



**FACING
FACTS
NETWORK**

HATE SPEECH MAPPING

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INTRODUCTION AND OVERVIEW



**CONTEXT &
METHODOLOGY**

**INTERNATIONAL
FRAMEWORK**

KEY FINDINGS

DISCUSSION

METHODOLOGY

7 RESEARCH QUESTIONS WITH THESE AIMS



- Map current research, resources and activities on hate speech;
- Identify gaps and opportunities for the benefit of the Network members and activities;
- Identify questions for further research;
- Inform the discussion on and development of the next outputs to cater to the needs of Network members;
- Serve as a collection of practices and resources for the reference and use of the Network members.

METHODOLOGY



SCOPE:

- Mainly CSO-focused
- Basis for future work and further exploration from Network perspective
- **Not** a full review of hate speech activities and gaps!

TASKS:

- 7 research questions
- Desk research, questionnaires, interviews
- August-October 2022
 - 12 Interviews
 - 8 Questionnaires

INTERNATIONAL FRAMEWORK

LEGAL AND 'SOFT' STANDARDS



INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION ON THE ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION (ICERD):

INTERNATIONAL COVENANT ON CIVIL AND POLITICAL RIGHTS

ECRI GPR 15 ON COMBATING HATE SPEECH

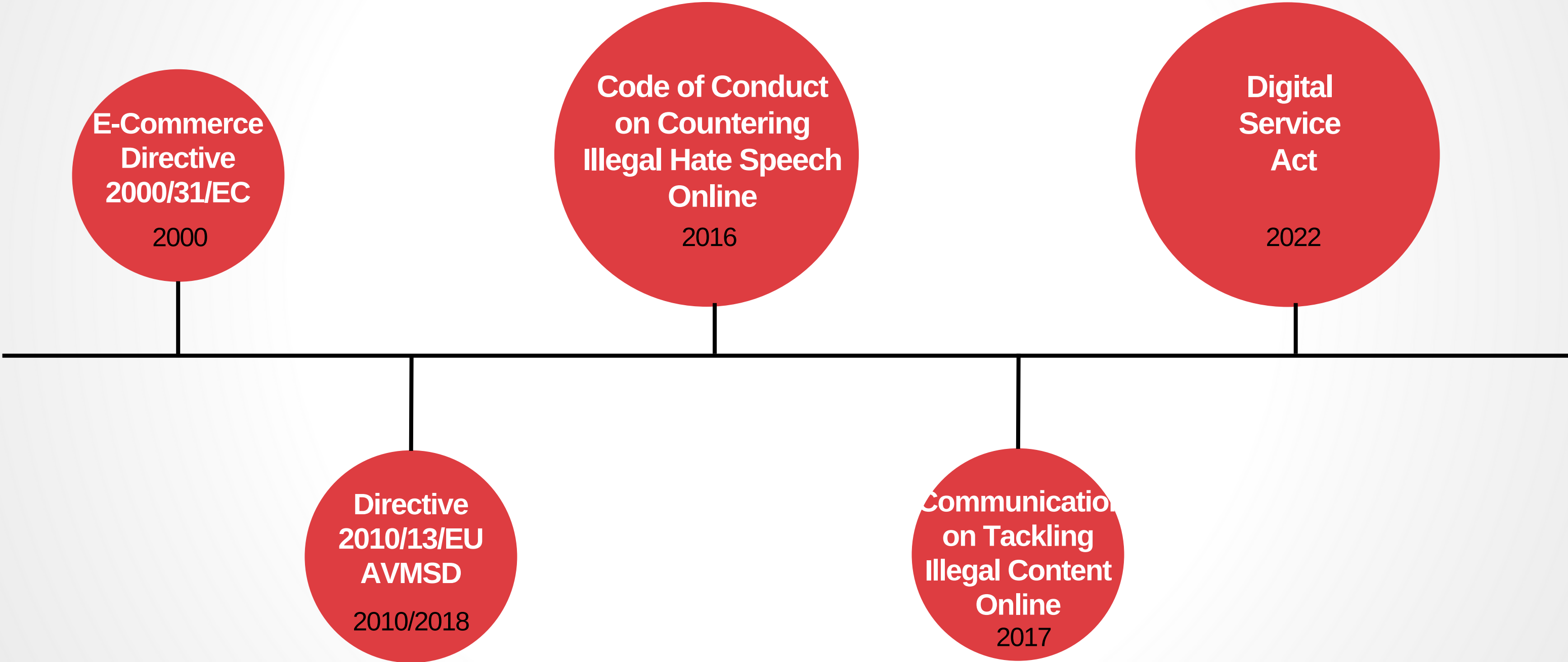
COUNCIL OF EUROPE'S RECOMMENDATION CM/REC(2022)16 ON COMBATING HATE SPEECH

2008 EU COUNCIL FRAMEWORK DECISION ON COMBATING CERTAIN FORMS AND EXPRESSIONS OF RACISM AND XENOPHOBIA BY MEANS OF CRIMINAL LAW

- Criminalise hate speech, i.e. “the public incitement to violence or hatred ... [on grounds of] ... race, colour, religion, descent or national or ethnic origin”.

FOCUSING ON ONLINE HATE

2016 CODE OF CONDUCT
2022 DIGITAL SERVICE ACT



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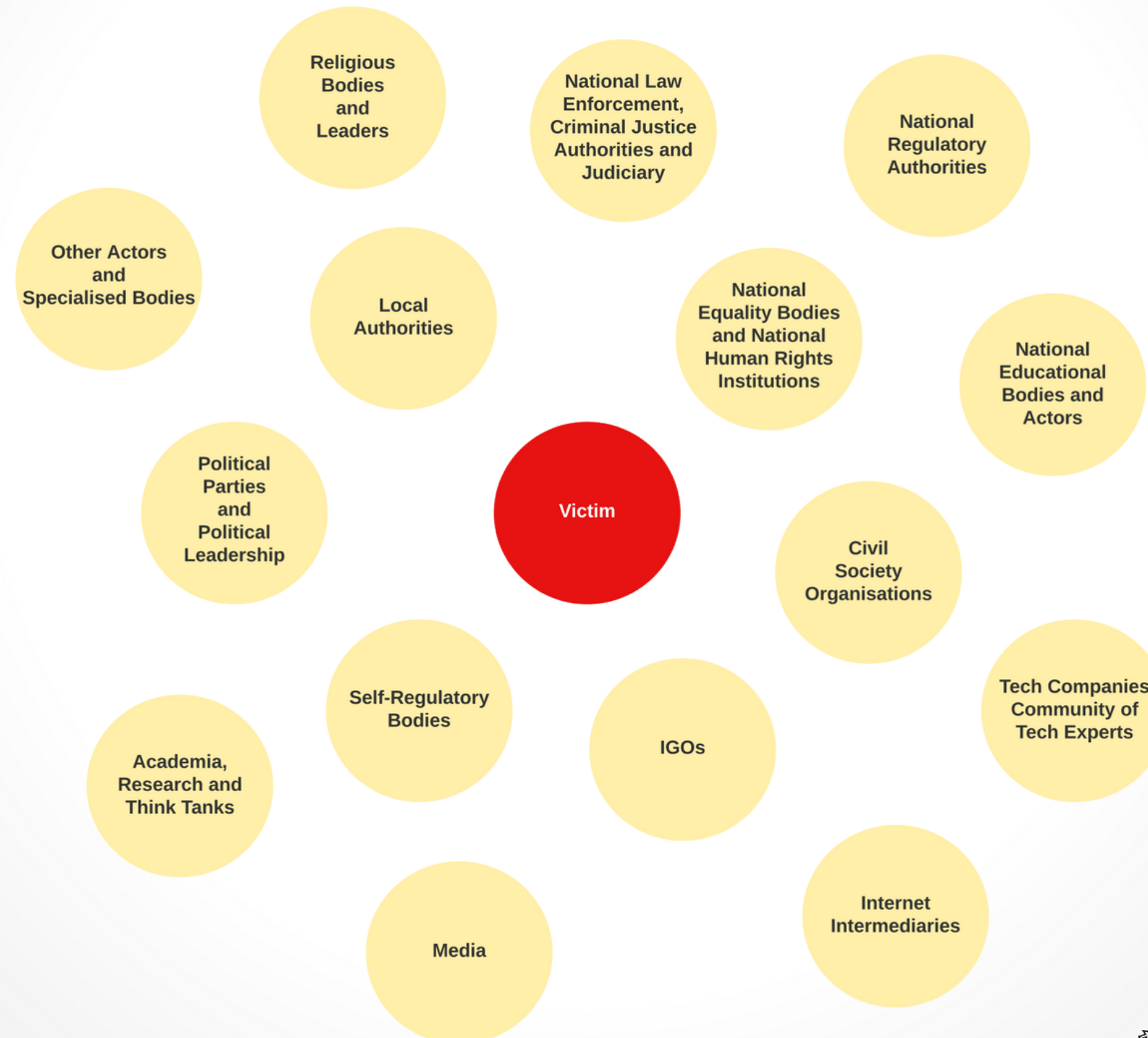
SOME OF THE OBLIGATIONS UNDER THE 2022 DIGITAL SERVICE ACT



- Rules for the removal of illegal goods, services or content online;
- Safeguards for users whose content has been erroneously deleted by platforms;
- **New obligations for very large platforms to take risk-based action to prevent abuse of their systems;**
- Wide-ranging transparency measures, including on online advertising and on the algorithms used to recommend content to users;
- **New powers to scrutinise how platforms work, including by facilitating access by researchers to key platform data;**
- An innovative **cooperation process among public authorities to ensure effective enforcement across the single market.**

KEY FINDINGS, PART ONE

UNDERSTANDING THE HATE SPEECH RESPONSE SYSTEM



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KEY STAKEHOLDERS AND CONTEXT

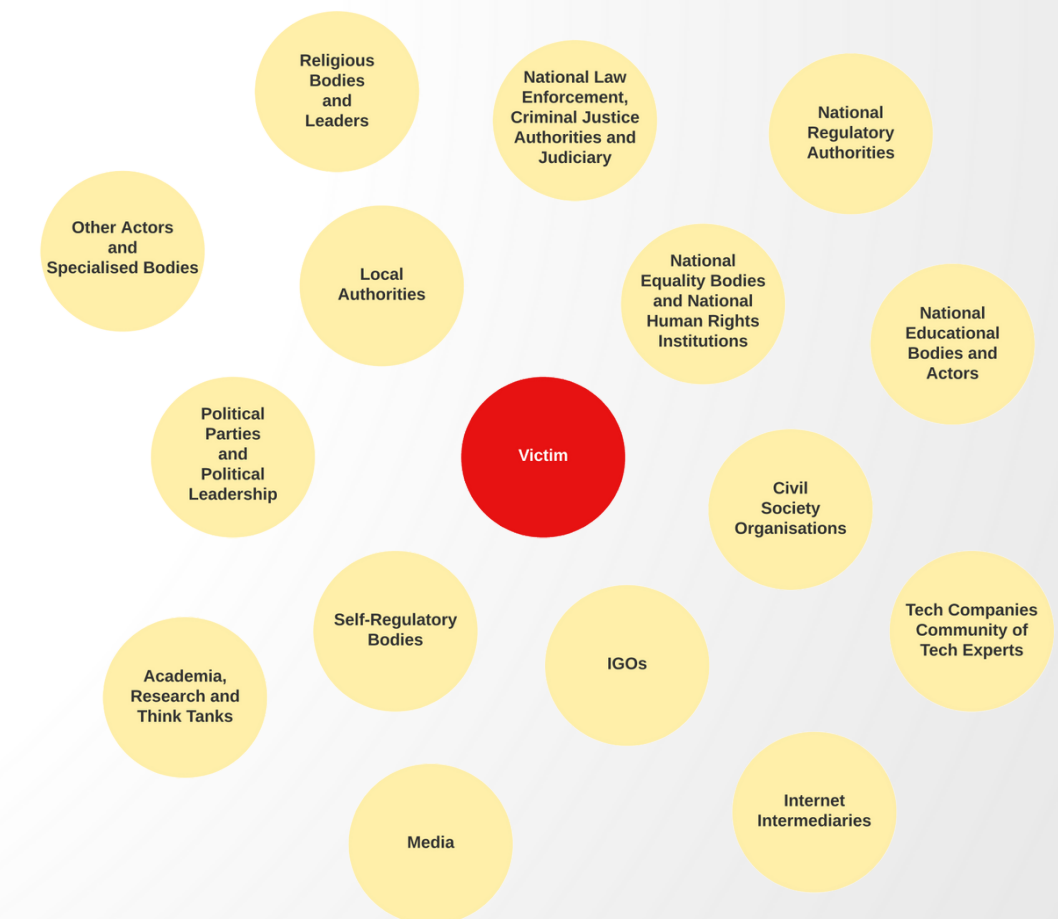


KEY STAKEHOLDERS:

- Law enforcement and Criminal Justice
- National regulatory bodies
- Equality bodies and NHRIs
- Education authorities
- The media
- CSOs
- Political parties and political leadership
- Religious bodies
- Tech companies and community of tech experts
- Academia, researchers and think tanks
- Specialist representatives and interministerial bodies

CONTEXT:

- National political and ideological contexts
- Globalisation of hate speech
- Disinformation, misinformation and conspiracy theories



KEY FINDINGS, PART TWO

A FOCUS ON CIVIL SOCIETY ORGANISATIONS



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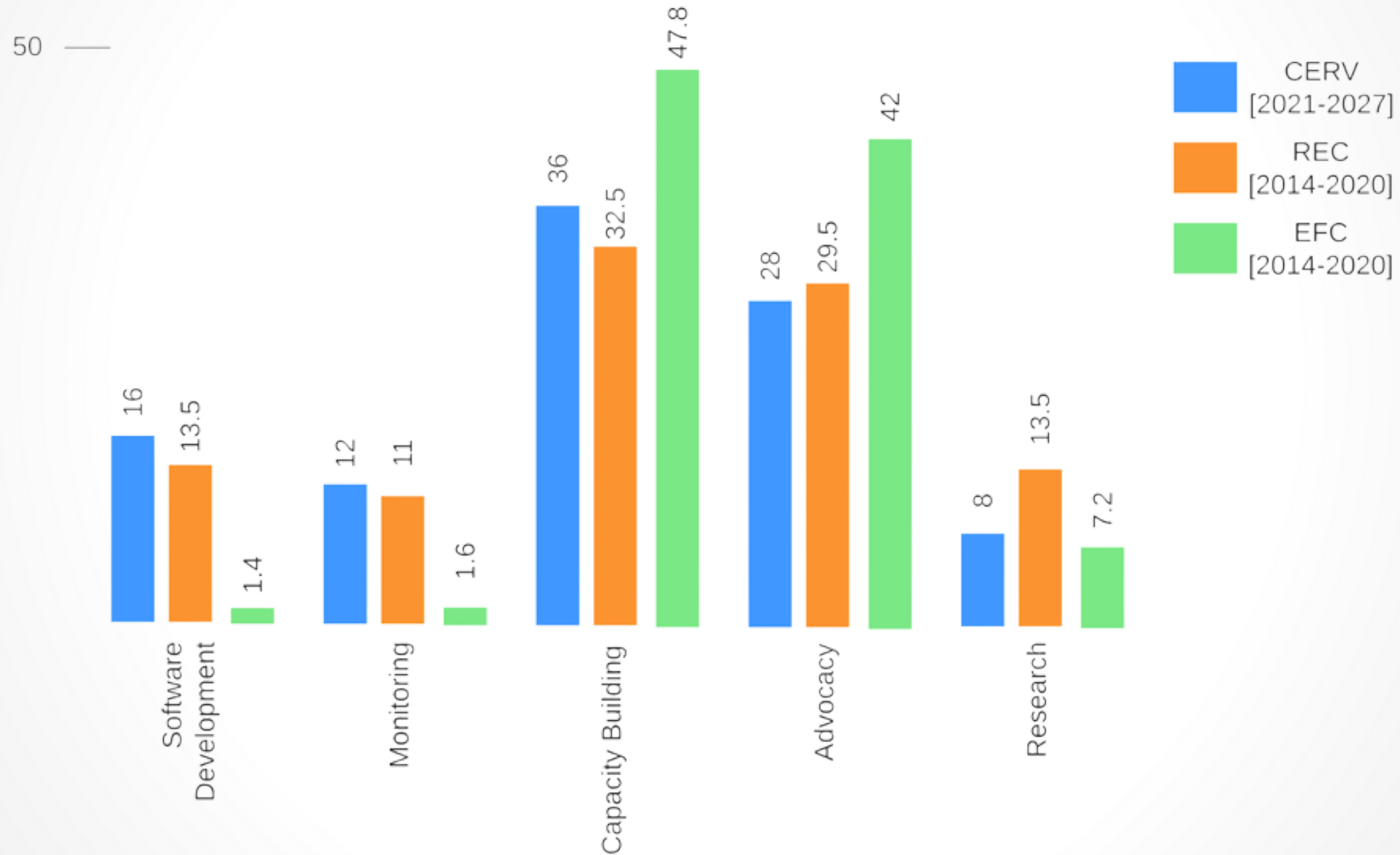
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This graphic was produced based on the data available on the European Commission's websites

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- **LACK OF RESPONSE FROM AUTHORITIES (Knowledge, Skills, Political will)**
- **COMMUNICATION WITH AND THE RESPONSE OF SOCIAL MEDIA COMPANIES (Trusted Flagger)**



NEXT STEPS AND REFLECTIONS