

DECADE OF ROMA INCLUSION 2005 - 2015 PRESIDENCY OF THE CZECH REPUBLIC



INTERNATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 27-28 JUNE 2011

27 JUNE - ANDEL'S HOTEL, 28 JUNE - LICHTENŠTEJNSKÝ PALACE PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC

AGENDA

JUNE 27, 2011 - MONDAY - ANDEL'S HOTEL

09:00 – 09:30 Registration and morning coffee

OPENING SESSION (OPEN TO PRESS)

Chair: Monika Šimůnková, Government Commissioner for Human Rights, National Coordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion2005 – 2015, Czech Republic

09:30 – 09:50 Formal handover of the Presidency of Decade of Roma Inclusion to the Government of Republic of Macedonia

> RNDr. Petr Nečas, Prime Minister of the Czech Republic Nikola Gruevski, Prime Minister of the Republic of Macedonia

09:50 - 11:00 OPENING PANEL DISCUSSION

- SYNERGIES BETWEEN THE DECADE OF ROMA INCLUSION 2005 - 2015 AND THE EU FRAMEWORK FOR NATIONAL ROMA INTEGRATION STRATEGIES -

Moderator: Zeljko Jovanovic, Director, Open Society Roma Initiatives

Lenia Samuel, Deputy-Director General, DG Employment Social Affairs and Inclusion, **European Commission**

Aurel Ciobanu-Dordea, Director, DG Justice, European Commission

George Soros, Founder and Chairman of the Open Society Foundations

Katarina Mathernova, Senior Advisor, The World Bank

Gabriela Hrabaňová, Director, Office of the Gov. Council for Roma Minority Affairs and Secretariat of the Gov. Council for National Minorities, Czech Republic

11:00 - 11:30 **Q&A**

11:30 – 11:50 **Coffee break**

11:30 – 11:50 Report on achievements of the Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic

Monika Šimůnková, Government Commissioner for Human Rights,

National Coordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion

11:50 – 12:30 Introduction to the Decade Presidency Program of Republic of Macedonia

Nezdet Mustafa, Minister without Portfolio, National Coordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion

12:30 – 12:50 Common Standards - to make sense of National Roma Strategies,

Kalman Mizsei, Co-Chair Roma Policy Board, Chair Making the Most of EU Funds for Roma (MTM) Open Society Foundations

SESSION I: DECADE GOOD PRACTICES AND HIGH LEVEL EVENTS

Chair: **Nadir Redzepi,** Project Manager, Making the Most of EU Funds for Roma (MTM) OSF Rapporteur: **Tunde Buzetzky**, Facilitator, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

14:00 – 14:15 Agency for Social Inclusion – Czech Republic

Martin Šimáček, Director of the Agency for Social Inclusion in Roma Localities, the Governmental Office of the Czech Republic

Q&A

14:15 – 14:50 Roma Education Fund project in Macedonia

Šemsi Šainov, Senior Program Officer, Roma Education Fund

Sebijan Fejzula, Student; Zheleanka Demirova, Teacher; Idriz Durmish, Student;

Q&A

14:50 – 15:30 Roma Health Mediators - Serbia

Vladimir Ćakarević, Advisor, Ministry of Health

Laura Saitović, Health Mediator

Q&A

15:30 – 15:50 **Spain Decade National Action Plan 2010 – 2012**

Rocío Ariño Serrano, Head of Programs, Ministry of Health, Social Policy and Equality **Q&A**

15:50 – 16:10 Report on the High Level Event on the Structural Funds contribution to Roma

integration in Slovakia

Andor Urmos, Policy Officer, DG Regio, European Commission

16:10 – 16:30 Strasbourg Declaration and its implementation

Henry Scicluna, Adviser, Support team of the Council of Europe Special Representative for Roma

Q&A

16:30 - 16:50 Coffee Break

SESSION III: DECADE PROGRESS REPORTS

Chair: **Adem Ademi**, Program Coordinator, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation Rapporteur: **David Mark**, Director, Roma Civic Alliance Romania

16:50 - 17:00 **Decade Overview**

Bernard Rorke, International Research and Advocacy Director, Open Society Foundations

17:00 - 17:30 Decade Progress Report

Albania

Bosnia and Herzegovina

Bulgaria

17:30 – 17:50 Civil Society reactions

19:30 Dinner – hosted by the Czech Presidency in Lichtenštejnský palace

(19:00 organized departure from the hotel to Lichtenštejnský Palace; 19:30 arrival at Lichtenštejnský Palace; 19:45 welcoming drink followed by the dinner)

JUNE 28, 2011 – TUESDAY – LICHTENŠTEJNSKÝ PALACE

SESSION IV: DECADE PROGRESS REPORTS

Chair: David Mark, Director, Roma Civic Alliance Romania

Rapporteur: Adem Ademi, Program Coordinator, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

08:45 **Departure from Andel's hotel to Lichtenštejsnký Palace**

09:00 - 09:30 **Reception**

09:30 – 10:00 Decade Progress Report

Croatia

Czech Republic

Hungary

10:00 – 10:20 Civil Society reactions

10:20 – 11:00 Decade Progress Report

Macedonia

Montenegro

Romania

11:00 – 11:30 Civil Society reactions

11:30 – 12:10 Decade Progress Report

Serbia

Slovakia

Spain

12:10 – 12:40 Civil Society reactions

13:00 - 14:00 Lunch

SESSION V: SYNERGIES BETWEEN THE DECADE OF ROMA INCLUSION 2005 - 2015 AND THE EU FRAMEWORK FOR NATIONAL ROMA INTEGRATION STRATEGIES:

Chair: Gabriela Hrabaňová, Director, Office of the Gov. Council for Roma Minority Affairs and Secretariat of the Gov. Council for National Minorities, Czech Republic

14:00 – 15:00 Parallel Working group sessions

Working group 1: EU MEMBER STATES

Moderator: Andor Urmos, European Commission

Debate Starters: Jana Balažová (EC) Adam Kullmann (OSF), David Mark (Romania), Zuzana Kumanová

(Slovakia)

Working group 2: NON-EU STATES

Moderator: Adriatik Hasantari, Director, Roma Active Albania

Debate Starters: Branko Sočanac (Croatia), Jaroslav Kling (UNDP), Sanela Besic (BiH), Mabera Kamberi

(Macedonia)

15:00 – 15:10 Conclusions - Working Group 1

15:10 – 15:20 Conclusions - Working Group 2

15:20 – 15:30 **Decade of Roma Inclusion Endorsement Pledge** to Support the EU Framework for

National Roma Integration Strategies up to 2020

SESSION VI: INCLUSION OF OTHER PARTNERS AND THE DECADE TRUST FUND

Chair: Gabriela Hrabaňová, Director, Office of the Gov. Council for Roma Minority Affairs and Secretariat of the Gov. Council for National Minorities, Czech Republic

15:30 – 15:40 Inclusion of other Countries and International Organizations World Health Organization

15:40 – 15:50 **Closing remarks**

Tunde Buzetzky, Facilitator, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation **Gabriela Hrabaňová**, Director, Office of the Gov. Council for Roma Minority Affairs and Secretariat of the Gov. Council for National Minorities, Czech Republic