



Annual Report Twenty Ten

Securing Impact



Irish Council for
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Now is the time to secure the future of the ICCL.

2010 has been a year during which the ICCL has consolidated its reputation as a core element of Ireland's human rights infrastructure. The strategic policy priorities set by the Executive have been delivered effectively through the organisation's work.

We are pleased to be able to report that the organisation's human and financial resources have remained stable over the year, and that the ICCL's enhanced credibility and capacity has enabled it to attract some new sources of funding, most notably, a new core funding stream from the European Commission.

In addition to our policy oversight functions, our governance responsibility as Co-Chairs requires us to look beyond this short to medium term viability towards the long-term sustainability of the organisation's work.



Message from the Co-Chairs

We are very fortunate to have retained significant core funding from the Atlantic Philanthropies, but other sources of major funding will be required if the organisation is to maintain its role as Ireland's independent human rights watchdog.

Our independence is the key to our effectiveness: the ICCL has never sought, or accepted, Government funding for its core activities and the Government cannot appoint people to its Executive, nor can it second officials to the ICCL's staff. With no say in our finances, the Government cannot constrain what we do or say.

This is a very challenging financial environment for everyone in Ireland. Pre-recession assumptions about the growth of philanthropy in Ireland have proven unfounded and many people previously thought to be "high net worth individuals" have turned out to be men and women of straw. Now is the time for those of our members, supporters and friends (both private individuals and trusts/foundations) who have the means to do so to help us to secure the future of the ICCL.

Malachy Murphy, Co-Chair (Operations)



As we enter the ICCL's 35th anniversary year, we will be appealing to you to make sure that we retain our independence and effectiveness far into the future. We very much hope that you will respond to our call.

We would like to thank our fellow Executive members for all of their collegiate support throughout 2010. Two new members—Siobhán Cummiskey and Niall Mulligan—have joined the Executive and have already made a significant contribution to our work. In 2011, three of our longest-serving Executive members—Conor Power, Jean Tansey and one of us (Malachy)—will be stepping down, having reached the end of the terms allowed by the ICCL's Constitution. Their depth and breadth of experience, as well as their sincere commitment to the ICCL will be sorely missed. A recruitment process to fill these vacancies is underway and some promising candidates have been identified to fill the slots vacated by Conor, Jean and Malachy.

The very hard work of our professional staff also plays a critical part in the ICCL's ongoing success and we would like to thank them for all of their efforts throughout 2010.

Natalie McDonnell, Co-Chair (Policy)

Director's Foreword

All human rights are local... when they are not European or global.

2010 has been a year during which the multilateralist approach of the Irish Council for Civil Liberties has buttressed our work to promote and protect human rights in Ireland.

The significance of the European dimension to our work cannot be over-estimated. A great deal of European legislation, which is directly applicable in Ireland, is now being pre-agreed between the two “co-legislators”—the European Parliament and the Council of Ministers—before being fast-tracked into European and national law. Some of the legislation concerned threatens civil liberties (for example, proposals to expand data retention), while other measures (on defence rights and the human rights of victims) potentially strengthen our rights, in line with European best practice.



Irrespective of whether particular measures represent threats or opportunities, civil libertarians ignore European legislation at their peril. We can no longer afford to reserve our lobbying and advocacy efforts until measures effectively pre-agreed at European level are sent to the Dáil for formal approval. If we wish to exert a positive influence on the shape of our future laws we must now be active in Brussels and Strasbourg as well as in Dublin.

During 2010, the ICCL has been working closely with partner organisations in Europe, including JUSTICE, Fair Trials International, Amnesty International (European Institutions Office) and the Open Society Justice Initiative, to ensure that new European legislation is underpinned by human rights principles. The quality of this work has been recognised by the European Commission, which has awarded us core funding to support our activities on the development of EU-wide legislation to protect the fundamental rights of victims of crime and of defendants. In addition, the ICCL remains the ‘RAXEN’ National Focal Point for Ireland for the European Union’s Fundamental Rights Agency.

The ICCL also has a long tradition of working with European and global human rights mechanisms, such as the various Council of Europe and United Nations treaty bodies, to call attention to human rights deficits at home. That work continued in 2010, and will expand significantly in 2011, when Ireland faces its first comprehensive human rights audit under the United Nations Universal Periodic Review (UPR).

In 2010, the ICCL’s participation in a new International Network of Civil Liberties Organisations (INCLLO) added a new global dimension to our work, enabling us to learn directly from the experiences of like-minded civil liberties organisations in Argentina, Canada, Egypt, Hungary, Israel, Kenya, South Africa, the United Kingdom and the United States. Just as governments gain from cooperation in multilateral fora, so can those who aspire to hold them to account.

Ensuring that key human rights developments at European and global level are effectively understood at home remains at the heart of our work. The innovative ICCL *Know Your Rights* project has translated complex legal information into ordinary language guides awarded the Plain English Mark by the National Adult Literacy Agency.

Our Human Rights Film Awards, entering their third successful year, have continued to harness the ability of filmmakers to illuminate the most challenging human rights issues. Working collectively with colleagues from a variety of LGBT organisations, we have shown the potential of social media to bring human rights messages to new and ever-wider audiences.

At the end of 2010, the critical question for the ICCL is—how can we most effectively sustain the impact of our work? In 2011, the ICCL will celebrate 35 years of promoting and protecting human rights in Ireland, but the future financial viability of the organisation could be far more secure.

Human rights—whether at national, European or global level—don’t protect themselves. Your active financial support is vital to ensure that the ICCL can continue to play the independent watchdog role that we document in these pages.

So if, when you read this annual report, you find that you like and appreciate what we do, now is the time to consider making a more significant investment in the long-term future of the Irish Council for Civil Liberties.

Mark Kelly, Director

Our People



The ICCL is governed by an Executive Board drawn from academia, business, civil society and the law.

From Left to Right:

Natalie McDonnell (Co-Chair—Policy)

Malachy Murphy (Co-Chair—Operations)

Mark Keating

John Kennedy

Mary McIvor

Aogán Mulcahy

Conor Power

Jean Tansey

Niall Mulligan

Siobhán Cummysky

The ICCL has a professional staff of nine people working across three teams:

- RESEARCH & POLICY
- COMMUNICATIONS & CAMPAIGNS
- ORGANISATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

From Left to Right:

Stephen O'Hare

Karen Ciesielski

Mark Kelly

Lorraine Curran

Walter Jayawardene

Joanne Garvey

Deirdre Duffy

Suzanne Handley

Tanya Ward



The ICCL's flagship project in 2010, Know Your Rights is a public information project designed to inform people in clear and accessible language about their rights under various key areas of the law in Ireland.

Fostering a Human Rights Culture

The ICCL's role is to act as a watchdog and to ensure that human rights standards are mainstreamed into law, policy and practice in Ireland.

KNOW YOUR RIGHTS— THE ICCL'S FLAGSHIP PROJECT IN 2010

2010 saw the launch of Know Your Rights, an ambitious ICCL public information project including a series of booklets designed to inform people in plain English about their rights in key areas of the law.

A total of three booklets were published in 2010 on the topics of: Privacy; Criminal Justice and Garda Powers (kindly sponsored by Garrett Sheehan & Partners); and the European Convention on Human Rights (generously supported by the Public

Anthony Lester QC with PILA Manager Larry Donnelly and ICCL Research and Policy Officer Deirdre Duffy at the launch of *Know Your Rights: The European Convention on Human Rights in Ireland* in November 2010



Interest Law Alliance). Designed to respond to some of the most common public queries made to the ICCL, the booklets are plain English-proofed and have been awarded the “Plain English” mark by the National Adult Literacy Agency (NALA) for their use of accessible language.

The booklets were disseminated nationwide through a partnership with the Citizen’s Information Board, and were promoted nationwide throughout the year via syndicated articles in the local press. Know Your Rights also enjoyed a prominent online presence on the ICCL’s dedicated mini-site www.knowyourrights.ie, where print-friendly and browseable versions were made available. Since the launch of the project, Know Your Rights has consistently been the most-consulted section of the ICCL’s website.

Know Your Rights Month and The Know Your Rights Roadshows

Coupled with the production of these public information resources, the ICCL embarked on a publicity campaign to promote the project throughout the month of May 2010. Know Your Rights Month was marked by a series of high-profile slots on RTÉ Radio 1’s Today With Pat Kenny Show featuring expert contributions from Peter Mullan of Garrett Sheehan & Partners Solicitors; Úna Ní Raifeartaigh, Barrister; Gary Davis, Deputy Data Commissioner; TJ McIntyre, digital privacy expert; and Michael Finucane, solicitor and former ICCL Board Member. Podcasts of the Today With Pat Kenny Show Know Your Rights features are available to download [here](#) (Criminal Justice) and [here](#) (Privacy).

The ICCL also raised awareness about the project through ‘Roadshow’ events in Cork and Dundalk. These roadshows are designed to demonstrate the packs to those working in information-provision and advice-giving roles in the community and voluntary sector. They further provide the opportunity for advice-givers to seek input and advice from experts such as Deirdre Kissane of the Legal Aid Board, who attended the Cork roadshow and Billy Hawkes, Data Protection Commissioner, who attended the Dundalk event.



Know Your Rights in 2011 & 2012

The ICCL plans to further expand on the success of the Know Your Rights project’s first year with a number of additions to the series. In partnership with our colleagues in the Irish Penal Reform Trust, the Children’s Rights Alliance and the Gay and Lesbian Equality Network, in 2011 and 2012 the ICCL will roll out further booklets on prisoners’ rights, children’s rights, and on the rights of couples in a Civil Partnership. Further roadshows and publicity are also planned for 2011 ensuring the growth of the Know Your Rights project as a key pillar in the ICCL’s work to foster a human rights culture through educating the public about their rights.

Solicitor Shane McCarthy and the Legal Aid Board’s Deirdre Kissane at the Cork Know Your Rights Roadshow in May 2010



Data Protection Commissioner Billy Hawkes and ICCL Research and Policy Officer Deirdre Duffy speaking at the Know Your Rights Dundalk Roadshow in December 2010



Fintan Fanning, Assistant Commissioner of An Garda Síochána with Mark Kelly at the launch of Know Your Rights: Criminal Justice and Garda Powers in January 2010



GOING GLOBAL— THE NEW INTERNATIONAL NETWORK OF CIVIL LIBERTIES ORGANISATIONS (INCLO)

The ICCL's capacity to learn from other "like-minded" civil liberties organisations has been strengthened through its involvement in the new International Network of Civil Liberties Organisations (INCLO).

The ten founder members of the INCLO are: American Civil Liberties Union; Association for Civil Rights in Israel; Canadian Civil Liberties Association; Centre for Legal and Social Studies (Argentina); Egyptian Initiative for Personal Rights; Hungarian Civil Liberties Union; Irish Council for Civil Liberties; Liberty (United Kingdom); Kenyan Human Rights Commission; and the Legal Resource Centre (South Africa).

This is not a new organisation, nor is it intended to replace or supplant the work of existing international alliances such as the International Federation of Human Rights (FIDH). Rather, its purpose is to enable existing national civil liberties organisations such as the ICCL to cooperate and learn directly from the advocacy, campaigning and organisational development experiences of their peers.

The network will:

- » Provide a framework through which expertise about tactics and strategies in advancing specific civil liberties issues can be shared to the benefit of organisations working in their respective national settings
- » Provide a vehicle for collaborative work on issues of mutual interest that cross national boundaries
- » Assist organisations that are working on issues today that may have broader international implications for others in the future
- » Further the organisational capacity-building efforts of participating organisations.

Thanks to this cooperation, on 16 December 2010 ICCL Director Mark Kelly was able to meet with US Secretary of State Hillary Clinton as part of an INCLO delegation. On the following day, he and Karen Ciesielski of the ICCL's Organisational Development Team met privately with Ms Samantha Power, Special Advisor to President Obama for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights.

Ms Clinton and her senior officials were given a written note highlighting key human rights concerns that the ICCL would like see raised by the US Department of State bilaterally with the Irish Department of Foreign Affairs, and at the United Nations in Geneva. A note raising the same issues was given to, and discussed with,

Ms Power on the following day. The issues concerned included the failure of the Irish Government to render fully effective the human rights accountability mechanisms created in response to the Belfast/Good Friday Agreement and the absence of effective safeguards against the use of Irish airspace as part of a circuit of extraordinary rendition.

During the initial phase of its activities, the INCLO has been funded by the Open Society Institute (OSI).

The ICCL's Karen Ciesielski and Mark Kelly with Samantha Power, Special Advisor to President Obama for Multilateral Affairs and Human Rights, at a meeting in Washington DC in December 2010



In 2010 the ICCL once again was a vocal advocate for a sensible approach to the law on self-defence and the dwelling.



Promoting Justice

The ICCL promotes a justice system that is humane, effective, rigorous and fair, and respects the human rights of all participants.

DEFENCE AND THE DWELLING—ADVOCATING A SENSIBLE APPROACH TO LAW ON HOME DEFENCE

Early in 2010, debate surrounding the rights of householders to defend themselves from intruders once again emerged following the Law Reform Commission's publication in late 2009 of a set of proposals relating to this area. The proposals, which aimed to clarify the circumstances in which a householder could use lethal force defending his or her life, family or property, were reflected to a great degree in the Criminal Law (Defence and the Dwelling) Bill 2010 later published by the then Government in July 2010.

Though the ICCL welcomed efforts to clarify the existing law in this area so that householders are fully aware of their rights, the Commission's proposals went somewhat beyond clarifying the existing law, thereby running the risk that property rights could be placed above the right to life.

Section 3 of the Draft Criminal Law (Defences) Bill produced by the Commission in December 2009 would have allowed householders to justify the use of lethal force not only to repel unlawful force by a burglar, but also to prevent someone entering their property or damaging their home. This proposal is at odds with Article 40.3 (right to life) of the Irish Constitution and potentially conflicts with Ireland's obligations under the European Convention on Human Rights.

Promoting Justice

The proposals also suggested that, at their murder trials, householders could have a defence if they use lethal force not only in their homes, but also in their driveways, fields, gardens or yards.

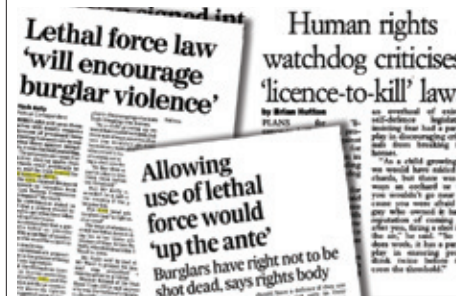
These Law Reform Commission proposals came perilously close to former Minister for Justice Michael McDowell's ill-fated 2007 "licence to kill", and could lead people to believe they can use lethal force against an intruder whatever the circumstances. This would potentially risk placing householders either in greater danger, or in the dock, and increase the risk of unnecessary loss of life. The ICCL engaged in a robust debate on the proposals highlighting these risks.

In addition to extensive media comment on the subject, on 27 January 2010 ICCL Director Mark Kelly gave a detailed presentation of the ICCL's concerns to legislators on the Oireachtas Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights. The ICCL's contribution to the debate, though unpopular in some sections of the media, advanced a sensible approach advocating codification and clarification of the existing law, but warning against changes in legislation that could be interpreted as giving householders a "licence to kill" in otherwise non-lethal situations.

In July 2010, the previous government published the Criminal Law (Defence and the Dwelling) Bill 2010 which drew back from some of the more objectionable Law Reform Commission proposals. However, it contained a number of worrying measures, including an explicit reference to the permissibility of the use of lethal force.

The Bill drew criticism from legal experts and commentators which reflected the debate spearheaded earlier in the year by the ICCL. Though this bill lapsed with the fall of the last Government, it is likely to re-emerge in the lifetime of this new Government. The ICCL is ready to re-engage with the issue once again and will continue to be a strong voice for a sensible approach to home defence that makes real contributions to householders' safety and security, while respecting the right to life.

Some of the press coverage generated by the home defence debate in 2010



Mark Kelly addressing the Joint Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights on 27 January 2010



CRIMINAL JUSTICE— PROTECTING THE RIGHTS OF VICTIMS AND ACCUSED PERSONS

Protection of the Rights of Accused Persons

At the end of 2009, the European Union adopted a roadmap on EU-wide criminal defence rights. The roadmap covers the following measures, many of which are key to a criminal justice system which is fair and effective.

- » **Measure A:**
Translation and Interpretation

- » **Measure B:**
Information on Rights and
Information about the Charges

- » **Measure C:**
Legal Advice and Legal Aid

- » **Measure D:**
Communication with Relatives,
Employers and Consular Authorities

- » **Measure E:**
Special Safeguards for Suspected or
Accused Persons who are Vulnerable

- » **Measure F:**
A Green Paper on the Right to Review of
the Grounds for Pre-Trial Detention

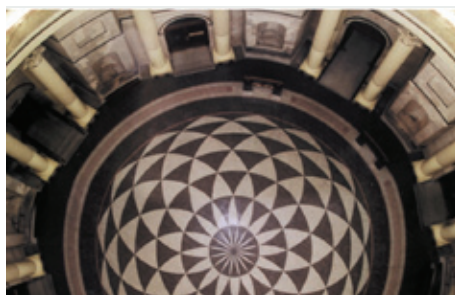
This work was progressed significantly in 2010 with the adoption of the Directive on the right to interpretation and to translation in criminal proceedings on 20 October 2010. Following on from that, on 20 July 2010, the European Commission published a proposal for a Directive on the right to information in criminal proceedings and work has progressed on this proposal throughout the Belgian Presidency (July to December 2010) and the Hungarian Presidency (January to July 2011). The ICCL has been working closely with partner organisations in Europe, such as JUSTICE, Fair Trials International, Amnesty International (European Institutions Office) and the Open Society Justice Initiative, to ensure that the new legislative measures are underpinned by human rights principles.

Protection of Victims' Rights

2010 was a relatively quiet period with regards to the development of legislation around the rights of crime victims within the EU. However, work was steadily progressing at policy level within the European Commission to develop a package of measures around victims' rights. The ICCL was happy to engage with European Commission policy makers and experts in this work and welcomed the announcement of a proposed Directive on minimum standards for all victims on 18 May 2011.

The ICCL was delighted to be awarded top spot in an open and competitive European Commission application process for core operational grants for criminal justice work. These funds will allow us to increase our work activities on the development of EU-wide legislation protecting the fundamental rights of victims of crime and defendants in 2011 and beyond. In doing so, we will continue to engage with our European counterparts in addition to European and national politicians and policy-makers. A special effort will be made to share information with other non-governmental organisations and legal practitioners about the potential impact in Ireland of the Stockholm Programme and other relevant developments at EU level.

Interior of the Four Courts, Dublin.



2010 saw a number of landmark developments for the Irish LGBT community and the ICCL continued to play a vocal and active role in advancing LGBT equality.

Dr Lydia Foy as Grand Marshall in the 2010 Dublin Pride Parade.
Picture courtesy of Gay Community News

Securing Equality

The ICCL aims to secure equality for all, especially vulnerable and marginalised groups.

SPEAKING OUT FOR LGBT RIGHTS

In July 2010, following years of tireless campaigning by LGBT activists with the support of organisations such as the ICCL, The Civil Partnership Bill (now called the Civil Partnership & Certain Rights & Obligations of Cohabitants Act) became law.

The Act's passage marked a red-letter day for same-sex couples and their supporters, offering a solid foundation for the recognition and protection of loving

same-sex relationships, and providing a range of important protections hitherto denied to them. The ICCL welcomed the smooth passage of the bill through the Oireachtas, and called on members of all parties to be praised for their support of this progressive and long-overdue piece of legislation.

Last summer also saw the Government finally drop its legal challenge to the High Court's 2007 declaration on the Lydia Foy case, which stated that current Irish law is incompatible with the European Convention on Human Rights due to



its failure to provide recognition to transgendered people. The decision to drop the challenge means that Dr Foy's long campaign for equal treatment has finally succeeded, and appropriate legislation can be prepared. The ICCL welcomed this development, which reverses the Government's unconscionable decision to launch an appeal to the Supreme Court and in so doing further delay the granting of rights to which Dr Foy was fully entitled under the European Convention on Human Rights. The ICCL has also made a submission to the Gender Recognition Advisory Group which is charged with drafting proposals to change the law.

These major developments remain only stepping stones to full equality for LGBT people. Legislation recognising the new gender of transgendered persons, and enabling them to obtain new birth certificates, has yet to be enacted.

Meanwhile, as the ICCL has consistently noted, the Civil Partnership Act, despite its welcome addition to the statute books, continues the unequal standing of same-sex couples in the eyes of the law.

The task of securing full equality for same sex couples and transgendered people is not complete.

The ICCL will remain a vocal supporter of the work of LGBT equality campaigners until these, and other inequalities become a thing of the past.

The GALAs

In 2010 the ICCL also publicly marked its commitment to LGBT rights activists through its involvement in the National Gay and Lesbian Federation (NLGF) GALA Awards.

The GALAs were set up in 2009 by the NLGF to honour lesbians, gay men, bisexuals and transgendered people and organisations for their contributions to Irish society, both north and south of the border. The awards are also to honour politicians, employers and other

people who are committed to advancing equality and social acceptance for LGBT people in Ireland. For the 2010 awards, the ICCL joined the expert nomination committee for a new award category—the 'International LGBT Activist of the Year' Award, which recognizes a person or organisation working outside Ireland for the betterment of LGBT rights.

The GALA award includes a modest bursary provided by the organisations in the nomination committee, which goes toward the furtherance of the Award recipient's work on LGBT issues in his/her home country. The ICCL has pledged its involvement in the committee for the next three years, along with Amnesty International and Frontline. Of the nominees, the NLGF committee chose Cameroonian LGBT activist Joel Nana as the bursary and award recipient at the GALAs' annual event in Dublin on 24 September 2010.

The GALA Nominees

The ICCL nominated María Rachid, President of Federación Argentina de Lesbianas, Gay, Bisexuales y Trans (FALGBT), and a major voice in the campaign for marriage equality in Argentina. The success of María Rachid and the Argentinian marriage equality campaign serves as an inspiration and a reminder to us that the Civil Partnership Act is only a step towards full equality for LGBT people in Ireland.

"Thank you to the ICCL for your time, enthusiasm, advice and support in bringing the International Award to life. We look forward to the impact this award will have on the work of the recipient and it will also generate a renewed awareness within the Irish LGBT community of the work of other LGBT people around the world."

NLGF GALAs Committee

Kieran Rose, Chair of GLEN, and Senator David Norris on the plinth outside Leinster House on 8 July 2010, following the passage of the Civil Partnership Bill by the Seanad.



María Rachid, President of FALGBT



MONITORING RACISM— OUR WORK FOR THE EU FUNDAMENTAL RIGHTS AGENCY'S 'RAXEN' RESEARCH NETWORK

Background

The current RAXEN National Focal Point (NFP) for Ireland is a consortium led by the Irish Council for Civil Liberties (ICCL) and including the Equality Studies Centre of the School of Social Justice in UCD and the Immigrant Council of Ireland (ICI). RAXEN is an information and research network consisting of organisations that act as focal points in all 27 EU Member States. The network was established by the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights (FRA) in 2000 to monitor incidents of racism, xenophobia, religious and other related intolerances across the EU.

Data collected and reported to the FRA typically includes:

- » Information concerning racist and related hate crime
- » Information on racist and related discrimination in the provision of employment, housing, education and health care
- » Exemplary cases of discrimination, restrictions of access or exclusion
- » Examples of positive initiatives and best practice in combating racial and related discrimination
- » Participation of minorities in public life
- » The work of national equality bodies in the collection of data on complaints of racial or ethnic discrimination
- » Important case law or legislation concerning racism and related intolerances.

During 2010 the RAXEN NFP conducted a series of thematic research projects for the FRA (see publications list overleaf).

In addition to its contractual work as RAXEN NFP, the ICCL completed an extensive national thematic study for FRALEX. The FRALEX research network is composed of legal experts in the field of human rights from each of the 27 EU Member States. The main objective of this study was to provide country-specific information on developments in the areas of the FRA's Multi-Annual Framework (MAF) in 2010. As well as monitoring issues relating to racism and xenophobia, other thematic areas of the MAF include discrimination against persons on specific grounds (gender, age, disability, etc); compensation of victims; the rights of the child; asylum and immigration; visa and border control; the information society; access to justice; and the participation of EU citizens in the Union's democratic functioning. The information provided in the report will also contribute to the FRA Annual Report 2010.

The raxen.ie homepage



Publications

The Asylum-Seeker Perspective

In April and May 2010, the consortium completed an extensive qualitative fieldwork exercise to inform two comparative reports on the experiences of asylum seekers. The reports, entitled *Access to Effective Remedies: The Asylum-seeker Perspective* and *The Duty to Inform Applicants about Asylum Procedures: The Asylum-seeker Perspective* were published in August 2010. In total, the FRA interviewed 877 asylum applicants of 65 different nationalities across the 27 EU Member States. They were asked about their experiences of the asylum procedure in their country of residence. The consortium interviewed 50 asylum-seekers from reception centres across Ireland.



Racist and Related Hate Crime

A comprehensive thematic study focusing primarily on official and unofficial data collection methods in Ireland, independent police complaints mechanisms, key court cases, media reporting and examples of good practice in relation to racist and related hate crimes (including xenophobia, anti-Semitism, Islamophobia and crimes against persons with a disability). This report will form part of a comparative report due to be published in 2011.

Thematic Study on Specific Fundamental Rights Issues in the Multi Annual Framework Areas / Complimentary Data Collection Report

Two reports were submitted to the FRA in October 2010 detailing information on specific themes under the FRA's Multi Annual Framework. The report for the FRALEX network provides an overview covering general information, best practice and specifically-requested information under each thematic MAF area for the previous 12 months. The RAXEN Complimentary Data Collection report outlines issues relating to Equality Bodies, Employment, Housing, Health Care, Education and Participation in Public Life. Information from both reports will be used to inform the forthcoming FRA Annual Report for 2010.

RAXEN Information Bulletins

Updates are provided to FRA three times per year on policy developments in relation to racism and xenophobia in each EU Member State. The bulletins also provide and update on legal developments and awareness-raising campaigns, notable research publications and official/unofficial statistical data.

A list of FRA publications in 2010 is available at www.raxen.ie

External Representation Fundamental Rights Platform

On 15–16 April 2010 the FRA welcomed around 150 representatives from non-governmental organisations dealing with human rights, trade unions, religious associations, employer associations, professional unions, academic and other qualified experts of European and international bodies and organisations to the Fundamental Rights Platform Meeting (FRP)—the Agency's key event of the year devoted to dialogue and cooperation with civil society. Stephen O'Hare of the Irish Council for Civil Liberties and Hilka Becker of the Immigrant Council of Ireland attended the meeting.

The meeting focussed on three themes:

- » The human rights dimension of poverty and social exclusion
- » The Lisbon Treaty and its implications for the protection of fundamental rights and
- » The Agency's Work Programme 2012.

During the meeting, the election of the new Advisory Panel was held and, amongst other topics, the future strategy of the cooperation between FRP and the FRA was discussed.

FRA Associates Forum

In 2010, as consortium leader for the RAXEN NFP, the ICCL also assumed the role of convening bi-annual meetings of the FRA Associates, a local Irish network of organisations with an interest in the work of the FRA.



The ICCL Human Rights Film Awards have become a firm fixture on the Irish film and human rights calendars.

Education and Outreach

Securing protection for disadvantaged and vulnerable groups by increasing human rights awareness.

THE 2010 ICCL HUMAN RIGHTS FILM AWARDS

Following the success of 2009's inaugural ICCL Human Rights Film Awards, in 2010 the ICCL once again challenged Irish filmmakers to cast a spotlight on human rights issues at home and abroad, culminating in a star-studded Gala Screening in Dublin's Light House Cinema on 17 June 2010.

The competition once again produced a shortlist of outstanding quality covering a range of themes, and cemented the Awards as a fixture in the Irish film and human rights calendars. Oscar-nominated Jury member Kirsten Sheridan awarded the Grand Prize to *Gaza: Post Operation Cast Lead*, directed by Dearbhla Glynn. For the Grand Prize, Dearbhla won a place in the prestigious Summer School in Human Rights, Cinema and Advocacy in the Huston School of Film & Digital Media and the Irish Centre for Human Rights in NUI Galway. The School aims to widen the horizons of professionals in the film, documentary, NGO and media sectors to reflect on the use of film and video advocacy as an instrument for enhancing human rights awareness on critical social, political and environmental issues, and to influence change.



2009 Grand Prize winner Vittoria Colonna, Jury Member Senator David Norris, 2010 Grand Prize Winner Dearbhla Glynn and Jury Member Victoria Smurfit

THE 2010 ICCL HUMAN RIGHTS FILM AWARDS SHORTLIST

Midnight With No Pain

Daniel Bevan (Director)

This independently-produced Irish drama by Daniel Bevan follows terminally-ill Arthur as he struggles for control over his final days with the help of his old friend Jack. The film explores the controversial debate surrounding the 'right to die', and the dilemma faced by many ill people and their loved ones as they struggle with the loss of dignity and independence as they approach the end of their life.

Tomato Soup

Paul O'Brien (Director)

This charming stop-motion animation by Paul O'Brien tells the tale of an elderly man who is banished from the family dinner table for being a sloppy eater. The film neatly deals with the prejudices that older people face on a daily basis, sometimes even from their loved ones. The film's message is loud and clear—we will all be old one day, and older people must be treated with the dignity, inclusion and respect they deserve.

"While making my animation 'Tomato Soup' I wanted it to be seen as more than just an animation. The plight of the elderly is a subject which I feel strongly about and I wanted to make a film that would make people think about the way they treat the older generation. The Human Rights Film Awards was a perfect stage to show my film and when it was screened on the awards night I really felt that it was the perfect situation for my film to be truly appreciated."

Paul O'Brien,
Director of *Tomato Soup*

Paul O'Brien, shortlisted director of *Tomato Soup* with Lorraine O'Donovan

Jury member Victoria Smurfit awarded third place prize to independent filmmaker Daniel Bevan for his drama *Midnight With No Pain*, while Senator David Norris awarded runner-up prize to documentary-maker Cara Holmes for *If You Like it Then You Should Be Able to Put a Ring on It*, which charts the highs and lows of the campaign for same-sex civil marriage.

The success of the 2010 Awards was the springboard for the expansion of the competition in 2011, with the inclusion of a young persons' category, and the development of educational materials on film and human rights based on some of the competition's winning films in 2009 and 2010.

Senator Norris with third place winner Daniel Bevan and Diana Jean



Gaza: Post Operation Cast Lead

Dearbhla Glynn (Director)

This short documentary by Dearbhla Glynn brings us to the Gaza Strip following Operation Cast Lead in late 2008/early 2009. It offers a personal insight into the day-to-day living conditions faced by the Gaza Strip's 1.5 million conflict-stricken inhabitants.

Out of Mind

Kate McCarroll (Director)

Out of Mind explores human rights issues surrounding mental health in Ireland. The film follows the experiences of Caroline Mary Murphy, who suffered mental illness and underwent Electro-Convulsive Therapy (ECT). While exploring the debate on the validity of ECT as a therapy, the film also gives us a glimpse of the human face of mental illness, and the struggle sufferers of mental illness face to have their voices heard.



If You Like it Then You Should Be Able to Put a Ring on It

Cara Holmes (Director)

If You Like it Then You Should Be Able to Put a Ring on It deals with the right to marriage equality. A brief introduction to the civil marriage campaign in Ireland, the film combines a compelling mix of archive footage, photography, animation and testimonies from same-sex couples. Showing the human face of the ongoing inequality faced by same-sex couples, the film educates the viewer on the key issues and points of debate surrounding civil marriage in Ireland.

“Film is the strongest tool to seduce people into changing their minds”

Vittoria Colonna,

Director of *My Identity*
& 2009 Grand Prize Winner



Victoria Smurfit presents Daniel Bevan with his third place prize



“I’d like to take this opportunity to congratulate the ICCL on the outstanding success of the Awards and to express my gratitude for the prizes I received. I was truly overwhelmed! It is clear that the Awards will continue to flourish and grow in the coming years. I look forward to seeing it do so.”

Daniel Bevan, Director of *Midnight With No Pain*

Dearbhla Glynn addresses the audience on receipt of the Grand Prize



Jury Member Kirsten Sheridan, 2009 Grand Prize winner Vittoria Colonna and model and internet sensation Sophie Merry

LOVEACTION IN 2010

Following on from its successful campaign weekend at the 2009 Electric Picnic festival, the LOVEACTION collective once again joined forces on Valentine's weekend in a series of awareness-raising activities calling for an end to homophobic bullying, the opening up of civil marriage, and the recognition in law of all loving families.

An official [Facebook](#) page was established, and LOVEACTION member organisations called on their fans and supporters to adopt the LOVEACTION love heart as their profile picture to indicate their support. This initiative proved a success, with the trademark love heart popping up all over Facebook and other social networking sites. The LOVEACTION [Facebook page](#) proved very popular, with over 1500 fans only two weeks after its creation. This will provide an invaluable base of support for future LOVEACTION activities.

The collective also organised the print and distribution of eye-catching LOVEACTION manifesto postcards which were distributed free at venues across Dublin, Cork and Galway over Valentine's weekend.

Meanwhile, in Dublin, LOVEACTION volunteers from Gay Community News (GCN), LGBT Noise and the ICCL brought the LOVEACTION message to nightclub-goers at SPY's Friday night 'War' event with an evening of face painting and awareness-raising entitled 'Make Love at War'. This outreach was extremely popular with club-goers, and proved a promising means of bringing the LGBT rights and Equality for all Families messages to a younger target audience.

The LOVEACTION collective is made up of the ICCL, Gay Community News (GCN), LGBT Noise, The National Gay and Lesbian Federation (NLGF), the Gay and Lesbian Equality Network (GLEN), BeLonGTo and MarriagEquality.

'Artist' Will St Leger with GCN's Lisa Connell at LOVEACTION's 'Make Love at War' event



Clubgoers sporting their LOVEACTION 'warpaint'



LOVEACTION

A CIVIL SOCIETY RESPONSE TO IRELAND'S UNIVERSAL PERIODIC REVIEW



Universal Periodic Review
REVIEWING HUMAN RIGHTS IN IRELAND
Your Rights. Right Now.

The Universal Periodic Review is a process through which the human rights records of the United Nations' 192 Member States are reviewed and assessed every four years. It is a new monitoring system of the UN Human Rights Council and it is the first time that UN states directly examine each other on their human rights record.

The UPR assesses how countries respect the commitments they made and agreements that they signed under international law and highlights any gaps in human rights protection in the country under review. The whole idea behind the UPR is that human rights protection will be improved on the ground. Following the review, recommendations are made to the country under review on how to improve their compliance with their

human rights obligations. The country under review has a duty to implement these recommendations in the four years before it comes up for review again. Both internal and external political pressure is placed on the government of that country to implement these recommendations.

Throughout 2010 the ICCL has been preparing for the launch of its flagship project for 2011 – a coordinated civil society response to Ireland's first Universal Periodic Review, scheduled for Geneva in October 2011.

This is the first time that Ireland will be examined under the UPR.

Operating under the campaign name *Your Rights. Right Now*, the ICCL is working with a coalition of 17 leading NGOs to ensure that the voice of civil society is heard during this process. Check out the *Your Rights. Right Now* website at www.rightsnow.ie for more information on the campaign.

Jessica Hamilton with her son Max, the ICCL's Deirdre Duffy, Hazel Larkin and Gerard Gallagher, Disability Rights Officer with the Union of Students in Ireland pictured at the launch of *Your Rights. Right Now*



The launch of the *Your Rights. Right Now* campaign took place at the Wood Quay Venue, Dublin Civic Offices, Wood Quay in January 2011



Representatives of the Integration Centre at the launch of *Your Rights. Right Now* in January 2011



Your Rights. Right Now website at www.rightsnow.ie



Organisational Development

SECURING A SUSTAINABLE FUTURE FOR HUMAN RIGHTS PROTECTION IN IRELAND

Our funding comes from a range of trusts and foundations, as well as a dedicated community of members, supporters and friends. The ICCL is working to build on this support and to ensure that human rights will remain protected in Ireland, long into the future. During 2010, the ICCL achieved a number of successes in terms of expanding its supporter community and securing funds to support the organisation's work.

The ICCL's 2nd Annual Human Rights Film Awards attracted support from the arts, film and media communities, as well as from a range of corporate sponsors. We would like to acknowledge with gratitude the individuals and organisations which support this project, as well as our Jury and Panel members and dedicated volunteers who made the Film Awards project possible.

The ICCL worked with a number of partners in the human rights community to collaborate to secure funding to deliver collective projects. For example, the ICCL and Public Interest Law Alliance jointly produced *Know Your Rights: The European Convention on Human Rights in Ireland*, the third publication in the Know Your Rights Series. The ICCL also worked with

the Irish Penal Reform Trust to seek out funding to research and publish a Shadow Report in relation to the UN Convention Against Torture, slated for 2011.

Later in the year, the ICCL held its third annual special event for legal practitioners, featuring keynote speaker Anthony Lester QC and this again provided opportunities for networking with colleagues, socialising and crucially, raising funds to support our work.

Also in 2010, the ICCL submitted a tender to the European Commission to provide funding to carry out its criminal justice work for 2011, which was awarded, a significant achievement for the ICCL as one of only 6 organisations in Europe selected for funding in this area for the coming year.

Our members, supporters and friends are crucial to developing a sustainable future for the ICCL, and we would like to extend our sincere thanks to you. The ICCL is particularly grateful to the Atlantic Philanthropies for its continued support of the ICCL and for its continued commitment to fostering a vibrant human rights culture in Ireland.

The ICCL staff at the 2010 ICCL Human Rights Film Awards



Sophie Magennis of UNHCR, Mark Kelly and ICCL Human Rights Film Awards Jury Member Kirsten Sheridan



Anthony Lester QC chats to former ICCL Executive Board member Michael Finucane at the ICCL's annual event for legal practitioners in November 2011



Michael Farrell and Jo Kenny of FLAC and PILA at the ICCL's annual event for legal practitioners in November 2011



Publications & Events

ICCL Publications 2010

JANUARY

- » *Know Your Rights: Criminal Justice and Garda Powers*

- » 'Rights watchdog to scrutinise privacy safeguards in DNA Database Bill', press release, 19 January 2010

- » 'New Rights Guide Charts Garda Powers', press release, 26 January 2010

- » 'Home Defence Proposals "Overstep the Mark" Oireachtas Committee Told', press release, 27 January 2010

- » ICCL Submission to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights, 27 January 2010

- » *ICCL Submission to the visiting delegation of the European Committee for the Prevention of Torture and other Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment*, 24 January 2010

Spread from *Know Your Rights: Criminal Justice & Garda Powers*



FEBRUARY

- » Kelly, M. 'Rights body ICCL is not a 'quango'', letter to the *Irish Independent*, 1 February 2010, p15

- » 'Government must 'Come Clean' on Torture Committee Observations', joint ICCL/ IPRT press release, 9 February 2010

- » 'Release Torture Probe Findings say Rights Groups', joint ICCL/IPRT press release, 10 February 2010

- » *ICCL Submission on the Criminal Procedure Bill 2009, as passed by Seanad Éireann*, 11 February 2010

- » 'Andrews Urged to Endorse Child Rights Proposals', press release, 16 February 2010

- » 'Joint NGO Appeal on the Reform of the European Court of Human Rights to the Interlaken Ministerial Conference', 18 February 2010

MARCH

- » 'Wheelock Report Prompts Calls to Release Torture Probe Findings', press release, 10 March 2010

APRIL

- » ICCL Rights News 13, 'Green Shoots for Human Rights?', Spring 2010

- » RAXEN Bulletin, 26 April 2010



The ICCL's website www.iccl.ie



Publications section on www.raxen.ie



MAY

- » *Know Your Rights: Protect Your Privacy*

- » 'ICCL marks Know Your Rights Month with Roadshow Event in Cork City', media advisory, 13 May 2010

- » *Speaking Out for Human Rights: ICCL Annual Report 2009*

- » Jayawardene, W. 'Know Your Rights Month', *Human Rights in Ireland Blog* www.humanrights.ie, 20 May 2010

- » 'Stars Launch Rights Films', press release, 27 May 2010

Solicitor Shane McCarthy and The Legal Aid Board's Deirdre Kissane at the Cork Know Your Rights Roadshow in May 2010



JUNE

- » 'Gaza Centre-Stage at Rights Film Awards', media advisory, 2 June 2010

- » 'ICCL reaction to Bishops' comments on Civil Partnership Bill', press release, 17 June 2010

- » 'Gaza Tops the Bill at Rights Film Awards', press release, 17 June 2010

- » 'Smurfit and Sheridan Name Winner at Human Rights Film Gala', press release, 17 June 2010

- » 'ICCL reacts to Government Decision to Drop Lydia Foy Appeal', press release, 21 June 2010

- » 'Experts call time on compulsory telecoms data retention', joint ICCL/ Digital Rights Ireland press release, 28 June 2010

- » 'Open letter to European Commissioner for Justice Viviane Reding calling for EU level legislative action on defence rights', co-signed by ICCL, Amnesty International, European Criminal Bar Association, JUSTICE, Open Society Institute, Open Society Justice Initiative, 29 June 2010

JULY

- » ICCL Rights News 14, 'Civil Partnership Act', Summer 2010

- » 'ICCL Hails 'Red Letter Day' For Same Sex Couples', press release, 2 July 2010

- » 'ICCL reacts to new Garda Committee and Home Defence Bill', press release, 19 July 2010

- » RAXEN Bulletin, 26 July 2010

A still from Dearbhla Glynn's award-winning *Gaza: Post Operation Cast Lead*



AUGUST

- » 'Time is Ripe to Boost Accountability of Judges says ICCL', press release, 23 August 2010

- » *Access to Effective Remedies: The Asylum-seeker Perspective*, RAXEN NFP research for the Fundamental Rights Agency

- » *The Duty to Inform Applicants about Asylum Procedures: The Asylum-seeker Perspective*, RAXEN NFP research for the Fundamental Rights Agency

SEPTEMBER

- » *ICCL Submission to the Gender Recognition Advisory Group*, 30 September 2010

- » *Thematic Study on Racist and Related Hate Crimes in Ireland*, RAXEN NFP research for the Fundamental Rights Agency, 1 September 2010. Forthcoming as part of a comparative FRA report due to be published in 2011



OCTOBER

- » Duffy, D., *Reflections on the engagement of victims and witnesses with the criminal justice system: a human rights approach*, Victim Support Scotland International Conference: To Report or Not Report, Edinburgh, 5–7 October 2010

- » Glynn, D., Winner of the 2010 ICCL Human Rights Film Awards. 'Outside there was machine gun fire', profile of her winning film on Gaza in the *Irish Daily Mail*, 14 October 2010, pp40–41

- » 'Home Defence Proposals Skate on Thin Ice says Rights Watchdog', press release, 20 October 2010

- » RAXEN Bulletin, 25 October 2010

- » *ICCL Submission on the human rights compliance of the Criminal Justice (Defence and the Dwelling) Bill 2010*, 26 October 2010

- » ICCL Rights News 15, '30th Dáil Resumes', Autumn 2010

- » *Thematic Study on Specific Fundamental Rights Issues in the Multi-Annual Framework Areas*, research conducted by the RAXEN NFP for the FRALEX network

- » *Complimentary Data Collection Report*, RAXEN NFP research for the Fundamental Rights Agency's 2010 Annual Report

NOVEMBER

- » *Know Your Rights: The European Convention on Human Rights in Ireland*

- » 'Republic's Rights Protection Lags Behind North Says Peer', joint ICCL/PILA press release, 24 November 2010

DECEMBER

- » ICCL Rights News 16, Winter 2010/2011

- » 'Curtain Rises on 2011 Human Rights Film Awards', press release, 9 December 2010

- » 'Europe's Top Court To Rule on Irish Abortion Ban', press release, 9 December 2010

- » 'ICCL Brings Know Your Rights Campaign to Dundalk', media advisory, 13 December 2010

- » 'Abortion Rules in Ireland Disrespect the Constitution says Europe's Top Court', press release, 16 December 2010

Attendees at the Dundalk Know Your Rights Roadshow



ICCL Events, Speeches and Presentations 2010

- » Launch of *Know Your Rights: Criminal Justice and Garda Powers*, Garrett Sheehan & Partners Head Office, 26 January 2010

- » ICCL briefing to the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Justice, Equality, Defence and Women's Rights, 27 January 2010

- » LOVEACTION at 'War', Spy Nightclub, Dublin, 14 February 2010

- » ICCL collaboration with the National Centre for Technology in Education (NCTE) at the Safer Internet Ireland Youth Advisory Panel Launch, Department of Education, Dublin, 9 February 2010

- » ICCL attendance at European Commission Meeting of Experts—Support to victims and their rights, Brussels, 19 & 20 February 2010

The Launch of the Safer Internet Ireland Youth Advisory Panel, 9 February 2010. Pictured: Panel members Niamh Carey and Kate O'Regan of Christ the King College, Cork, with then Minister for Education Batt O'Keeffe, TD.



- » ICCL attendance at the Third Annual Fundamental Rights Platform Meeting, Vienna, 15–16 April 2010

- » Feature on the ICCL *Know Your Rights: Protect Your Privacy* booklet with Gary Davis, Assistant Data Protection Commissioner and TJ McIntyre of Digital Rights Ireland, *Today With Pat Kenny*, RTÉ Radio 1, 10 May 2010

- » ICCL attendance at International Service for Human Rights' Geneva-based training course on UPR and the Treaty Monitoring Bodies, Geneva, 2–14 May 2010

- » ICCL Know Your Rights Roadshow with guests Shane McCarthy (Solicitor) and Deirdre Kissane (Legal Aid Board), Community and Social Enterprise Centre, Cork City, 19 May 2010

- » Feature on the ICCL *Know Your Rights: Criminal Justice and Garda Powers*

The Know Your Rights campaign featured on Radio 1's Today With Pat Kenny Show



- » booklet with Peter Mullan of Garrett Sheehan & Partners Solicitors and Úna Ní Raifeartaigh BL, *Today With Pat Kenny*, RTÉ Radio 1, 24 May 2010

- » Feature on the ICCL *Know Your Rights: The European Convention on Human Rights in Ireland* booklet with Solicitor and former ICCL Executive Board Member Michael Finucane, *Today With Pat Kenny*, RTÉ Radio 1, 31 May 2010

- » 2010 ICCL Human Rights Film Awards Gala Screening, Light House Cinema, Dublin, 17 June 2010

- » ICCL attendance at the United Nations Office of the High Commissioner for Human Rights (Europe Regional Office), Regional Workshop on the Universal Periodic Review (UPR), Ljubljana, 6 & 7 September 2010

- » The 2010 GALAs—the Second Annual NLGF Irish LGBT Awards, Radisson Blu Hotel, Dublin, 24 September 2010

- » ICCL attendance at European Commission Experts' Meeting on Procedural Rights: Access to a Lawyer (Measure C1 of the Roadmap) and Communication while in detention (Measure D), Brussels, 11 & 12 October 2010

- » Opening meeting of the Universal Periodic Review Civil Society Project's Cross-Sectoral Steering Group, Macro Centre, North King Street, Dublin 7, 26 October 2010

- » Launch of the ICCL-sponsored *Equality Magazine*, Wisdom Centre, Dublin, 4 November 2010

- » Launch by Anthony Lester QC of *Know Your Rights: The European Convention on Human Rights in Ireland* in association with the Public Interest Law Alliance (PILA), Buswell's Hotel, Dublin, 24 November 2010

- » Third Annual ICCL Dinner for Legal Professionals. Speech by Guest of Honour Anthony Lester QC entitled 'Taking Human Rights Seriously as a Lawyer', Fallon and Byrne, Dublin, 24 November 2010

Anthony Lester QC & Mark Kelly at the launch of *Know Your Rights: The European Convention on Human Rights in Ireland*



ICCL External Representation 2010

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| » Department of Foreign Affairs
NGO Joint Standing Committee on
Human Rights | » Women's Human Rights Alliance in
relation to the preparation of a Shadow
Report on the right to health under the
International Covenant on Economic,
Social and Cultural Rights from a
gender perspective |
| » Equality Authority Community and
Voluntary Group and Equality Authority
Stereotyping Working Group | » EU Fundamental Rights Agency (FRA)
Fundamental Rights Platform, and
'RAXEN' National Focal Point (NFP) |
| » Fair Trials International Legal
Advisory Panel | » FRA Associates Forum |
| » Advisory Council of the Public Interest
Law Alliance | » NLGF GALAs 'International LGBT
Activist Award' Nomination Committee |
| » Garda Strategic Human Rights
Advisory Committee | » UPR Cross Sectoral Steering Group |
| » International Network of Civil
Liberties Organisations | |
| » International Federation for Human
Rights (FIDH) | |
| » Legacy Promotion Ireland | |
| » Fundraising Ireland | |

Our Finances

The ICCL consists of two organisations—the ICCL Association and ICCL Ltd., a company limited by guarantee. All of our day-to-day activities are managed by ICCL Ltd., including promotional and awareness-raising initiatives, research and policy activities, fundraising campaigns, staff costs and general overhead expenditure.

The ICCL Association is a membership organisation. The ICCL Association's financial statements reflect all income generated through membership fees and additional donations made by members.

The ICCL receives income from individual members, supporters and a small number of foundations and trusts in order to carry out the work of the organisation. The ICCL expends its income on research, campaigning and promotional costs across the four main "pillars" of the organisation's work (monitoring human rights, promoting justice, securing equality and organisational development).

Information is provided to all donors, including individuals, trusts and foundations, on a regular basis regarding developments, activities and programmes to ensure that the ICCL operates in a manner that is transparent and accountable. The ICCL complies with all legal and regulatory requirements, in line with best practice for NGOs.

The ICCL financial statements for 2010 have been audited by Squires & Co. Chartered Accountants & Registered Auditors, 32 Merrion Street, Dublin 2.

Our Finances

Irish Council for Civil Liberties Association Income & Expenditure For the year ended 31 December 2010

Income	€ 2010	€ 2009
Grants	--	--
Membership	6,951	8,777
Donations	150	45
Other Income	0	0
	7,101	8,822
Special Funds	0	0
Total income	7,101	8,822
Expenditure on Activities of Strategic Plan		
Capacity Building	10	11
Research & Policy Development	0	0
Campaigning & Communications	0	0
Lobbying & Advocacy	0	6,488
Networking	0	0
Fundraising	0	0
Total Expenditure	10	6,499
Surplus of Income Over Expenditure	7,091	2,324

Irish Council for Civil Liberties Association

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2010

	€	2010	€	2010	€	2009	€	2009
Fixed Assets								
Current Assets								
Prepayments								
Bank & Cash		34,080				26,988		
				34,080				26,988
Current Liabilities								
Trade Creditors		0				0		
Accruals				0				0
Net Assets				34,080				26,988
Cash Carry Forward				26,988				24,664
Surplus of income over expenditure				7,092				2,324
				34,080				26,988

Our Finances

Irish Council for Civil Liberties Limited Income & Expenditure For the year ended 31 December 2010

Income	€ 2010	€ 2009
Total Income	768,793	824,763
Expenditure		
Costs of Campaigns, Publications, Awareness & Fundraising Activities	(559,766)	(592,483)
Support Costs (Governance, administration & capacity building costs)	(205,558)	(228,919)
Total Expenditure	(765,324)	(821,402)
Bank Interest	0	0
Surplus (Deficit) before Taxation	3,469	3,361
Tax on Surplus	0	0
Retained Surplus brought forward	21,321	17,960
Retained Surplus at the end of the year	24,790	21,321

The company had no recognised gains or losses in the financial period other than the surplus/(deficit) for the above two financial years. The above figures are taken from the ICCL Ltd., audited financial statements for the year end (31 December) 2010.

Irish Council for Civil Liberties Limited

Balance Sheet

As at 31 December 2010

	€	2010	€	2010	€	2009	€	2009
Fixed Assets								
Computer Equipment			3,509				8,215	
Furniture & Fixtures			21,239				6,958	
			24,748				15,173	
Current Assets								
Debtors		21,036				50,179*		
Cash at Bank & in hand		83,634				41,815		
		104,670				91,994		
Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year								
Net Current Assets/Liabilities		(104,628)				(85,846)		
			42				6,148	
Total Assets Less Current Liabilities			24,790				21,321	
Reserves								
Retained Surplus			24,790				21,321	

The above figures are taken from the ICCL Ltd., audited financial statements for the year end (31 December) 2010.

*Increase due to RAXEN funds €41,701 due from the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights, funds received in January 2010.

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