

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS – LEGAL TRANSLATORS

Join us as a Legal Translator and help advance prisoners' rights across Europe!

Source language >> English

Target languages >> Bulgarian, Czech, Dutch, French, German, Greek, Hungarian, Italian, Lithuanian, Polish, Portuguese, Romanian, Russian, Spanish, Ukrainian

The European Prison Litigation Network (EPLN) is a coalition of legal practitioners, researchers, former prisoners, and civil society activists working to strengthen judicial protection for detainees across Europe through strategic litigation, advocacy, and research. The network brings together around 30 NGOs and bar associations from 20 countries and collaborates with six European universities.

We publish monthly advocacy and legal resources for NGOs, lawyers and academics involved in researching or defending human rights in prisons. To ensure that these resources are accessible to a wider circle of professionals at national level, we translate these resources into 15+ languages (see here and here). These resources are accessed by over 25,000 individuals in 20 European countries, including prominent organisations working in the field.

What You'll Do

- Translate legal resources (around 20,000 characters per quarter) prepared by EPLN to support legal practitioners and researchers.
- Ensure accurate and accessible translations, helping to disseminate key legal developments to a wide audience.
- Coordinate with a dedicated team committed to strengthening prisoners' legal protections.

What We Offer

- Improve your legal translation skills, including knowledge of international and national human rights law terminology, through short but regular assignments that fit easily into your calendar.
- Enjoy a flexible and predictable schedule, with assignments that allow you to plan your work around other commitments.
- Engage with a wide network of more than 30 NGOs, among the most prominent human rights NGOs in Europe and contribute to enhancing human rights and democratic values on the continent.
- Upon interest, participate in online and in-person events (seminars, conferences) of the network.

This is a **voluntary** role, but your work will make a tangible impact. If you have experience in translation (preferably with legal terminology) and are passionate about human rights, we would love to hear from you!

Interested? >> Get in touch with us at volunteer@prisonligitation.org to learn more!