



Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005-2015
Presidency of Montenegro

ECONOMIC EMPOWERMENT OF ROMA

17-18 June 2014
Hotel Ramada, Podgorica, Montenegro

AGENDA

16th June 2014, Monday

20⁰⁰ – ARRIVAL OF PARTICIPANTS AND WELCOME DINNER

17th June 2014, Tuesday

08³⁰ – 09¹⁵ REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS

09¹⁵ – 09⁴⁵ OPENING SESSION

Chair: Leon Gjokaj, National Coordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion 2005-2015, Montenegro

Welcome note by the Decade Presidency of Montenegro

*Suad Numanovic, Minister for Human and Minority Rights, Government of Montenegro
Predrag Boskovic, Minister for Labor and Social Policy, Government of Montenegro*

09⁴⁵ – 11⁰⁰ **SESSION I: BEST PRACTICES FROM IOS, DONORS AND PROGRAMS**

Chair: Jasmina Papa, Sub-regional Adviser on Social Inclusion, United Nations Development Program

09⁴⁵ – 10⁰⁰ **Social Empowerment: towards increased Roma inclusion**
Celine Ferre, The World Bank

10⁰⁰ – 10¹⁵ **Multiple roads for increasing employment of Roma**
Adam Kullman, Making the Most of EU Funds for Roma, Open Society Foundations

10¹⁵ – 10³⁰ **Supporting entrepreneurs in Roma communities through a Roma Investment Fund**
Petrica Dulgheru, Roma Initiatives Office, Open Society Foundations

10³⁰ – 11⁰⁰ **Q&A**

11⁰⁰ – 11³⁰ **COFFEE BREAK**

11³⁰ – 13⁰⁰ **SESSION II: BEST PRACTICES FROM NATIONAL PROGRAMS**

Chair: Adam Kullman, Co-acting Director, Making the Most of EU Funds for Roma, Open Society Foundations

11³⁰ – 11⁵⁰ **Employability and employment of Roma – Regional overview**
Jasmina Papa, United Nations Development Program

11⁵⁰ – 12¹⁰ **Roma Income Generation and Integration Association**
Georgi Georgiev, Land – Source of Income Foundation & Integro Association, Decade Focal Point Bulgaria

12¹⁰ – 12³⁰ **Project Finally – Financial Literacy for Roma**
Marjeta Gasparsic, Development and Education Center Novo Mesto, Slovenia

12³⁰ – 13⁰⁰ **Q&A**

13⁰⁰ – 14³⁰ **LUNCH**

14³⁰ – 16⁰⁰ **SESSION III: EMPOWERING ROMA YOUTH, TACKLING YOUTH EMPLOYMENT**

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

14³⁰ – 14⁴⁵ **ILO policy response and examples of good practices on youth employment**
Sofia Amaral De Oliveira, International Labor Organization

14⁴⁵ – 15⁰⁰ **Youth Guarantee Program and Youth Employment Fund**
European Commission (TBD)

15⁰⁰ – 15¹⁵ **Youth Employment in Montenegro**
Elvis Berisha, Representative of Mladi Romi, Decade Focal Point Montenegro

15¹⁵ – 15³⁰ **Integrom: job offers for youngsters in Hungary**
Agnes Kelemen, Autonomia Foundation, Hungary

15³⁰ – 16⁰⁰ **Q&A**

16⁰⁰ – 16³⁰ **COFFEE BREAK**

16³⁰ – 18⁰⁰ **SESSION IV: COMMERCE & AGRICULTURAL COOPERATIVES**

Chair: Petrica Dulgheru, Advisory Board Member, Roma Initiatives Office, Open Society Foundations

16³⁰ – 16⁵⁰ **Social Trade Peddling Project in Spain**
Fabian Sanchez, Presencia Gitana - Decade Focal Point Spain

16⁵⁰ – 17¹⁰ **Social inclusion and employment through bio-dynamic/organic food production**
Rusalka Majer, Autonomous Centre ACT, Croatia

17¹⁰ – 17³⁰ **Social land program**
Ivan Soros, Government of Hungary

17³⁰ – 18⁰⁰ **Q&A**

20⁰⁰ – **DINNER**

18th June 2014, Wednesday

09³⁰ – 11⁰⁰ **SESSION V: SOCIAL ENTERPRISES AND CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**

Chair: Violeta Naydenova, Policy Analyst, Open Society Foundations

09³⁰ – 09⁴⁵ **Collectors of secondary raw materials for a more certain future**
Osman Balic, The League of Roma, Serbia

09⁵⁰ – 10¹⁰ **Field social work**
Gabriela Verbovska, Slovak Government

10¹⁰ – 10³⁰ **Housing rehabilitation and community development**
Mate Kertesz, Bagazs Public Benefit Association, Hungary

10³⁰ – 11⁰⁰ **Q&A**

11⁰⁰ – 11³⁰ **COFFEE BREAK**

11³⁰ – 12⁰⁰ **CONCLUDING REMARKS**

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

Sanja Zugic, Ministry for Human and Minority Rights, Montenegro

12⁰⁰ – **LUNCH**
