

Human Rights Lens

2019-2020

About the project

Schoolchildren in Russia, Finland, Sweden and Norway were challenged to reflect on their everyday reality from a human rights perspective. By taking pictures of their surroundings, they shared views on human rights issues and reflected on the local situation.

Geographical area

Eight regions of the Northwest Russia (Arkhangelsk, Kaliningrad, Murmansk, Petrozavodsk, Pskov, Veliky Novgorod, St. Petersburg, Leningrad oblastj); Finland (Espoo); Sweden (Stockholm); and Norway (Oslo).



Photo on women's rights, St Petersburg, Russia.

Partners

- Institute of Law n.a. Prince Oldenburgsky in St. Petersburg.
- School Projects Initiative in St. Petersburg.
- Swedish International Liberal Centre in Stockholm.
- Karakallio School in Espoo.
- Menneskerettighetsakademiet in Oslo.

Project Result

+ **450 schoolchildren** have learnt about the international human rights, photography and produced photos and photo series on the human rights situation in their local communities. Among the topics they chose to highlight were:



Domestic violence and women's rights.



Right to life and ecology.



Social discrimination, bullying and mental health of youth.



Anti-corruption and freedom of expression.



Photo on right to life, Tosno, Leningrad oblastj, Russia.



Photo on freedom of speech, St Petersburg, Russia.

"It is a delight to see how eager the kids are to run around and take pictures of the place they live."

Educator from Pskov, Russia.

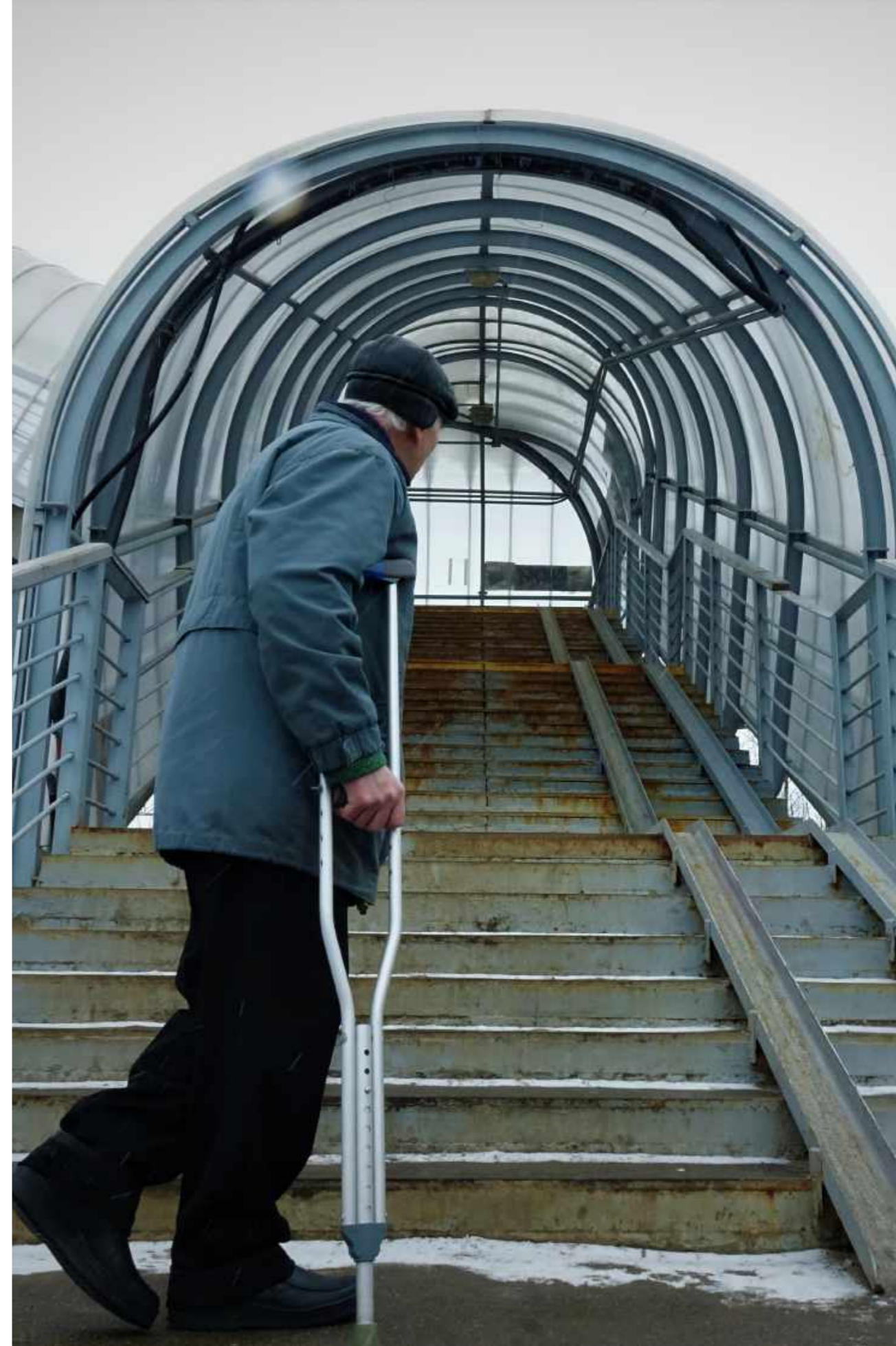


Photo on universal design, Tosno, Leningrad oblastj, Russia.



Photo on bullying, Veliky Novgorod, Russia.



Photo "Say no to corruption", Vyborg, Russia.



Photo on freedom of speech, St Petersburg, Russia.



“The world today is too much focused on beauty standards and discussions of appearance. This can destroys appreciation of personality.”

Schoolchildren authors of the photo “Labeling people”, Kaliningrad, Russia.



Photo on freedom of religion, Espoo, Finland.



Photo on adequate standard of living, Petrozavodsk, Russia.



Photo "Belonging", Oslo, Norway.



Photo on right to life, Veliky Novgorod, Russia.

Часто травля (в том числе
и кибербуллинг)
может довести до суицида.

*“Where, after all, do universal human rights begin?
In small places, close to home- so close and so small that
they cannot be seen on any maps of the world...”*

Eleanor Roosevelt

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