

## CWI

# Feedback from Disability Law Visit

“The trip was very inspiring. We felt that the value of human life is seen as a priority in England. And we are now eager to defend members of vulnerable groups.”

“Already at Heathrow, I noticed that the UK adhered to equality and diversity principles: the airport staff were of various ethnic origins and were dressed in traditional clothing. I had an impression that human rights were protected by law and widely respected in the UK. This could be seen in the streets of London; this was in the air!”

“Most importantly, I could see that all professionals were trying to find effective ways to help people with disabilities.”

“It was very helpful to learn from practitioners who shared their experiences, spoke about weak points in legislation and the problems they encounter in their work.”

“Undoubtedly, the practice of protecting the rights of disabled persons in the UK is extensive. This happens thanks to disabled persons themselves – they fight for their rights, achieve good results and create positive precedents that lead to changes in the general approach to their issues.”

“Much of what the lecturers talked about can also be applied in Russia as regards the protection of the rights of disabled people. Until recently, the number of positive decisions in this category of cases in Russia was low but at present, more and more Russian lawyers begin to feel concerned and attempt to change legislation and legal practice.”

“Without any doubt, it was very important for me to learn from the experience of UK colleagues. The overall outcome of the training for me is that it has motivated me to keep working in this area and bear in mind that, judging by the experience of British lawyers, the opportunities and rights of disabled people can in fact be equal to those enjoyed by other members of the public.”