The International Commission of Jurists — European Institutions (ICJ-EI) and Forum for Human Rights (Forum) invite you to an event exploring the right of the child to individual assessment, as embedded in Article 7 Directive 2016/800. During the event ICJ-EI and Forum will present their Recommendations on the main principles governing the individual assessment of children in conflict with the law, and a child-friendly version accompanied by a video and a poster, created for the target countries of the project: Slovakia and the Czech Republic, transmittable to other EU countries national systems.

The PRACTICE project (2020-2021) focused on the right of the child in conflict with the law to individual assessment, recently made part of the EU law in Article 7 of the Directive 2016/800 on procedural safeguards for children who are suspects or accused persons in criminal proceedings. The Recommendations published at this event highlight that the individual assessment as a human right of the child should ensure a real and effective participation of the child on the individual assessment elaboration. The Recommendations look at the purpose of the individual assessment to primarily make sure that the proceedings are child-friendly and tailored to the individual needs of each child, and set out the main principles for practitioners related to work with information and information sharing, ensuring children have their procedural rights respected, such as having access to the assessment and being able to comment on it, having access to legal assistance and legal aid, access to information and to effective remedy.

AGENDA

14.00 Welcome and introduction
Róisín Pillay, Director ICJ-EI

14.05 Presentation of the PRACTICE project, child-friendly version and the video
Karolina Babická, Legal adviser, ICJ-EI
Anna Sležková, Senior lawyer, Forum for Human Rights

14.15 Presentation of the Recommendations on principles of individual assessment
Anna Sležková, Senior lawyer, Forum for Human Rights
Karolina Babická, Legal adviser, ICJ-EI

14.30 Discussion / Expert roundtable

15.40 Final comments and conclusions
Róisín Pillay, Director ICJ-EI