



NEWS REPORT

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Title: Supreme Administrative Court confirms equality body order on university to reopen job contest without age limits
Country: Bulgaria
Context
Issue at stake: Age discrimination in access to employment
Ground of discrimination: Age
Source: National Supreme Court decision (administrative case No 5381/2010)
Field: Access to employment

Content

Decision of the court: On 18 October 2010, the Supreme Administrative Court confirmed a decision issued by the equality body ordering a university to reopen a job contest for professorial positions without applying age limits, as well as to abstain from further use of age limits for access to employment. The Court explicitly held that the Scientific Degrees and Scientific Titles Act, then in force, providing for the impugned age limits was to be set aside based on the supremacy of European Union law, including Directive 2000/78.

In the present case, the applicant was refused access to apply for an 'assistant professor' position because of his age. This was based on an explicit domestic provision which set a maximum age limit.

Decision available at: http://pravo5.ciela.net/Document.aspx?id=2135702945&positionTo0=59_0_0&IdRef0=3658689&Edition0=2147483647&positionTo1=60_0_0&IdRef1=3658682&Edition1=2147483647&category=normi&lang=bg-BG