

## Training Course for Russian Lawyers with <u>Citizens' Watch International</u> (December 2017-January 2018)

The first training workshop for Russian lawyers took place in St Petersburg on 29-30 September 2017. Deirdre Sheahan from Paragon Law and Catherine Casserley from Cloisters Chambers were there on behalf of HRLC. They trained Russian lawyers representing migrants, refugees and asylum seekers as well as persons with disabilities, respectively. From this first group of approximately 40 lawyers, two groups of 9 disability lawyers and 12 migration lawyers were selected to join a one week training course in Nottingham and London. These were held in w/c 11 December 2017 and w/c 22 January 2018 respectively. Professor David Harris and Laura Wills developed programmes for these courses, which were very much practice oriented and included visits to courts, tribunals, barristers' chambers, NGOs etc.