



# 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**



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# *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**





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# *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.**





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# *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





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# *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*





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# *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**





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# *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.







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# *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.



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# *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.





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# *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





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# *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.





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# *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.”



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## *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**





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*Thank you for your  
attention!*

**Monika Šimůnková**

**Government Commissioner for Human Rights**

