



Annex 2: Terms of Reference

Country Context

- State structure and governance
- Key political developments, including the 2020 protests
- **Legal framework and state practices affecting civic space**
- Human rights situation
- Legal context
- Politically motivated prosecutions
- Extremism and terrorism charges and relevant official lists
- **Law enforcement and system of justice**
- Structure and practices of the security apparatus
- State surveillance, including of persons abroad
- Treatment of individuals returning to Belarus, including border measures
- Court system and prosecution
- Fair trial guarantees
- Trials *in absentia*

- Detention conditions and treatment of political prisoners
- **Treatment of certain profiles and groups of the population**
- Political opposition and people expressing dissent
- Protesters
- Journalists and media workers
- Human rights defenders and lawyers
- Former political prisoners
- Family members of (perceived) government critics