



BUILDING FOR IMPACT: ADDRESSING STATELESSNESS IN EUROPE

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**European
Network on
Statelessness**

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“ What I do all day is stay with my sisters and we play with the other children (...) those who are my age go to school (...) I don't know what school is like, maybe it's nice, I don't know.

ANDREA, 8-YEAR-OLD STATELESS CHILD FROM ROMANIA

MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR



Among the unprecedented numbers of displaced men, women and children arriving in Europe today, there are growing numbers of stateless people. Although often overlooked, this is not surprising when you consider that statelessness is both a cause and a consequence of forced displacement.

This creates both challenges and opportunities. There is understandably broader concern that rising populism and fear of ‘the Other’ risk exacerbating a crisis of politics which renders governments unable, if not already unwilling, to adequately respond to the current situation. But equally there is now a real opportunity to pinpoint gaps and corresponding policy solutions necessary to address the specific situation of stateless persons, where there exists more political space in which to operate.

One such forum which we have successfully influenced is the recently launched European Migration Network’s Statelessness Platform – mandated by the European Council to work with the European Commission to identify and share good practice among Member States regarding the identification of stateless persons. We will continue to work closely with UNHCR and other partners to support this initiative. During 2016 Bulgaria, Greece and the Netherlands all introduced, or made progress with developing, statelessness determination procedures – advocating for which has been a major priority for us since launching our Network. Such progress is welcome, although at the same time, significant flaws in the design of all these new procedures highlight the need for continuing vigilance in our efforts to monitor developments, and to facilitate training and sharing of expertise among a wide spectrum of stakeholders. In 2017 we will bolster our capacity to do this by rolling out the pilot implementation of a comparative database on statelessness in Europe, which will build on our efforts to date.

As described in this report, our work to research, advocate, campaign and share expertise has achieved significant further progress this year – in particular to successfully shine a spotlight on the problem of childhood statelessness, and to get this issue higher up the agenda of the European Union and other key institutions.

This year has been a reminder of the value of collaboration, among our members, our partners, and across sectors. The platform provided by our #StatelessKids campaign has enabled us to successfully mobilize a new constituency of supporters, most notably to engage youth with our work. This helped us to garner over 22,000 signatures for our online petition calling on European leaders to take action. Highlighting the human impact of statelessness through the gathering of individual testimonies also remains at the heart of all our work. Embedded storytelling enables us to engage new audiences and to elevate conversations with policy-makers to achieve change. It also inspires and motivates us to re-double our efforts.

In 2017 this will include a strong focus on protecting stateless persons from arbitrary detention, the centrepiece for which will be a major conference in May where we will launch a new flagship report setting out an agenda for change and providing a platform for region-wide advocacy on this issue. We will also work on several collaborative projects – for example to more fully understanding the impact of statelessness on Roma communities, and to seek to initiate research allowing us to better analyse and address the interaction between statelessness and the refugee crisis. In all our efforts, we will be emboldened by being able to rely on our recently expanded Secretariat, the active contribution of our growing membership and the increased engagement by our widening supporter base.

Thank you for your ongoing support,

CHRIS NASH, DIRECTOR

UNDERSTANDING AND ADDRESSING STATELESSNESS

Among the millions of stateless people worldwide it is estimated that there are more than 600,000 in Europe alone.

Although many European states have ratified the relevant international instruments, they lack effective national frameworks to deal with statelessness. This has left many individuals vulnerable to discrimination and human rights abuse.

Stateless people face numerous difficulties in their daily lives: they can lack access to health care, education, employment, property rights and the ability to move freely across borders, leaving many destitute and abandoned on the margins of their societies. It may be impossible to get married, open a bank account or get a driving license – many of the things that most people take for granted.

While statelessness occurs for a variety of reasons – discrimination against minority groups, issues regarding state succession, conflicts of laws between states, or even deliberate policies by states to deny or strip people of nationality – it is essential that Europe recognises and addresses this issue if it is to uphold its traditions of freedom, democracy, equality, the rule of law and respect for human rights.

“ In a remarkably short space of time, ENS has mobilized a wide array of civil society actors, to work collaboratively to address statelessness in Europe. Harnessing the diversity of expertise and the impressive reach of the network’s members, ENS has succeeded in translating research into advocacy tools and actions aimed at achieving change.

LAURA VAN WAAS, CO-DIRECTOR AT THE INSTITUTE ON STATELESSNESS AND INCLUSION

WHO WE ARE AND HOW WE WORK

Statelessness is a major human rights problem in Europe, yet for far too long it was ignored, with relatively little known about its causes, consequences and who it affects.

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ENS was founded to act as a coordinating body and expert resource for organisations working to end statelessness in Europe. At the heart of our strategy has been an understanding of the need to mainstream and

raise awareness about statelessness and nationality issues, to build the capacity of civil society to take action, and to act as an effective catalyst for change.

During 2016 we’ve further increased our profile and impact, leading civil society efforts to address statelessness in Europe and translating this into protection for those affected. We remain dedicated to strengthening the often unheard voices of stateless men, women and children in Europe.

Our thematic priorities include **children** – ending childhood statelessness, **access to justice** – protecting stateless people from arbitrary detention, **forced displacement** – adopting comprehensive systems that protect and regularise stateless migrants and **anti-discrimination** – preventing statelessness among minority populations.

OUR THEORY OF CHANGE



CAPACITY BUILDING

Although numerous organisations have a mandate to address statelessness, few possess the specialist knowledge to tackle the root causes. We provide training and a forum for the exchange of information and good practice. Our specialist pool of trainers and experts implements our Europe Wide Training Programme to build capacity among civil society partners, policy makers and other key stakeholders.

AWARENESS-RAISING

Despite increased awareness, statelessness remains relatively poorly understood. We aim to give a human face to the issue. Our weekly blog and quarterly newsletter provide opinion and analysis of developments to a readership of thousands. Our research and policy work generates widespread media coverage and we run targeted campaigns to support our advocacy.

LAW & POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Our goal is to ensure full respect for the rights of stateless people through evidence-based advocacy. We commission and publish research so the issue is fully understood and effective policy solutions implemented. Additionally, our litigation working group brings about change through the targeted use of strategic litigation.

OUR ACTIVITIES AND IMPACT

PROTECTING STATELESS PERSONS FROM ARBITRARY DETENTION

Across Europe a failure by states to put in place effective systems to identify stateless people leaves thousands exposed to repeated and indefinite detention. In 2016, working with its members as part of a three-year project, ENS published new research mapping the scope and use of immigration detention in Ukraine, the UK and Bulgaria. The reports from the UK and Bulgaria received extensive media coverage and all three country partners organised dissemination events targeting lawyers, civil society organisations, government representatives and other stakeholders. The research conducted over the course of the project will inform a new Agenda for Change to be published in 2017 calling for concerted regional advocacy to protect stateless people from arbitrary detention.



Luxembourg, April 2016 – Presentation by ENS Director Chris Nash at the statelessness conference organised by the European Migration Network



Budapest, November 2016 – Seventeen ENS Advisory Committee members met in Budapest for a three-day strategy meeting and advanced training workshop

HELPING TO SHAPE THE EU RESPONSE TO STATELESSNESS

Following the adoption of the first ever Conclusions on Statelessness by the European Council in December 2015, we have carried out a concerted engagement with the European Commission and the European Migration Network (EMN), tasked with taking forward the Conclusions. We presented at an EMN statelessness conference in Luxembourg in April 2016 and a closed meeting of Permanent Representatives in October 2016. We held bilateral meetings with the Slovakian Presidency of the EU, and issued a public statement to Slovakia and Malta ahead of their respective EU Presidencies.

ENS members continue to engage in advocacy with the EMN and national governments across Europe. ENS has also spoken at various high profile events, including the annual EU Forum on the Rights of the Child in Brussels in November. The influential LIBE Committee of the European Parliament has been persuaded to hold a dedicated hearing on statelessness in 2017, influenced by online petitions submitted by ENS.

BUILDING CAPACITY AND SHARING OUR EXPERTISE

ENS has continued to develop its Europe Wide Training Programme (EWTP) in partnership with members, supporting the roll-out of training for lawyers, NGOs and government decision-makers in Albania, Poland and the Netherlands. This capacity-building work has reinforced national-level advocacy towards the introduction of dedicated statelessness protection mechanisms and has equipped lawyers to directly uphold the human rights of stateless persons.

In September, ENS held a three-day advanced training workshop and planning meeting in Budapest for our Advisory Committee members. The meeting was followed by a conference on managing and identifying statelessness organised by the European Migration Network and supported by ENS.

We are regularly invited to share our expertise with both governmental and inter-governmental partners. This year, ENS presented at events in Borjomi, Brussels, Bucharest, Budapest, Geneva, London, Santiago, Sofia and Strasbourg.

“ If we are to achieve our common goals to tackle statelessness in Europe it is vital that ENS and UNHCR continue their strong collaboration. It is a model that has already helped inspire the creation of regional networks elsewhere as part of an emerging global coalition helping us deliver on the #IBelong Campaign to end statelessness in 10 years.

VOLKER TURK, ASSISTANT HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR PROTECTION, UNHCR

ADVOCATING THROUGH UN HUMAN RIGHTS MECHANISMS

Statelessness is fundamentally a human rights issue and one of the ways in which we seek to tackle it is through advocacy and engagement with human rights mechanisms. In partnership with the Institute on Statelessness and Inclusion and our national members, we have made submissions this year to the UN's Universal Periodic Review process on the United Kingdom and the Netherlands, as well as to the Committee on the Rights of the Child on Serbia and Estonia.



Geneva, October 2016 – ENS Youth Ambassador Ivan Kochovski spoke at the UNHCR #IBelong anniversary event, alongside the High Commissioner Filippo Grandi and Honorary Lifetime Goodwill Ambassador Barbara Hendricks. (Photo: UNHCR/Susan Hopper)

SUPPORTING AN EMERGING GLOBAL CIVIL SOCIETY COALITION TO END STATELESSNESS

Throughout 2016, we continued to take strategic advantage of the profile and media interest generated through UNHCR's #IBelong campaign which seeks to eradicate statelessness within a decade. ENS is coordinating European civil society's contribution to the campaign.

We have continued to share our experience with other developing regional networks, including at a global NGO statelessness retreat in Geneva in June 2016. We also arranged a bilateral meeting with UNHCR Assistant High Commissioner Volker Turk to discuss key concerns and strategies, also attended by representatives from other regional networks.

STATELESSNESS AND MINORITY GROUPS IN EUROPE

In July, we staged a two-day workshop in Belgrade to kick off an exciting new joint project with the European Roma Rights Centre and the Institute on Statelessness and Inclusion. The project aims to strengthen the understanding, attitudes and capacity of Roma rights organisations and activists to effectively mobilise to end Roma statelessness. Research findings will be published in 2017 as a platform for concerted advocacy aimed at achieving improved regional and national responses.

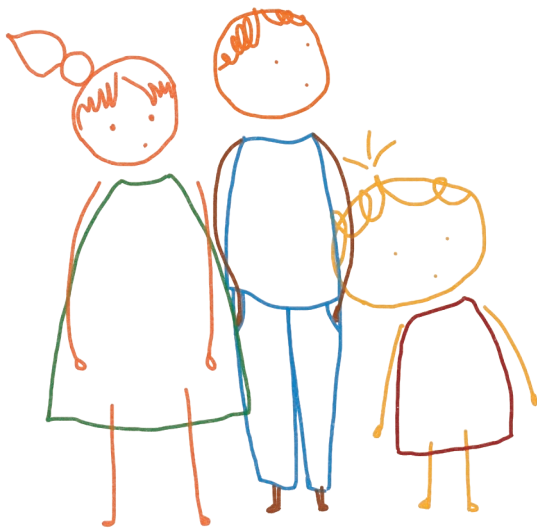


LITIGATING FOR CHANGE

Another key component of our law and policy work in 2016 has been the continued development and implementation of a three-year strategic litigation strategy, including through a dedicated working group. In January, ENS launched a challenge in the Serbian Constitutional Court to contest barriers to birth registration in partnership with the European Roma Rights Centre and Praxis Serbia. Working to prevent statelessness through improved access to birth registration is a key component of our #StatelessKids campaign.

In July, ENS convened a dedicated litigation training workshop for 15 members. We also provided funding to members in Bulgaria and the Netherlands to identify and develop an 'incubator' of cases suitable for strategic litigation with a focus on arbitrary detention.

#STATELESSKIDS – CAMPAIGNING TO END CHILDHOOD STATELESSNESS IN EUROPE



Thousands of children in Europe are growing up without a nationality. For those affected this can mean missing out on healthcare, education and other opportunities. It brings hardship and anguish to children and their parents alike. No child should be left without a nationality. It is a problem that is entirely solvable, yet over half of European countries don't have necessary safeguards in place to protect children from statelessness.

In 2016, ENS launched our **#StatelessKids** campaign calling on European countries to end childhood statelessness once and for all. A key component of this was an online petition, launched in June on the WeMove campaigning platform. The petition was translated into nine languages, and received over 22,000 signatures in under six months.

A dedicated **#StatelessKids** website (www.statelesskids.eu) provides resources and information on the issue including a short campaign video and three visual explainers.

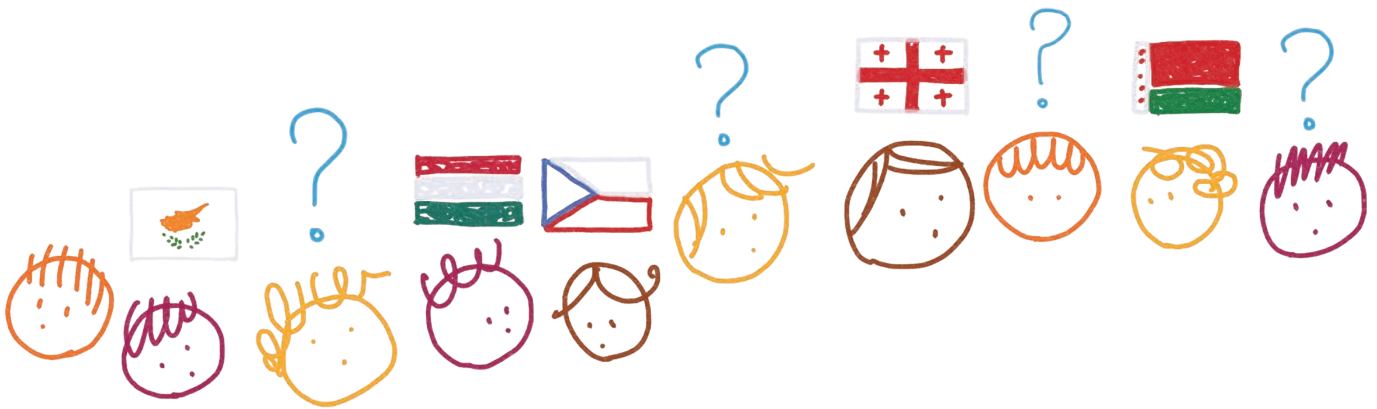
Following advocacy efforts, including by UNHCR and our members the Norwegian Association for Asylum Seekers (NOAS) and the Institute on Statelessness and Inclusion, Norway issued a new instruction aligning citizenship practice with international law – taking an important step towards ensuring that no child born in Norway remains stateless.

“ We came to Brussels to advocate on behalf of the weakest members of our societies. Most of them are invisible, but that doesn't mean they don't exist. They can't speak for themselves, so it's time we do it on their behalf.

JESSICA KLASSEN, ENS YOUTH AMBASSADOR



Brussels, July 2016 – ENS youth ambassadors met with a delegation of Parliamentarians calling for action to end childhood statelessness



#STATELESSKIDS YOUTH CONGRESS

In July, 35 youth ambassadors from across Europe joined ENS members in Brussels for three days of training, strategy development and planning on how to eradicate childhood statelessness.

The energy and commitment of youth ambassadors to tackle statelessness was truly inspiring, and as one of them wrote afterwards "this was one of the liveliest, most engaged and energetic conferences I've been to [...] giving us the tools to engage the public and policy on the issue".

The congress culminated in an event in the European Parliament where the youth ambassadors met with a delegation of Parliamentarians to call for action and discuss ways to end childhood statelessness.

One of the youth ambassadors who spoke at the Parliament was Mazen, a stateless Palestinian from Syria, who told of the hardship and struggles brought on by growing up without a nationality. Mazen now lives in Cyprus where he has finally found a home and a sense of belonging, and is working to help other people seeking protection.

Following the congress, ENS worked together with members and youth ambassadors in seven priority countries to implement a range of activities designed to raise awareness and influence national stakeholders.



Brussels, July 2016 – youth ambassadors and ENS members from 17 different countries came to a three-day conference to discuss the role of young people in ending statelessness

HANDING OVER THE #STATELESSKIDS PETITION

In November at an event in the European Parliament, we handed over the #StatelessKids petition with over 22,000 signatures to the Council of Europe and the EU Parliament. More than 15 members of parliament came out to support the campaign and to commit to working with us to end childhood statelessness. The event was also attended by several key stakeholders from the Council of Europe, and included an address by Nils Muižnieks, Council of Europe Commissioner for Human Rights.

To mark the occasion across Europe satellite events were also held by our members in Italy, Poland, Slovenia, France, United Kingdom, Albania, Macedonia and Serbia, amplifying our collective voice.



Strasbourg, November 2016 – ENS youth ambassador, Claudia Bensimhon, presented the #StatelessKids petition to Cecilia Wikström, Chair of the EU Petitions Committee, and Manlio di Stefano, Member of the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe

#STATELESSKIDS AROUND EUROPE

ENS members and youth ambassadors have organised a range of activities around Europe in support of the campaign: teaching in schools, exhibitions, meetings, influencing national stakeholders, producing videos and information campaigns, and building new alliances to continue their work into 2017.

#STATELESSKIDS IN SLOVENIA

Our Slovenian member, The Peace Institute, and youth ambassadors showed that innovation is key when speaking about statelessness to new audiences. They developed a short documentary, which was screened at universities and as a part of a film festival. They've also designed a card game to get people talking about statelessness.



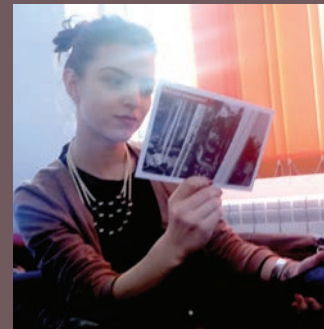
#STATELESSKIDS IN MACEDONIA

Our member, Macedonian Young Lawyers Association (MYLA) and youth ambassadors went to local secondary schools to talk about statelessness as part of their awareness raising. They also put on a photography exhibition and made a short video, which was aired on TV stations as part of a UNHCR project.



#STATELESSKIDS IN SERBIA

In Serbia we worked in partnership with our member, Praxis, and youth ambassadors to raise awareness in secondary schools and local youth clubs and to promote measures to ensure that children can realise their right to a nationality through stakeholder meetings.

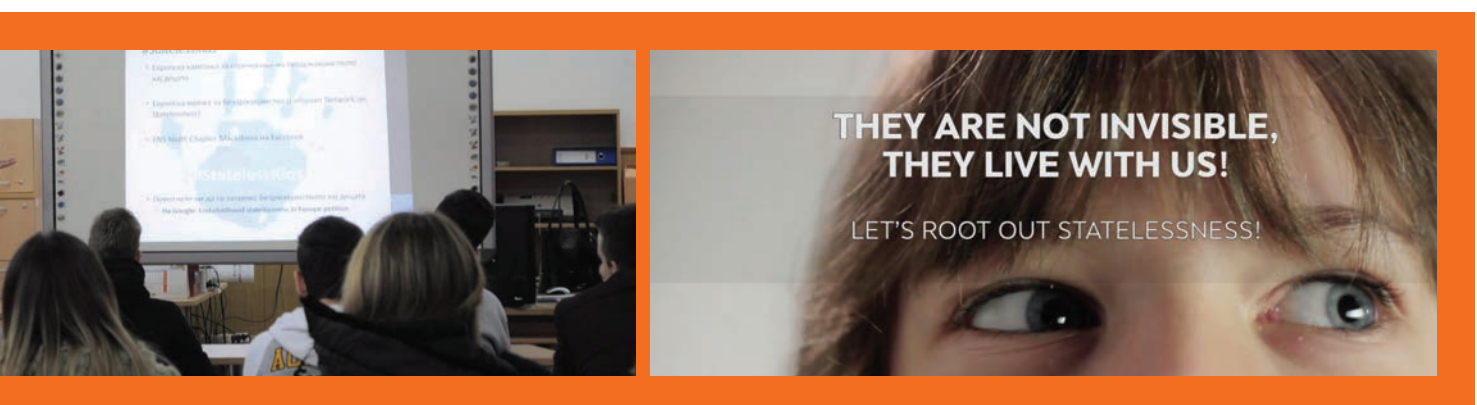


#STATELESSKIDS IN POLAND

In Poland, our partner Halina Niec Legal Aid Center went to schools to talk to students about childhood statelessness and what it means to live without a nationality.

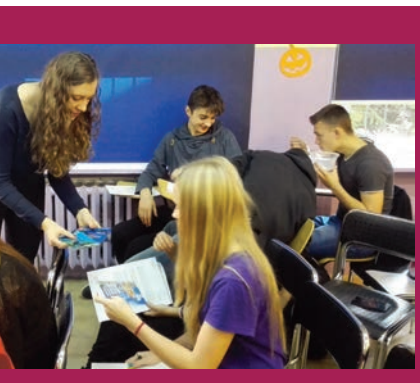
This is a message from a postcard written by a 15-year old Polish student to the country's President as part of the #StatelessKids campaign:





“ We wanted young people to be aware that children at risk of statelessness exist in their close surroundings, that they probably see them on the streets and maybe even know some of them.

DIJANA AND IVANA, ENS YOUTH AMBASSADORS IN SERBIA



Dear Mr President,

There are many stateless people living in Poland. They have no chance of a normal life, they cannot access higher education or even rent an apartment. Did you know about this? I didn't. Now that I do, I would like to ask you to make Poland sign the 1954 Convention Relating to the Status of Stateless Persons.

Sincerely, Bałomiej



OUR STAFF, TRUSTEES, ADVISORY COMMITTEE & MEMBERS

ENS has a small but dedicated secretariat based at our London office, tasked with coordination and development of the Network. We operate a controlled growth and engagement strategy by maintaining an agile structure and a philosophy of building capacity and, wherever possible, channelling resources through our members across 40 European countries.

STAFF

Chris Nash, Director: Chris is the Director and co-founder of ENS. He has worked in the refugee and migration field for 19 years, initially as an asylum lawyer and then at the European Council on Refugees and Exiles (Head of Policy & Advocacy), the Refugee Council of Australia (National Policy Director), Amnesty International (Head of Refugee & Migrant Rights Team) and Asylum Aid (International Protection Policy Coordinator). He is a sought after speaker and has written widely on asylum, migration and statelessness.

Nina Murray – Research and Policy Coordinator: Nina joined ENS in March 2017. She holds a masters degree in Migration Studies and a BA in Modern Iberian and Latin American Regional Studies. She previously worked at the Scottish Refugee Council for over six years, and has extensive experience undertaking and leading research, policy development and advocacy with a focus on gender and refugee rights. She has also worked as a researcher at What Works Scotland, based at the University of Glasgow, and in a range of other professional and voluntary roles in the human rights field.

Jan Brulc – Head of Communications: Jan joined ENS in November 2015 to run its communications and advocacy work. He holds a Masters degree in politics. Previously, Jan worked for the Migrants' Rights Network and the European Council on Refugees and Exiles, managing communications work from their London and Brussels offices. He also worked as a lead web developer at Small Axe and in the media department at the European Medicine Agency.

Elizabeth Odette – Operations Manager: Elizabeth joined ENS in November 2015 as operations manager responsible for managing HR, finance, governance and administration. Before joining ENS Elizabeth worked in a broad range of finance and business administration roles in the charity sector for over 10 years. Her interests include working with young people in various projects with which she is involved.

ADVISORY COMMITTEE

ENS is a membership organisation. This gives us a strength beyond our staff and trustees, and a reach across Europe. Our Secretariat receives ongoing support from the Advisory Committee members, who regularly lead on delivering training and research, contributing to strategic planning and representing the organisation at external events across Europe.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

We owe a big thank you to the tireless work of our youth ambassadors and volunteers who've contributed their time, energy and creativity to the #StatelessKids campaign in 2016 and who we look forward to working with in the future.

Khadija Badri, Sara Bagari, Claudia Bensimhon, Martina Bezzini, Mazen Bishtawe, Paulina Bockowska, Youssef Boubaker, Deirdre Brennan, Dijana Dackovic, James Draper, Natalia Durkalec, Ines Fernandes, Sara Horvat, Saskia Jansen, Jessica Klassen, Ivan Kochovski, Dorela Lazaj, Nina Markovic, Rabea Niggemeyer, Guillermo Palomar, Bojana Peshova, Ivana Radojkovic, Lidia Ramos Palacios, Justine Raymond, Maria Lucrezia, Victoria Katharina Sauer, Elisar Sayegh, Cindy Schaefer, Andrea Sesin, Magdalena Süß, Christelle Tambi, Roosa Tuominen, Sanja Varsakjevska and Dolinda Vrolijk.



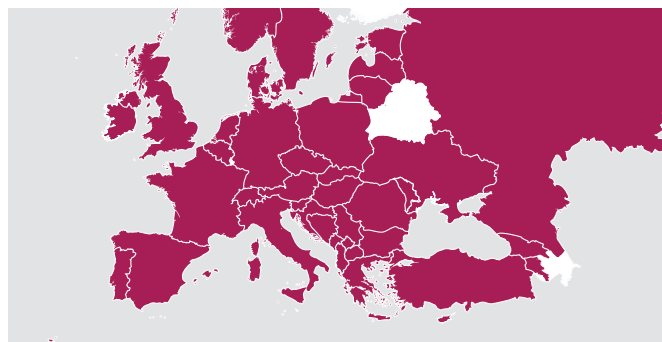
BOARD OF TRUSTEES

ENS has an active Board of Trustees currently made up of six members, responsible for overseeing the governance of the charity. They are:

- **Stefanie Grant** – An experienced human rights lawyer and expert, currently working as a consultant
- **Gábor Gyulai** – Refugee Programme Manager at the Hungarian Helsinki Committee
- **Ivanka Kostic** – Founder and Executive Director of Praxis (Serbia)
- **Allan Leas (Chair)** – An experienced human rights professional, formerly ECRE Secretary General and currently working as a consultant
- **James Woodeson (Treasurer)** – Secretary General of the British-Swiss Chamber of Commerce
- **Maurice Wren** – Chief Executive of the Refugee Council (UK)

OUR MEMBERS

Our membership spans a broad spectrum, from large international NGOs to smaller grassroots organisations: legal advice agencies, research and policy institutions, frontline service providers, detention specialists and several prominent international law experts. We have over 100 members in 40 European countries (see shaded areas of map).



Advisory Committee members:

ASKV Refugee Support, Netherlands * Asylum Aid, UK * The Equal Rights Trust, UK * European Roma Rights Centre, Hungary * Forum Réfugiés-Cosi, France * Halina Niec Legal Aid Centre, Poland * HIAS Ukraine * Human Rights League, Slovakia * Hungarian Helsinki Committee * Immigrant Council of Ireland * The Institute on Statelessness and Inclusion, Netherlands * Latvian Centre for Human Rights * Open Society Justice Initiative * Praxis, Serbia * Hilka Becker, Ireland * Adrian Berry, UK * Jyothi Kanics, Switzerland * Katja Swider, Netherlands

Associate member organisations:

Audit Foundation, Malta * AIRE Centre, UK * Archway Foundation, Romania * Association for Integration and Migration, Czech Republic * Association for Juridical Studies on Immigration, Italy * Asylkoordination, Austria * Bail for Immigration Detainees, UK * Belgian Refugee Council, Belgium * British Red Cross, UK * Caritas Vienna, Austria * Civic Assistance Committee for Refugees, Russia * Civil Rights Programme, Kosovo * Coram Children's Legal Centre, UK * Danish Refugee Council, Denmark * Desyate Kvitnya, Ukraine * Detention Action, UK * Diakonie Flüchtlingsdienst, Austria * EUDO Citizenship, regional * Faith Hope Love, Russia * Foundation for Access to Rights (FAR), Bulgaria * Future Worlds Centre, Cyprus * Greek Council for Refugees, Greece * Helsinki Foundation for Human Rights, Poland * Immigration Law Practitioners' Association (ILPA), UK * Information Legal Centre, Croatia * Innovations and Reforms Centre, Georgia * Italian Council for Refugees, Italy * JRS Romania * Kerk in Actie, Netherlands * Law Centre of Advocates, Moldova * Legal Centre, Montenegro * Legal Clinic for Refugees and Immigrants, Bulgaria

* Legal Information Centre on Human Rights, Estonia * Lithuanian Red Cross Society, Lithuania * Liverpool University Law Clinic, UK * Macedonia Young Lawyers Association, Macedonia * Migrant Rights Network, UK * NGO Vitality, Moldova * Norwegian Organisation for Asylum Seekers * Norwegian Refugee Council * Peace Institute, Slovenia * People for Change Foundation, Malta * Portuguese Refugee Council, Portugal * Public Law Project, UK * Refugee Action, UK * Refugees International, regional * Refugee Rights, Turkey * Tirana Legal Aid Society (TLAS), Albania * Vasa Prava, Bosnia and Herzegovina

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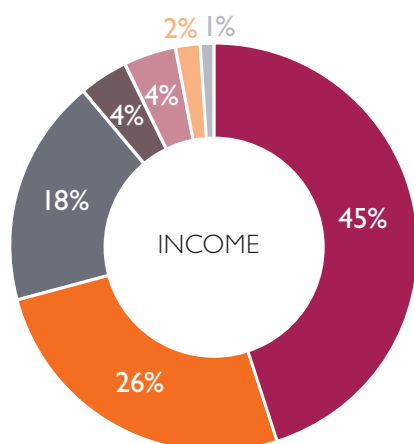
FINANCES

The information below is an extract from our full annual financial statement, which was approved by the ENS Board of Trustees on 11th April 2017. This underwent Independent Financial Examination, and has been submitted to the Charity Commission. For further information, please consult the full financial statement, the Independent Examiner's Report and the Trustees' annual report which are available from ENS on request. The information covers the period between 1 January to 31 December 2016.

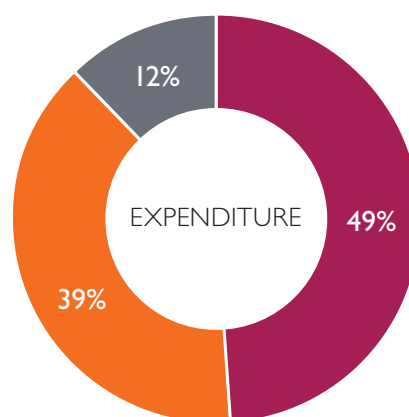
	Unrestricted funds (£)	Restricted funds (£)	Total funds (£)
INCOME			
Grants received	100,000	123,289	223,289
Other voluntary income	4,063	-	4,063
TOTAL INCOME	104,063	123,289	227,352
EXPENDITURE			
Charitable activities	94,449	114,175	209,624
Governance costs	276	1,200	1,476
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	95,725	115,375	211,100
Transfers between Funds	11	(11)	-
TOTAL FUNDS (31 DECEMBER 2015)	61,575*	7,903**	69,478

* Part of these funds (£40,000) comprise monies which are required to be expended by 31 August 2017.

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- UNHCR – Europe Bureau
- Oak Foundation
- Sigrid Rausing Trust
- UNHCR – Global Learning Centre
- Open Society Foundations
- Other Income
- European Roma Rights Centre



- Staff
- Activities & Project Costs
- Governance & Core Costs

“ Stateless persons should not be denied their fundamental rights. ENS has filled a void in terms of previous limited civil society action on statelessness and I have witnessed first-hand their instrumental role in pushing this issue higher up the agenda. This helps us to maintain a strong focus on tackling the problem.

BORISS CILEVIČS, COUNCIL OF EUROPE PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY MEMBER

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