



## EUROPEAN UNION – JAMAICA PROJECT SHEET

<b>Project Title</b>	<b>EUROPEAN INSTRUMENT FOR DEMOCRACY &amp; HUMAN RIGHTS (EIDHR) COUNTRY BASED SUPPORT SCHEME: DEEPENING EDUCATION, ADVOCACY &amp; LEGAL SUPPORT-EMPOWERING FOR DEFENCE OF HUMAN RIGHTS</b>
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<b>Sector</b>		<b>Budget (J \$)</b>	Total project cost: J \$ EU contribution : J \$
<b>Location</b>	Jamaica	<b>Budget (€equiv.)</b>	Total project cost: <b>€14,214.</b> EU contribution : <b>€98,504.</b>
<b>Start Date (Est.)</b>	January 2011	<b>End date (Est.)</b>	June 2012

<b>Implemented by</b>	Jamaicans for Justice
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<b>Objective</b>	The <b>overall objective</b> of this project is to contribute to the strengthening of the capacity of Jamaica's Justice system and Civil Society to promote and provide accountability to the citizens of Jamaica.
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<b>Description</b>
<p>Building on the work of the previous project funded in 2009, the project will support specific activities of civil society organisations in the promotion of human rights. Furthermore, project activities will also be geared towards prison reform, promoting alternatives to the death penalty and the protection of the rights of juveniles and children in places of safety.</p> <p>In this regard, the rehabilitation programme in the Tower Street General Penitentiary will offer inmates an alternative to a life of crime after they return to their communities. They will be equipped with marketable skills to improve their chances of finding jobs upon release. Human Rights training will also be provided to prison wardens. Research will be conducted on the situation of children in the care of the state. This will be used to inform advocacy activities aimed at improved protection of the rights of children in places of safety and juvenile detention facilities. Monitoring of cases and legal representation aimed at promoting the need for an end to the <i>de facto</i> death penalty will also be undertaken under this project.</p> <p>Target groups include: (1) community members (2) the correctional services (3) the police training academy (4) select society leaders.</p>

<b>Results</b>
Project implementation began in January 2011 and is on-going. Major successes include: Enhanced engagement with societal leaders through stakeholder meetings and participation in the Jamaica Civil Society Coalition and PSOJ Committees; being invited to sit as a representative for Human Rights on the Partnership for Transformation Council, the grant of permission by the Court for the pursuit of a judicial review of the decision of the Police Services Commission to promote a policeman who has multiple allegations against him for abuse of authority and extrajudicial killing and successful lobby efforts at the United Nations Rights Committee which has seen the issuing of a very strong report on Jamaica's Human Rights situation.

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