

About IWB

IWB was founded in late 2013 and is registered in Romania as a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO). The original idea was to create a blog for young professionals from all over the world to give them a platform where they could share ideas and opinions on the issues that mattered to them. More often than not, these were tackling injustices in current affairs, and our movement soon outgrew its original design to establish itself a human rights organisation, determined to give a stage to those defending the rights of themselves and others.

As an advocate of human rights and legal equality for all, the mission of IWB is to offer an online platform that empowers and encourages its members to take on personal and societal injustices and supports them in their actions.

For those in need of more information, insight or confidence to take action, IWB offers an online information portal and network that supports its users to participate as active citizens. IWB aims to provide serious and crosscutting information, based on the knowledge and experience of its users. In order to achieve this, users are encouraged to produce their own research and bring original solutions to issues around the world.

IWB's vision is a world where democracy is sustained through civil action and the freedom to challenge the status quo. We believe that independent, individual and inventive thinking is indispensable for any society to be free from inequality and human rights violations.

IWB constantly strives to break down traditional frames and constraints by encouraging its users to directly contribute, share and discuss their knowledge, experiences and insights. The organisation's goal is to make meaningful contribution to forming a societal mind-set which is independent, open minded, generous and has the courage to question its beliefs. The organisation works towards this vision on the basis of our *four core values*:

- independence and freedom in thought and action,

- respect for diversity of cultures and different points of view,
- a fair and objective attitude towards all issues, and
- promoting real and effective action in our societies.

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