Presidency Programme
"Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005-2015"
Republic of Macedonia
(1 July to 30 June 2012)
Macedonia and the Decade of Roma inclusion 2005-2015

• We participate in the preparation of the Decade of Roma since 2003 and we are a member from the beginning of its starting on 2 February, 2005.

• In 2005 the Government of the Republic of Macedonia have bring and adopted a "National Strategy for Roma in Macedonia" and appointed a National Coordinating Body

• In 2009, the National Action Plans were reviewed.

• In Macedonia, the Decade of Roma at the ministerial level through the appointment of Minister of National Coordinator for the implementation of its activities
Preparation of program presidency

• Consultative, participatory and transparent process

• Interview with representatives of international and national organizations

• Strategic workshop

• Two technical workshops (with NGOs and government institutions)

• Presentation of the program to stakeholders
Defined priorities

**Sectoral**
- Employment
- Housing
- Health
- Persons without documents
- Education/Early Child Development

**Inter-sectoral**
- Roma Women’s Rights
- Discrimination
- Institutionalization
- Data and Indicators
- Cooperation with EU

**Advocacy, Coordination and Partnerships**
- Improving the Information of the Administration
- Public Awareness Raising
- Strategic Linking of the Decade to the efforts made by the EU, New Strategy for Roma Integration
Defined priorities – primary

- **Employment** - how effective are current policies on employment and active labor market for employment of Roma population

- **Housing** - coordination of efforts by central and local government in order legalization of Roma settlements and improving substandard living conditions in these settlements
Defined priorities – secondary

- **Health** - Roma health mediators to support improved access to health facilities and increased utilization of quality health services

- **Education** - early childhood development and the importance of preschool, primary and secondary education with an emphasis on children from dysfunctional families

- **People without documents** - which are obstacles to solving the problem and whether there is progress?
Cross-sectoral themes

• Improving the position of Roma women
• Discrimination
• Institutionalization
• Data and indicators
• Collaboration with the European Union
Advocacy, Partnerships and Coordination

- Improving awareness of the administration
- Raising awareness
- Strategic linking the efforts of the Decade of Roma and EU the European Strategy for Roma Integration
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