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NATIONAL LEGAL WORKSHOP

**CIVIL AND LEGAL ASPECTS OF PROTECTION AGAINST
DISCRIMINATION**

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2009, Varna,
Bulgaria

On September 23 – 25 2009, the Commission for Protection against Discrimination is organizing for second year the National Legal Workshop in Varna, Bulgaria – unique forum providing an opportunity for magistrates, lawyers and judges at national level to meet and exchange knowledge and expertise on specific issues and cases. The first National Legal Workshop was organized in 2008, with the financial support of PROGRESS Programme (Partners In the Fight Against Discrimination Project).

This year, the theme is **CIVIL AND LEGAL ASPECTS OF PROTECTION AGAINST DISCRIMINATION**, focusing on the new initiatives planned and implemented by the European Commission in promoting the antidiscrimination legislation and equality principles, the European Court of Justice and the European Court on Human Rights case law and practice, and the European Commission against Racism and Intolerance General Policy Recommendations and Country Report for Bulgaria, the new initiatives in combating racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia, antisemitism and intolerance in greater Europe from the perspective of the protection of human rights, in the light of the European Convention on Human Rights.

For more information, see the Agenda attached.