



**The Director**

Strasbourg, 8 December 2014

Dear Mr Yahorau,

The Council of Europe Secretariat received your letter of request to support Ms Elena Tonkacheva, Head of the Education Agency "Legal Transformation Center" (Lawtrend), and we thank you for drawing our attention to her situation.

I would like to inform you that although Belarus is not a member State of the Council of Europe, we follow closely the developments in the case of Ms Tonkacheva, and this issue will be raised when possible in meetings with the Belarusian authorities.

Moreover, we have transmitted the information you provided to the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe and to its Rapporteur on Belarus, Mr Andrea Rigoni.

Alexandre Guessel

Mr Andrei Yahorau  
Head of the Coordination Committee of the Belarusian National Platform of the EaP CSF