



Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005-2015
Presidency of Republic of Croatia



24TH INTERNATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE MEETING

19-20 June 2013
Hotel International, Miramarska 24, Zagreb, Croatia

Agenda

18th June 2013, Tuesday

19³⁰ *GATHERING OF PARTICIPANTS IN THE LOBBY OF HOTEL INTERNATIONAL*

20⁰⁰ – 21³⁰ *OFFICIAL OPENING OF THE CHACHIPE PHOTO EXHIBITION FOLLOWED BY RECEPTION*

19th June 2013, Wednesday

08:15 - 09:00 *REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS*

PRESIDENCY HANDOVER

Chair: **Branko Sočanac**, Director, Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities

09:00 - 09:15 Formal handover of the Presidency of the Decade of Roma Inclusion to the Government of Republic of Montenegro

Neven Mimica, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia

Suad Numanović, Minister of Human and Minority Rights, Montenegro

SESSION I: THE FUTURE OF THE DECADE OF ROMA INCLUSION – PART I

Moderator: **Zeljko Jovanovic**, Director, Roma Initiatives Office of the Open Society Foundations

09:15 – 9:45 Discussion - **what is the Decade prospect after 2015?**

Neven Mimica, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia

Suad Numanović, Minister of Human and Minority Rights, Montenegro

Jeroen Schokkenbroek, Special Representative of the Secretary-General on Roma issues, Council of Europe

George Soros, Chairman, Open Society Foundations

09:45 – 10:00 *PRESS CONFERENCE AND GROUP PHOTO*

SESSION II: OVERVIEW AND RECENT DEVELOPMENTS

Chair: **Robert Kushen**, Director, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

10:00 – 10:15 Report on achievements of the Decade Presidency of the Republic of Croatia
Branko Sočanac, Director, Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities

10:15 – 10:30 Introduction of the Decade Presidency Plan of Montenegro
Sabahudin Delic, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Human and Minority Rights

10:30 – 11:00 Interventions of Decade Partners - Proposal to accept Norway as an Observer country
Philip Reeker, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for European and Eurasian Affairs, United States of America

Ingrid Schulerud, Ambassador EEA and Norway Grants, Kingdom of Norway

Aksana Filipishyna, Director, Representative of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights

11:00 – 11:15 **COFFEE BREAK**

SESSION III: THE FUTURE OF THE DECADE OF ROMA INCLUSION – PART II

Moderator: **Zeljko Jovanovic**, Director, Roma Initiatives Office of the Open Society Foundations

11:15 – 12:45 Moderated discussion – **what is the Decade prospect after 2015?**

Has the Decade succeeded in raising the profile of rights and challenges of Roma across Europe?

What is the added value of the Decade of Roma Inclusion to continue it beyond 2015?

What would be the top two priorities to continue the Decade beyond 2015?

Participants: **Damir Ljubić**, Minister for Human Rights and Refugees, Bosnia and Herzegovina; **Nezdet Mustafa**, Minister without Portfolio, Government of Republic of Macedonia; **Zoltán Kovács**, State Secretary for Social Inclusion, Ministry of Human Resources, Hungary; **Veljko Kajtazi**, MP, Croatia; **Srdan Šajn**, President, Council for Improving the Situation of Roma and Implementation of the Decade of Roma Inclusion, Serbia; **Sanela Besic**, President, Kali Sara Roma Information Center, Decade Focal Point, Bosnia and Herzegovina; **Detlev Boeing**, Policy Coordinator, DG Enlargement, European Commission, **Ingrid Schulerud**, Ambassador EEA and Norway Grants, Kingdom of Norway; **Katarina Mathernova**, Manager, Europe and Central Asia Unit, The World Bank; **George Soros**, Chairman, Open Society Foundations

12:45 - 14:00 **LUNCH**

SESSION IV: ACTIVE ROMA YOUTH PARTICIPATION IN THE DECADE OF ROMA INCLUSION

Chair: **Orhan Usein**, Program Coordinator, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

14:00 – 14:45 Roma Youth and the Future of the Decade
Models of participation of young Roma from local to international level
Recommendations for active inclusion of young Roma in the Decade of Roma Inclusion

Cristina Marian, Board Member, Forum of European Roma Young People
Mirela Travar, Secretary General, Croatian Youth Network
Karolina Mirga, International Coordinator, TERNYPE

14:45 – 15:15 **Q&A and discussion**

SESSION V: DECADE EXCHANGE

Chair: **Tunde Buzetzky**, Facilitator, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

15:15 - 15:30 Decade Trust Fund Status Report
Marijana Jasarevic, Operations Analyst, The World Bank

15:30 – 15:45 **Q&A and discussion**

15:45 – 16:00 **COFFEE BREAK**

SESSION VI: DECADE PROGRESS REPORTS

Chair: **Marton Rovid**, Research and Policy Officer, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

16:00 – 16:15 Presentation of the Civil Society Monitoring Reports
Marton Rovid, Research and Policy Officer, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

16:15 – 16:40 Czech Republic Progress Reports
Czech Government Representative (TBC)
Filip Rames, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

16:40 – 17:05 Bosnia and Herzegovina Progress Report
Saliha Djuderija, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina
Q&A
Sanela Besic, Decade Focal Point representative of Bosnia and Herzegovina

20:00 **DINNER**

20th June 2013, Thursday

SESSION VII: DECADE PROGRESS REPORTS

Chair: **Dominique Be**, Principal Administrator, DG Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission

09:15 – 09:40 Hungary Progress Report
Zoltan Kovacs, State Secretary for Social Inclusion, Ministry of Human Resources
Luca Koltai, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

09:40 – 10:05 Bulgaria Progress Report
Rositsa Ivanova, Secretary and Senior Program Officer, National Council for Cooperation on Ethnic and Integration Issues
Stefan Panayotov, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

10:05 – 10:30 Slovakia Progress Report
Jan Hero, Director of the Department of concepts, analysis and regional cooperation,
Office of the Plenipotentiary of the Slovak Republic
Jarmila Lajcakova, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

10:30 – 10:55 Serbia Progress Report
Dragoljub Ackovic, Deputy Director, Office of Human and Minority Rights of the
Government of the Republic of Serbia
Q&A
Nenad Vladislavljev, Decade Focal Point representative of Serbia

10:55 – 11:15 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION VIII: THE DECADE BEYOND 2015: REVIEW OF THE RESULTS OF THE CONSULTATION PROCESS

Moderator: **Robert Kushen**, Director, Decade of Roma Inclusion Secretariat Foundation

11:15 – 11:30 Presentation of the Options Paper on the future of the Decade –Working Group on the
Future of the Decade beyond 2015
Branko Sočanac, Director, Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National
Minorities of the Republic of Croatia

11:30 – 12:45 Debate

Debate starters: **Dragoljub Ackovic and Marijana Jasarevic**, Members of the Working
Group on the Future of the Decade beyond 2015

12:45 – 14:00 LUNCH

SESSION IX: DECADE PROGRESS REPORTS

Chair: **Valentina Petrus**, Program Manager, Open Society Foundation Slovakia

14:00 – 14:15 Albania Civil Society Monitoring Report
Adriatik Hasantari, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

14:15 – 14:40 Romania Progress report
Daniel Vasile, President, National Agency for Roma, Romania
Florin Moisa, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

14:40 – 15:05 Spain Progress report
Rocio Arino Serano, Head of Program, DG Family and Childhood Services, Ministry of
Health, Social Services and Equality, Spain
Marta Hernandez Enriquez, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

15:05 – 15:30 COFFEE BREAK

SESSION X: DECADE PROGRESS REPORTS

Chair: **Jaroslav Kling**, Human Development and Roma Inclusion Policy Analyst, UNDP

15:30 – 15:55 Macedonia Progress report
Nezdet Mustafa, Minister without Portfolio, Government of the Republic of Macedonia
Eben Friedman, Civil Society Monitoring Report consultant

15:55 – 16:20 Montenegro Progress Report
Sabahudin Delic, Deputy Minister, Department of Human and Minority Rights
Q&A
Gasi Isen, Decade Focal Point representative of Montenegro

16:20 – 16:45 Croatia Progress Report
Aleksa Dokic, Assistant Director, Office of Human Rights and National Minorities, Croatia
Q&A
Ljubomir Mikic, Decade Intelligence consultant for Croatia

16:45 – 17:00 CONCLUSION

Branko Sočanac, Director, Government Office for Human Rights and Rights of National Minorities of the Republic of Croatia