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| Abstract Proposal | In this presentation we will share our experience on legal ethics clinical education in which the Court of Cassation of Turkey was involved as a cooperation partner. In 2017, the Court of Cassation of Turkey has adopted the Judicial Code of Conduct applicable to judges, public prosecutors and staff of the Court. Due to the principle of transparency of this Code, the Court of Cassation of Turkey wanted to raise public awareness and share their knowledge on legal ethics with the law students, who will be the future legal actors. In order to fulfill this objective, we designed a specific legal clinic program focused on the training of this Code of Conduct.Our method was mainly based on training of trainers. A group of 42 law students have been specially trained to teach for their peers. Those prospective trainer students have taken specific theory lectures on legal ethics and studied the Code. The lectures were held by law professors and judges from the Court. After 14 days training, we asked those students to prepare their own training materials to teach their peers. By this method, the trainer group of students have developed ethical awareness by themselves and shared their knowledge of legal ethics with the other law students. Hereby, we increased the ethical awareness of the law students as well as the recognition of the Code Besides preparing their own Code, the role of the Court of Cassation of Turkey in this clinic was taking parts in the training. Judges, public prosecutors and the staff of the Court explained law students how each of the principles took shape in practice. In our presentation, we will share our experience about this clinical legal education method by emphasizing the interaction between the legal actors of the Court of Cassation of Turkey and the Ankara University Faculty of Law students. |