

## **Press Release**

## The consortium of the European project «DISMANTLE - Improving police response to discrimination racism & tolerance» continues its work

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The project **«DISMANTLE - Improving police response to discrimination racism & tolerance»** continues its work, developing important activities in the current and upcoming period.

In particular, in the countries participating in the project (Germany, Spain, Greece and Cyprus), a research activity is underway, aiming to analyse the attitude of police personnel towards ethnic and religious minorities, LGBTIQ people, Roma etc., as well as their level of knowledge about the manifestations and consequences of racism and intolerance, using a common methodology and research tools.

At the same time, preparations are being made to organise and hold events in all four (4) participating countries to inform and raise awareness among relevant stakeholders regarding the activities, expected results and benefits of the project (launch events).

In the near future, within the framework of the project, a research activity will follow to analyse the gaps in existing policies and measures implemented by the police to ensure the rights of vulnerable social groups. In addition, online workshops will be organised for mutual learning and exchange of good practices.

In parallel, the project website is expected to be launched by the end of October 2024 (www.dismantle project.com).

The 24-month DISMANTLE project is funded by the European Commission as part of the European Union's Citizens, Equality, Rights and Values (CERV) programme and aims to improve police staff's understanding and skills in respecting ethnic origin, religion or belief, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression and gender characteristics of individuals in all police-civilian processes and communications, as well as understanding the impact of discrimination, racism, xenophobia and other forms of intolerance. The 8 consortium partners from 4 EU Member States, including law enforcement agencies, research institutions and NGOs, with their expertise and experience, aim to increase cooperation between the police and other actors supporting the rights of vulnerable people to improve the response to discrimination, racism, xenophobia and other forms of intolerance.

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