Albanian	500



Publication

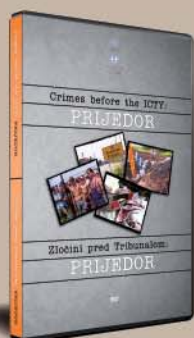
OUR TRIBUNAL

English	1,000
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Publication

ANNUAL OUTREACH REPORT 2012

English	1,000
Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian	1,000
French	200



DVD, Documentary

CRIMES BEFORE THE ICTY: PRIJEDOR

English / Bosnian/Croatian/Serbian	1,500
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Publication

LEGACY OF THE ICTY IN THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA

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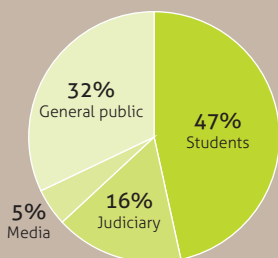


Outreach Visits

393

people from the region of the former Yugoslavia visited the Tribunal in 2013.

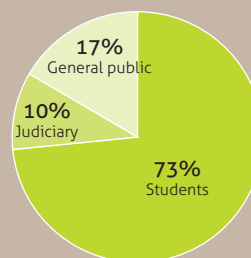
VISITS FROM THE REGION OF THE FORMER YUGOSLAVIA



8,683

people from the rest of the world visited the Tribunal in 2013.

EDUCATIONAL VISITS



Youth Education Project

UNIVERSITY LECTURES

25

HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

40

STUDENTS

2,451

UNIVERSITY LECTURES

Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia
Bosnia and Herzegovina
Croatia
Kosovo
Serbia
Montenegro

Students	Lectures
75	3
526	8
172	3
25	2
234	6
125	3
1,157	25

HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTATIONS

Croatia
Kosovo
Bosnia and Herzegovina

Students	Presentations
369	10
357	10
568	20
1,294	40

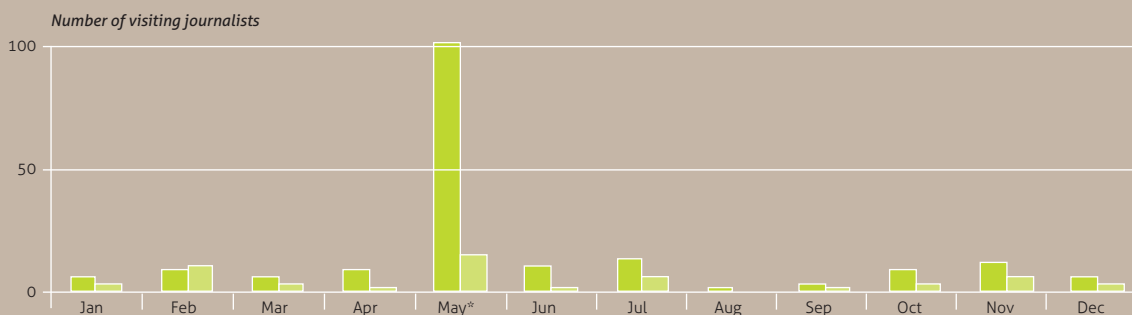
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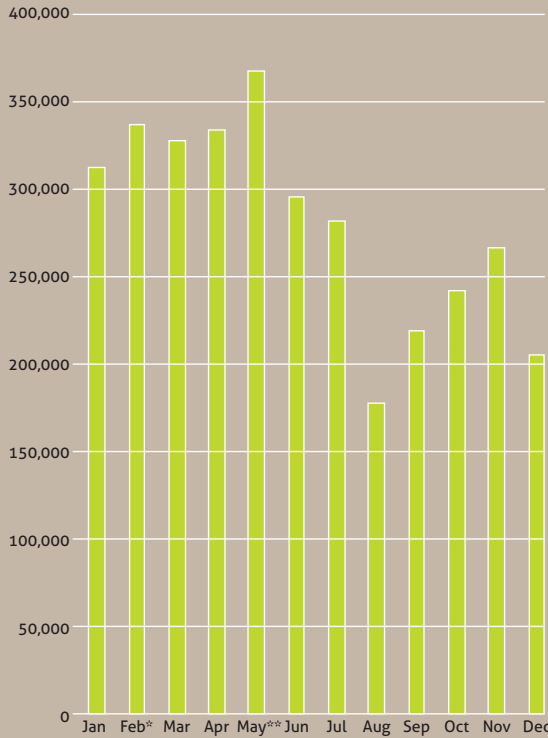
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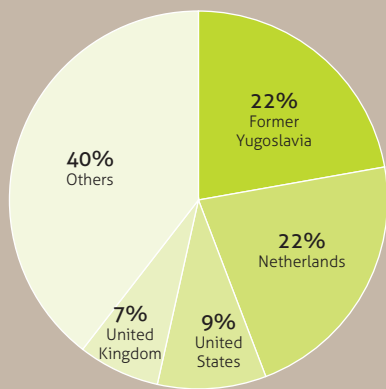
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Page views



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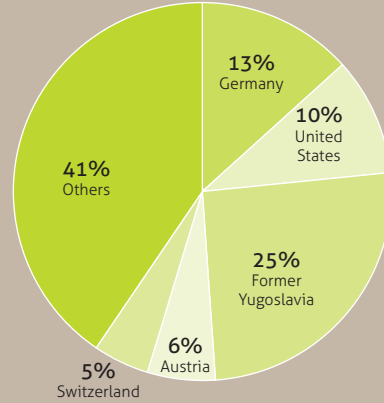


Social Media

YouTube

395,705

views in 2013.

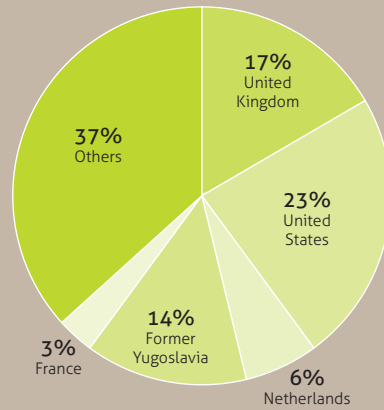


Twitter

1,453

additional followers in 2013.

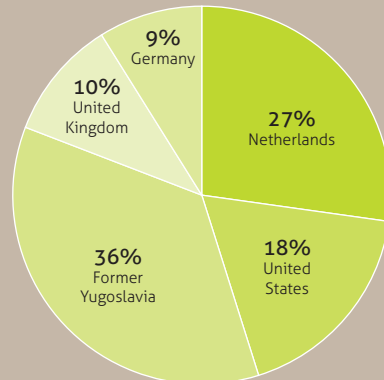
Total number of followers now **5,358**.



Facebook

1,984

likes in 2013.



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The European Union has been our most generous and long-standing supporter, and has, through its kind contributions, ensured funding of the Outreach Programme since its establishment in 1999. The additional funding for the extension of the Outreach Programme is currently under consideration.

The Outreach Programme has also enjoyed support from national governments for some of its activities, including the Government of Finland, which has been generously funding the Youth Outreach project for the past three years. Furthermore, the European Union, the Governments of Switzerland, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the Republic of Korea, and the Open Society Justice Initiative all supported the Outreach Programme's conference 'Marking the 20th Anniversary of the Tribunal', which took place in November 2013 in Sarajevo.

The successful continuation of current outreach activities and the implementation of the phase-out strategy of the Outreach Programme in the coming biennium will depend solely on voluntary donations. Pursuant to General Assembly Resolution 65/263, adopted on 24 December 2010, which reiterated the importance of carrying out effective outreach activities, and which encouraged the Secretary-General to continue to explore measures to raise adequate funds, the Tribunal will continue in its fundraising efforts, seeking support from States and other donors in the coming period. The Outreach Programme wishes to express its gratitude to past and current donors for their generous support.

Outreach Budget Highlights 2013

European Union	Operational costs/ costs for activities	\$ 678,426
Government of Finland	Youth Outreach Project – Phase II – 2012/13	\$ 35,800
Government of Finland	Youth Outreach Project – Phase III – 2013/14	\$ 45,523
Government of Switzerland	20 th Anniversary of the Tribunal Conference 2013	\$ 39,110
Government of Luxembourg	20 th Anniversary of the Tribunal Conference 2013	\$ 26,350
Government of the Netherlands	20 th Anniversary of the Tribunal Conference 2013	\$ 8,260
Government of the Republic of Korea	20 th Anniversary of the Tribunal Conference 2013	\$ 5,585
Open Society Justice Initiative	20 th Anniversary of the Tribunal Conference 2013	\$ 2,786

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