Hate-motivated incidents are often violent manifestations of intolerance which instil fear and divide communities. Tackling underlying prejudice is essential in combating the spread of these divisive actions. The OSCE Mission to BiH supports the work of government institutions, the criminal justice system, local authorities and civil society to effectively respond to these incidents. The Hate Monitor provides a monthly update on incidents and responses throughout BiH.

HATE INCIDENTS

HATE-MOTIVATED INCIDENTS THIS MONTH 14

TYPES OF INCIDENTS

- 2 Physical violence
- 0 Property damage
- 4 Offensive graffiti
- 1 Damage to religious facilities / Desecration of graveyards
- 5 Verbal assault
- 2 Displaying symbols
- 3 Insulting phone, Internet and sms messages
- 0 Other

Incidents can consist of several acts. A single incident may be reported under multiple categories.

VICTIM CHARACTERISTICS:

- 64.29 % ethnicity
- 14.29 % other
- 21.43 % sexual orientation

HATE-MOTIVATED INCIDENTS SINCE JANUARY 2019: 48

INCI DENTS / RESPONSES THIS MONTH

- Banja Luka 1/0
- Bihać 1/0
- Bos Graho 1/0
- Kiseljak 1/0
- Milčić 1/0
- Novo Sarajevo 2/0
- Zenica 1/0
- Konjic 2/0
- Vlaisenica 3/0
- Centar Sarajevo 2/0
- Novi Grad Saraj. 1/0
- Vlasenica 3/0

RESPONSES

RESPONSES TO HATE INCIDENTS THIS MONTH 0

TYPES OF RESPONSES

- Public condemnation by officials
- Public condemnation by religious leaders
- Public condemnation by civil society
- Repairing damaged property/Graffiti removal/Cleanup action
- Peaceful gathering / March
- Other

PREVENTION

- 1 Local activities against hate
- 11 Local strategies to prevent hate to date

SINCE JANUARY 2019:

- 5 responses
- 4 hate incidents with at least one response

HATE CRIME CASES

- Trials Ongoing
- Convictions in 2019
- Acquittals in 2019

Highlighted

In April, the Municipality of Zavidovići and the Coalition against Hate "Kultura mira" marked International Roma Day by promoting Roma culture and tradition. Members of the local Roma community, municipal representatives as well as citizens organised a march through Zavidovići. The event also included an award ceremony marking school attendance for Roma pupils, and a theatre play about Roma life in BiH.