

Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005 – 2015

## **Presidency Conclusions**

Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic 1 July 2010 – 30 June 2011



20th INTERNATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING 27-28 JUNE 2011 PRAGUE, CZECH REPUBLIC



## Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - organization -



#### National Coordinator:

Government Commissioner for Human Rights Monika Šimůnková

## Managing body:

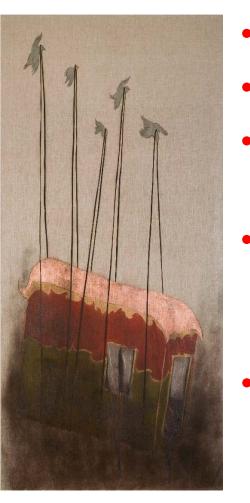
the Office of the Council of the Government of the Czech Republic for Roma Minority Affairs and the Secretariat of the Government Council for National Minorities

### Organizational support:

**Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation** 



Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - priority areas-



- **Inclusive education**
- Well being and rights of children;
- Roma women comprehensive integration policy;
- Implementation of integration policies at the local level, focusing on municipal and regional government;
- Media and the public image of the Roma.



Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - enlargement -



#### New membership:

World Health Organization

#### Invitations extended to:

Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Ireland, Italy, Moldavia, the Netherlands, Poland, Portugal, Greece, the United Kingdom, and Sweden.

#### Expressed the intention to join:

Moldavia

#### Interested in the activities:

The Embassy of the Republic of France and the Kingdom of the Netherlands



Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - monitoring and reporting -



Progress Report of the Decade of Roma Inclusion

For the first time, Decade countries have published comprehensive and comparative government reports within the Decade framework.

Roma participation



## Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - events -



### 28 June 2010

## Formal Inauguration of the Czech Presidency

"I believe that the Presidency will break the chains of poverty and social exclusion under which many of our fellow citizens suffer." Jan Fischer







Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - international event -

30 September / 1 October 2010

## 19<sup>th</sup> International Steering Committee Meeting

- *Joint conclusion*: recently, a dangerous deterioration in the situation of Roma in Europe.
- Presentation of the World Bank study, *Roma* Integration: An Economic Opportunity for Europe (Economic Costs of Roma Exclusion)





Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - international event-



#### 5 October 2010

- Policy Evaluation: Sharing Good Practices in Ethnic Data Collection
- *Purpose:* the sharing of information and good practices with regard to the collection of ethnic data and Roma representation.





## Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - national event -



#### 18 November 2010



## Assessment on the Anniversary of the ECtHR decision *D.H. and Others vs. the Czech Rep*

• Although the ECtHR decision calls for reforms mainly by the Ministry of Education, other state administrative organs also should be involved in a more comprehensive policy change.



EUROPEAN COURT OF HUMAN RIGHTS COUR EUROPÉENNE DES DROITS DE L'HOMME



Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - national event -



1 December 2010

## Integration of Roma at the Local Level—Examples of Good Practices, Dutch and Czech Municipalities

*Purpose:* enabling greater cooperation between Dutch and Czech mayors and municipalities in the area of Roma integration.



Kingdom of the Netherlands









## Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - national events -



**10 December 2010** 



## **Gypsy Spirit Awards 2010**

• To establish a tradition of recognizing work done for the integration of the Roma community, to develop a public platform for presenting positive and real contributions and thus to inform the general public of such contributions.









# Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - International events -

# 2-4 February 2011

Improving Roma Access to Housing: Local Practices, Financing and Legislation

• Focus on regional planning and local government.

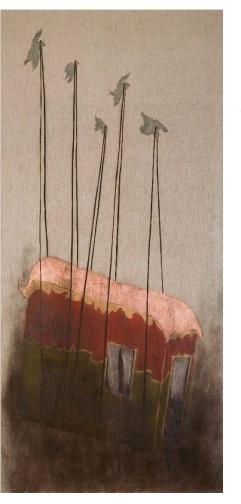


Local Government and Public Service Reform Initiative





Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - international event -



11-12 May 2011, Prague Meeting of the Steering Committee of the EU Roma Network

• *Purpose:* the preparation of a guide for local and regional public administration to improve the use of European funds.



Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic - international event -



## 27-28 May 2011 Desegregated Education in the CEE, Good Practices and the Way Forward

 "Ending segregation and supporting inclusion."





## Decade Presidency of the Czech Republic Formal Handover of the Presidency



## 27-28 June 2011

- 20<sup>th</sup> International Steering Committee Meeting
- Official closing of the Czech Decade Presidency
- Introduction of the Decade
  Presidency Program of the Republic of Macedonia



# Thank you for your attention!

## Monika Šimůnková Government Commissioner for Human Rights

