

Updates about Activities of Georgian Public Defender's Office

- On September 5-6, 2022, [a meeting of heads of national human rights institutions from the OSCE region was held in Warsaw](#), where the issues of resilience and strengthening of national human rights institutions were discussed. The organizers of the event invited the Public Defender of Georgia to talk about her personal experience regarding the challenges faced by the institution and the ways of addressing the challenges.



- On September 12, 2022, [Nino Lomjaria, Public Defender of Georgia, met with John Pennell, USAID/Caucasus Mission Director](#). At the introductory meeting, Nino Lomjaria spoke about the human rights situation in the country and reviewed the activities of the Public Defender's Office. The implementation of the 12 recommendations of the European Commission within the framework of the perspective of joining the European Union was also discussed at the meeting.

- [Public Defender's Statement](#) on Restriction of Journalist's Professional Activities.

- On September 28, 2022, [the Public Defender of Georgia, Nino Lomjaria, and the Chief Ombudsman of Turkey, Şeref Malkoç, held a bilateral meeting](#), during which they emphasized the need to continue the long-term cooperation between the offices of the ombudsmen of Georgia and Turkey. The parties talked about the ongoing projects and planned activities of their institutions, as well as the issues of joint cooperation in terms of protecting the human rights of Georgians living in Turkey and Turkish citizens living in Georgia.



- On September 29, 2022, [the Public Defender of Georgia received a reply letter from Frédéric Bernard, Head of the Cabinet of the President of the European Council, Charles Michel](#).



- On September 29, 2022, [Public Defender of Georgia, met with Pawel Herczynski, the newly appointed Ambassador of the European Union to Georgia.](#) At the introductory meeting, Nino Lomjaria informed the Ambassador about the current situation of human rights and freedoms in Georgia, the priorities of the Public Defender's Office and the challenges faced by human rights institutions.

- On September 27, 2022, [the Public Defender's Office of Georgia, together with the Association of Mediterranean Ombudsmen \(AOM\), hosted an international conference on the above issues and protection of the rights of older persons.](#) The theme of the international conference was "The Rights of Older Persons and the Role of Ombudsman and Mediator Institutions". The mission of the Association of Mediterranean Ombudsmen is to promote and protect fundamental rights in the Mediterranean countries.

