Dear Paul,

On 8 November 2013, the FRA will present the first comparable figures on Jewish people’s experiences of antisemitic harassment, discrimination and hate crime in the EU. Please find attached embargoed advance information. Please note, the embargo is Friday 8 November 2013, 10h30 CET.

The report covers responses from 5,847 Jewish people in the eight countries in which some 90% of the estimated Jewish population in the EU live (Belgium, France, Germany, Hungary, Italy, Latvia, Sweden, and the UK). The findings will be complemented by FRA’s annual “Antisemitism Overview”, which brings together statistical data on antisemitic incidents collected by governmental and non-governmental sources.

Key findings:

- 66% of respondents consider antisemitism to be a major problem in their countries, while 76% said the situation had become more acute over the last five years.
- 21% of all respondents have experienced an antisemitic incident or incidents involving verbal insult, harassment or a physical attack in the 12 months preceding the survey. 2% of respondents had been victims of an antisemitic physical attack over the previous year.
- Under-reporting: 76% of victims of antisemitic harassment did not report the most serious incident to the police or any other organisation.
- Under-recording: limited data-collection mechanisms in many EU Member States mean that antisemitic attacks remain under-recorded.
- Three-quarters of respondents consider online antisemitism to be a problem.

The report contains concrete suggestions on how to develop targeted legal and policy measures, and aims to be a vital tool for EU decision makers and community groups.

The press conference on 8 November at 10h30 will be streamed live on our website: www.fra.europa.eu. FRA will also again make available a “data explorer” where results for each question and each country can be seen. The data will be downloadable in various formats.

We hope that you will find the information, analysis and activities captured in these reports interesting and of use to you in your work. Should you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards,

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