

Straniak Academy

for Democracy and Human Rights

4 to 17 September 2016, Ulcinj/Montenegro

About the Straniak Academy

The *Straniak Academy for Democracy and Human Rights* was established in 2013 by the Ludwig Boltzmann Institute of Human Rights - Research Association in Vienna in cooperation with the Faculties of Law and Social Sciences of the University of Vienna and the Faculties of Law and Political Sciences of the University in Montenegro.

The name of the Academy refers to its main facilitator, the Hermann and Marianne Straniak Foundation. This year, the Straniak Academy is also supported by the Central European Initiative (CEI), the Association for Social Justice (Vienna), and the Humboldt Society in Montenegro.

The Academy will take place from 4 to 17 September 2016 in Ulcinj, in the hotel "Palata Venezia".



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Purpose of the Academy

The goal of the Academy is to promote academic education on democracy, human rights and the rule of law by linking academia and practice, promoted through an interdisciplinary and interactive format with a focus on the Western Balkan region.

Concept and Programme

The Straniak Academy offers an interesting two weeks programme to advanced students and graduates from the Western Balkan region and Austria as the priority area. Students from other EU Member States and other countries are also welcome to apply. The

students will have the unique opportunity to participate in lectures and discuss important issues on democracy, human rights and the rule of law with professors, practitioners, and international and regional experts. The lectures, provided in "tandems" of teachers with different academic and regional backgrounds, will take place in the morning and in the afternoon (with the exemption of two afternoons for free time), followed by evening discussions and round tables.

Between the lectures, students will have time to enjoy the sea and explore the cultural heritage of Montenegro!

Certificates and credits

After passing the obligatory final exam, students will get a diploma. It is possible to gain ECTS points dependent on the plan and programme of the student's respective faculties and universities.

Registration fees and accommodation

The registration fee for students and graduates from the Western Balkan region, Croatia, Hungary, Romania and Bulgaria is **EUR 150**.

The registration fee for students and graduates from EU Member States and other countries is **EUR 250**.

The Straniak Academy covers the costs for the lectures and accommodation (half board including breakfast and lunch in the hotel).

The call for application is open until 26 June 2016!

More information about the Academy, the application procedure and reports on the previous Straniak Academies are available on the following website:

<http://bim.lbg.ac.at/en/straniak-academy-democracy-and-human-rights-0>

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