Presidency program

Hungary

Decade of Roma Inclusion

Andor Urmos Ministry of Social Affairs and Labour June 24, 2008

Objectives New countries - Slovenia, Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Spain, European Roma Policy Anti-segregation policy Communication campaign

Events

- International Steering Committee meeting
 - October 1-2, 2007 taking over the presidency from Bulgaria
 - February 24-25, 2008 endorsement of the "Call for European Roma Policy"
 - June 24-25, 2008 handling over the presidency to Serbia
- Workshops
 - Housing workshop best practices in housing, introduction of anti-segregation policy
 - Anti-discrimination workshop detailed discussion of the anti-discrimination measures in Decade countries, equal opportunity in financing

New countries

- Bosnia official invitation, letter to Prime Minister
- Albania official invitation, letter to the Prime Minister
- Spain official invitation, letter to the Prime Minister
- Slovenia official invitation, observer status

UNICEF ENAR (European Network of Anti-Racism)

European Roma Policy

- Comprehensive European Roma Policy improvement of social inclusion of the Roma community
- Suggestions for the most urgent needs
 - Housing
 - Complex approach of the European funds
 - Capacity building of Roma NGOs
- "Call for European Roma Policy" signed by MEPs, ministers, Dr. Rita Suessmuth
- Letter to Mr. Vladimir Spidla by Ms. Erika Szucs
- Ministry of Foreign Affairs (Hungary) will continue bilateral negotiations (Finland, Spain) XIII. International Steering Committee meeting,

Budapest



"Call for European Roma Policy"

We the under signed, the XII. International Steering Committee meeting of Decade of Roma Inclusion Program held in Budapest on 25 February 2008

having regard to

the European Charter of Fundamental Rights,

Directives 2000/43/EC implementing the principle of equal treatment between persons irrespective of racial or ethnic origin and 2000/78/EC establishing a general framework for equal treatment in employment and occupation, and to the framework decision on combating racism and xenophobia.

the Report on Racism and Xenophobia in the Member States of the EU for 2007, published by the Agency for Fundamental Rights,

the report on "Segregation of Roma Children in Education" published by the European Commission in July 2007,

the report of the High Level Advisory Group of Experts on the Social Integration of Ethnic Minorities and their Full Participation in the Labour Market entitled "Ethnic Minorities on the Labour Market - An Urgent Call for Better Social Inclusion", which was published by the Commission in December 2007.

the European Parliament's resolution on Roma in the European Union adopted on 31 January 2008

the Declaration of Decade of Roma Inclusion Program, signed by of eight Eastern-European countries on 2 February 2005.

reminding that

approximately ten million Roma live in the EU Member States most of whom suffer from social exclusion, discrimination, segregation and live in-poverty,

the social inclusion of Roma is still a goal to be achieved with the assistance of Community instruments in order to produce effective and visible change in this area,

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propose the following actions,

initiate dialogue on the preparation of a European Roma Policy among the EU Member States, non-EU countries and international organisations involved in the Decade of Roma Inclusion, as well as the representatives of the Roma civil society. The European Roma Policy should focus on five priority areas such as education, employment, housing, healthcare and participation, and should also promote antidiscrimination and gender equality as horizontal aspects.

establish mechanisms and procedures for monitoring the impact of EU and national initiatives in the area of Roma inclusion.

take into consideration the aim of inclusion of Roma in the EU employment and social inclusion policy as well as in using the Structural Funds.

The European Roma Policy should set the following goals:

- · expansion of the scope of integrated education, desegregation in public education, increase the level of the Roma people's school qualification;
- · facilitation of the integration of Roma people in the labour market, increase the level of their employment;
- · improvement of housing parallel with the large-scale reduction of segregation in the villages and regions concerned;
- · improvement of the health conditions of Roma people, increase the life expectancy at birth, as well as the improvement of their access to healthcare services;
- · elimination of the discrimination against Roma people, promotion of equal opportunities.
- · involvement of Roma representatives in building their professional capacity in all initiatives aiming to promote their rights and the inclusion of their communities; involvement of Roma in political and social decisions.
- · recognition of the Roma as special minority with transnational character.

February 25, 2008 Budapest

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"Call for European Policy"

Supported by

- Albania
- Czech Republic
- Hungary
- Macedonia
- Romania
- Slovenia
- Slovakia

Anti-segregation policy

- Equal opportunity criteria in financing
 - All governmental initiatives should focus on educational and housing segregation (precondition of access to resources)
 - Proposals for EU funds should have antisegregation plan
 - Expert-network support (approval of antisegregation plan)

Communication campaign – "Roma Desire"

Objectives:

- introduce the fact that in daily life Roma are equal— desires of Roma are the same as non-Roma people,
- enhance tolerance,
- decrease stereotypes against Roma,
- picture the fact, that in spite of that dreams of Roma and non-Roma are equal; their opportunities are different,
- Roma people do not appear in advertisements not recognized as target groups by enterprises.

Communication campaign – "Roma Desire"

Activities:

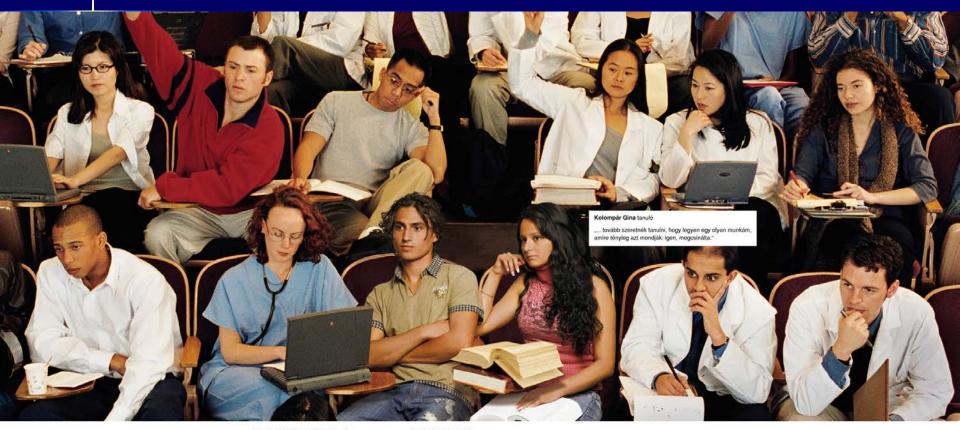
- making interviews with five Roma persons,
- drafting the main dream of each person
- preparation of billboards on their dreams publish them in undergrounds of Budapest among advertisements of enterprises (1-30 June 2008)

At the same time with the billboards' publishing:

- press conference on the opening ceremony (5 June 2008);
- > exhibition of the pictures in a gallery;
- publishing the pictures as free cards.

Gina Kolompár, student

"...I would like to go to higher education to have a job which would make people say: Yes, she made it!"



Kolompár Gina vágyképe

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Norbert Szirmai, reporter

"...I believe that young Romas' desire should be something that contrasts with their current situation. If there were no social and human problems, I would not have to deal with this field. Then I would be a sport reporter."



Szirmai Norbert vágyképe

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Imre Bogdán, restaurant owner

"... I am in a free world without restrictions... where you really have the opportunity to scorch a bit without having to worry about everyday problems".



Bogdán Imre vágyképe

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Budapest

Lilla Hargitai, promotion expert "I would like to see my daughter go to school in Csobánka."

> Ilona Horváth Rezsôné, delivery person "I would like to have my grandchildren attend a very good school in Csobánka".

Horváth Rezsőné llon egyesített kézbesítő Szeretném, ha az unokáim Csobánkán járhatnának egy nagyon jó iskolába." Hargital Lilla reklámszakember Szeretném, ha Csobánkán járna iskolába a kislányom."

Horváth Rezsőné llon és Hargitai Lilla vágyképe

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Együttműködő tárnogató: ARC A "Vágy" a Personal Press Project része. Ert a programot az Európia Közősségi Fogalakozatási és Tamasáani Geolásztasi Program – PROGUELGS (2007-2013) támog Jellen program a szezd állásopati Kiséta, az Európia Benzhág nem lisítek az stében teletetetet információ terhasználásále A Hélinteleti információ nem szűkségizerűlen Köntös az Európia Bizotság álláspontjót, véleményét, 089 📰 🌾 🎾

Péter Ónodi, actor

"My desire is to have a house with a large porch when I grow old. I would love to sit on that porch with my children. I would like to have a lot of children. I envision myself with long, grey hair, with a guitar in my hand, sitting in a rocking chair, with the woman I love now by my side. I would like to take care of a big family with her. I would like to grow old with her".



Ónodi Péter vágyképe

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Együttműködő támogatók: ARC, Zoa, Europress Fotóügynäkség A "Vágy" a Personal Press Project része.

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Decade Secretariat

- 2 persons employed by the Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation
 – Tunde Buzetzky, Agnes Osztolykan
 Operating by January 1, 2008
- Administrative support for the presidency

Proposals of the Hungarian presidency

- Implementation of equal opportunity based financing (anti-segregation policy) in Decade and other European countries
- 2. Preparation of European Roma Policy

Thank you for your attention!