Human Rights Praxis Project Report by Sina Pavić

Abstract:

As part of my Human Rights Praxis Project I designed and conducted a workshop that enhances the skills of professionals in Germany's social welfare system to address child endangerment. Centered on §8a SGB VIII and the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, the workshop blends legal training with a human rights perspective. Through interactive methods such as scenario simulations and role-playing, participants—including social workers, psychologists, and teachers—develop practical skills to assess and manage cases of abuse and neglect. The workshop also emphasizes cultural competence, ethical responsibility, and professional resilience, providing strategies for self-care and stress management to help participants handle the emotional challenges of child protection work.

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