Decade of Roma Inclusion

Draft Agenda
XIV International Steering Committee Meeting

Palace of Serbia
Belgrade Hall
Bulevar Mihajla Pupina 2/a
(East entrance)

September 4-5, 2008

September 3rd, Wednesday

14:00 – 19:00   Arrival of participants
20:00 - 21:00   Meeting of chairs and rapporteurs
September 4th, Thursday

09:00 – 10:00 Registration

I. Opening session

Chair: Koko Ljuan, Head of the Roma National Strategy Secretariat, Ministry of Human and Minority Rights, Serbia

Rapporteur: Gábor Darócz, Senior Policy Officer, Open Society Institute

10:00 – 11:45 Opening speech

High officials of the Republic of Serbia
High Official of the Bosnia and Herzegovina
OSI
Kori Udovički, UNDP Regional Director, UNDP Bratislava
UNICEF
UNHABITAT
UNHCR
OSCE
Vitomir Mihajlović, National Council of the Roma National Minority, President

Bosnia and Herzegovina officially joining the Decade by signing Decade Declaration

11:45 – 12:00 Coffee break

II. Common initiatives and policies

Chair: Hannelore Valier, Head of the Democratization Department, OSCE Mission to Serbia

Rapporteur: Nadir Redzepi, Executive Director, Roma Democratic Development Association Sonce, Macedonia

1 Priorities of Serbian Decade Presidency

12.00 – 12.15 Ljuan Koko, Head of the Roma National Strategy Secretariat, Ministry of Human and Minority Rights, Serbia
Activities of the R Serbia in Presidency priority areas- housing, combating discrimination in education and cross cutting issues of access to funds and monitoring and evaluation, as well as regarding the European Roma Policy

12.15 - 13.45 Activities of other participant countries in these areas (country presentations focused on priorities of the Serbian Presidency)
Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Czech Republic, Hungary, Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Slovakia, Spain

13.45 - 14.45  Lunch

2 European Roma Policy

14.45 - 15.00  Joachim Ott, Roma Action Group Coordinator, European Commission, European Roma Summit and update on ERP (tbc)

15.00 – 15.15  Discussion

3. Access to EU Funds for Roma related projects

15.15 – 15.30  Tanja Miščević, Director of the EU Integration Office, (tbc)

15.30 - 15.45  Discussion

4. Decade Trust Fund

15.45 – 16.00  Tunde Buzetzky, Decade Trust Fund status and proposal for the Decade Trust Fund ToR update

III. Housing

Chair: Jaroslav Kling, UNDP Regional Center, Bratislava

Rapporteur: Marijana Jasarevic, The World Bank Serbia Country Office

1). Guidelines for Legalisation and Improvement of Roma settlements

16.00 – 16.30  Prof dr. Vladimir Macura, Expert, Serbia

16.30 – 16.45  Discussion

2). Dorohai Housing Project

16.45 - 17.05  Baresku Cataline, Expert, Romania

17.05 – 17.30  Discussion

Cultural event, Republic Square
14.30 – 15.30  Defile of Roma Folklore Associations
15.30 – 18.30  Roma Folklore from Belgrade, Niš, Prokuplje, Vranje, Kruševac
              Roma hip-hop artists
              Young Roma artists- piano, violin

18.30 – 19.30  Diner in the Hotel Continental

Cultural event

20.00 - 21.30  Nataša Tasić, Vocal, Ismet Jašarević
              “Gypsy Prayer for the South”, Zoran Tairović

September 5th, Friday

Chair:  Željko Jovanović, OSI Budapest
Rapporteur:  Iulian Stoian, LL.M., Roma Civic Alliance of Romania

3). Upgrading and regularization of Roma Settlement Grdička Kosa 2 in Kraljevo municipality

09.00 – 09.30  Zlata Vuksanović Macura, UN Habitat, Belgrade Office
09.30 – 09.45  Discussion

4). Representatives of Roma civil society- coments on activities during the Serbian Presidency

09.45–11.15  Albania, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Croatia, Check Republic,
              Hungary, Macedonia, Montenegro, Romania, Slovakia, Spain
11.15 – 11.30  Coffee break

IV. Monitoring and evaluation

Chair:  Michael Guet, Head of Roma and Travellers Division,
              Council of Europe
Rapporteur:  Adriatic Hasantari, Director, Roma Active Albania

1). Monitoring and evaluation

11.30 – 12.00  Andrey Ivanov, UNDP Regional Center, Bratislava
12.00 – 12.15  Discussion
2). Monitoring and evaluation- three years after: Still in the dark?
12.15 – 12.45 Aleksandar Baucal, expert, Serbia
12.45 – 13.00 Discussion

3). Decade Watch Report Presentation
13.00- 13.15 Summary of DecadeWatch Update - Ferenc Zsigo, Hungary
   DecadeWatch – Progress in Serbia - Osman Balic, Serbia
   DecadeWatch – Progress in Macedonia – Nadir Redzepi, Macedonia
13.15- 13.30 Discussion

IV. Conclusions and closing remarks
13.30 – 14.00 Conclusions
13.30 – 15.00 Lunch