



**Report of IFSW Europe Regional Representative/Commissioner**  
**For Delegates Meeting in Oslo, 2025**

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| <b>Your name</b>   | Enric Torras  |
| <b>Your association</b>  | OBDS – Österreichischer Berufsverband der Sozialen Arbeit   |
| <b>Commission, institution or network where you represent IFSW Europe</b>                            | FRA – European Agency for Fundamental Rights  |
| <b>Date of report</b>  | 22.09.2025  |
| <b>When did you start being the representative?</b>  | May 2023  |
| <b>Do you have a support person/group?</b>   | No  |
| <b>Do you wish to continue for the year 2025/26?</b>   | Yes   |
| <b>If you wish to continue, do you need a new support person/group?</b>                              | I don't know yet  |
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| <b>Please list the main events and meetings you attended between October 2024 and September 2025</b> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• September 2024 – September 2025: Joint support from FRA and IFSW Europe in Social Work Bachelor theses at the UAS St. Pölten (Austria)</li> <li>• Updates and sharing of information and reports</li> <li>• The cooperation, as we wxperienced before, is again not dynamic / fluent.</li> </ul> |



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| <p><b>Please describe other work you undertook in your role (e.g. policy work, writing, contributing to webinars etc)</b></p>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Information exchange</li> <li>• Advocacy</li> <li>• Currently planning IFSW Europe's participation (leading a work group, holding a thematic panel / keynotes section, etc.) at the European Fundamental Rights Forum in 2027.</li> </ul> |
| <p><b>What have been your main achievements in this role in the last year?</b></p> <p>The main goals are still to refresh, dynamize, and solidify the contact and cooperation with the Agency, aiming to build reliability and reaffirm the value of IFSW Europe – and the profession we represent – as a key partner.</p> <p>Although we managed to increase the frequency of our contacts, they are currently again one-directional and not fluid/dynamic. Yet the relationship and work philosophy still seem stable and strong in the instances in which they could be evaluated.</p> <p>In a nutshell, there are still some communication issues (formal/administrative), most of which have been addressed in the past but seem to persist. Although it seemed to improve, it is still necessary to keep working on some formal issues such as updating contact data, clarifying interlocutors, ...</p> <p>An IFSW Europe – FRA joint review of the cooperation might help clarify its optimal operation and address current issues.</p> |  |
| <p><b>What themes and opportunities should the IFSW Europe representative to this institution, commission or network focus on during the next year?</b></p>  |  |



As mentioned:

- Continue efforts to refresh, dynamize, and solidify the contact and cooperation with the Agency
- Plan and project the participation at the European Fundamental Rights Forum '27
- Possibly conduct a Joint review of the cooperation

**If you wish to continue in your role, please list your personal objectives/aims for the next year.**

Not much has changed since last year. In addition to continuing work on the existing issues, future steps in the cooperation aim to further strengthen the relationship with FRA and consolidate IFSW Europe as a valuable partner representing social work as a human rights profession.

**Any other information you wish to share**

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