

Zoran Pašalić
Serbian Protector of Citizens

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Letter of appreciation: contribution to ENNHRI's work on migration

Dear Zoran,

I am writing to congratulate your institution for its recent work in the field of migration and to express my gratitude for the commitment of your staff in the implementation of ENNHRI's completed [project](#) on "NHRI's work to promote and protect the human rights of borders".

The field of migration is the subject of heated debate in Europe. NHRIs and other human rights defenders often face strong opposition from government and/or civil society when calling for the protection of the human rights of migrants, and can face a hostile environment when carrying out their mandate. Therefore, working on this topic in an independent and effective manner is a good example of an NHRI's efforts to live by the UN Paris Principles.

ENNHRI was delighted to count on the active engagement and commitment of your NHRI, especially through the work of Marko Anojčić. Your NHRI was one of the five institutions contributing with a specific national report under this project, releasing strong findings and recommendations for better human rights protection at borders.

I hope being part of this project allowed your NHRI to learn from its peers, build its capacity to monitor and report on human rights at borders, and that it helped to amplify your institution's findings and recommendations.

From August 2021 to July 2022, ENNHRI will be implementing a project aimed at supporting NHRI's work to strengthen human rights accountability at borders. We hope your NHRI will continue to actively participate in the activities.

We thank you and all colleagues again for your work and commitment to the network.

Yours sincerely,



Debbie Kohner

ENNHRI Secretary General