CONFEERENCE PROGRAMME

WEDNESDAY 2 FEBRUARY 2011

11:00 – 17:00 FACULTATIVE FIELD TRIP TO ROUDNICE NAD LABEM
Meetings with local authorities, local community
Organised by: Agency for Social Inclusion

THURSDAY 3 FEBRUARY 2011

9:30 – 10:00 PLENARY SESSION: WELCOME
Venue: Hotel Pyramida Congress Hall
Moderator: Czeslaw Walek, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic
9:30  ing. Miroslav Kalous, Deputy Minister of Regional Development
9:40  Morten Kjaerum, Director of the European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights
9:50  Robert Basch, Director of Open Society Fund Prague
9:52  Alexandros Tsolakis, Policy Expert, DG Regio, European Commission

10:00-13:00 PLENARY SESSION: SETTING THE FRAME WORK IN-DEPTH DISCUSSIONS AND GOOD PRACTICE EXCHANGE
Moderator: Czeslaw Walek, Office of the Government of the Czech Republic
10:00-10:15 Adequate housing as a component of the right to an adequate standard of living and the right to non-discrimination: Raquel Rolnik (UN Special Rapporteur on Housing)
10:15-10:30 Council of Europe standards regarding Roma housing: Michael Guet (Support Team of the Special Representative of the Secretary General for Roma Issues, Council of Europe)
10:30-10:45 Access of Roma to housing in the EU: Eva Sobotka (Fundamental Rights Agency)
10:45-11:00 Katarina Mathernova (The World Bank)
11:00-11:15 Social housing in transition countries – a need for innovations: Martin Lux (Institute of Sociology of the Academy of Sciences of the Czech Republic)
11:15-11:45 Coffee break
11:45-13:00 Discussion

13:00 – 14:30 LUNCH
14:30 – 17:00 WORKING GROUPS SESSIONS

WORKING GROUP 1: PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION:
CASE LAW AND MEDIATION PRACTICE RESULTING FROM WORK OF THE EQUALITY BODIES
AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES

OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKING GROUP IS TO EXPLORE CASES AND METHODS APPLIED IN PRACTICE
CONCERNING PRACTICAL APPLICATION OF ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LEGISLATION. EQUALITY
BODIES, BUT ALSO LOCAL AUTHORITIES PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN ADDRESSING
DISCRIMINATION IN HOUSING.

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Congress Hall
Moderator: Michail Beis (Fundamental Rights Agency)
Speakers: Kalliopi Lykovardi (Ombudsman Greece)
Marian Mandache (Romani Criss)
Fabien Dechavanne (HALDE France)
Robin Harms (Ombudsman for Minorities Finland)

WORKING GROUP 2: HOUSING AND CONFLICT

THE INSUFFICIENT DISTINCTION BETWEEN CAMPS, ILLEGAL SETTLEMENTS, AND SQUATS IS FURTHER
FOSTERING THE CONFUSION BETWEEN NOMADS, MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES. THE WORKSHOP AIMS TO
INTRODUCE A CONCEPTUAL FRAMEWORK THAT CAN IMPROVE THE DESIGN OF FUTURE POLICIES OF
INTEGRATION.

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Meeting Room
Moderator: Catalin Berescu (architect, Romania)
Speakers: Claude Kahn (United Nations Office of the Resident Coordinator in the Republic of Moldova)
Nabeel Hamdi (Oxford Brookes)

WORKING GROUP 3 (CLOSED): MAKING ERDF AVAILABLE FOR FINANCING HOUSING FOR
MARGINALISED COMMUNITIES

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE WG ARE (1) TO DISCUSS THE NECESSARY CONTENTS OF ROMA INCLUSION
PROJECTS WITH A HOUSING COMPONENT THAT SHOULD BE THE BASIS OF THE DESIGN OF NATIONAL
LEVEL PROGRAMMING; AND (2) ENABLE STAKEHOLDERS (MAS AND NGOS EQUALLY) TO DISCUSS THE
OPTIONS, CONDITIONS AND POSSIBLE OUTCOMES OF SUCH PROGRAMS.

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Meeting Room
Moderator: Alexandros Tsolakis (DG Regio, European Commission)
Speakers: Adam Kullmann (Open Society Institute, LGI)
Nora Teller (Metropolitan Research Institute)
Eszter Somogyi (Metropolitan Research Institute)
Marek Hojsík (Social Development Fund, Slovakia)
János Csóka (Consensus Foundation, Hungary)
Daniela Grabmüllerova (Ministry for Regional Development and Public Works, Czech Republic)
Deyan Kolev (Amalipe Foundation, Bulgaria)
Ilie Dinca (National Agency for Roma, Romania)
Martin Simacek (Agency for Social Inclusion, Czech Republic)
Márton Matkó (National Development Agency, Hungary)
Bogdan Suditu (Ministry of Regional Development and Tourism, Romania)
Juraj Kuruc (Office of the Plenipotentiary for Roma Communities, Slovakia)
Elitsa Nikolova (Ministry for Regional Development and Public Works, Bulgaria)

19:00 – 21:00 DINNER

FRIDAY 4 FEBRUARY 2011

9:00 – 11:30 WORKING GROUPS SESSIONS

WORKING GROUP 4: COLLABORATIVE PLANNING AND MEDIATING SHARED COMMUNITIES (HOUSING AND CONSENSUS)

THE WORKGROUP WILL GO THROUGH THE WORKSHOP METHODOLOGY, CONTRIBUTE CONTEXTUALLY RELEVANT INFORMATION AND PROPOSITIONS AND EXERCISES. THESE WILL THEN BUILD ACTUAL WORKSHOPS TO SUIT PARTICULAR LOCATIONS WITH SPECIFIC CONDITIONS AND HISTORY WITHIN THE CZECH REPUBLIC / CEE.

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Meeting Room
Moderator: Maria Faraone (Oxford Brookes)
Speakers: Antonio Tosi (Milan Politechnic)
Marek Hojsík (Social Development Fund, Slovakia)

WORKING GROUP 5: SOCIAL HOUSING – GIVE PEOPLE THE CHOICE

THE OBJECTIVES OF THE WG ARE (1) TO DISCUSS WHAT DEVELOPMENTS HAVE BEEN IN PLACE IN THE PAST TWO DECADES IN SOCIAL HOUSING Provision in SELECTED COUNTRIES, AND (2) ENABLE PARTICIPANTS TO ELABORATE THE OPTIONS FOR ALTERNATIVE MODELS.

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Congress Hall
Moderator: József Hegedüs (Metropolitan Research Institute)
Speakers: Maurizia Tovo (The World Bank)
Mona Prisacariu (Habitat for Humanity, Romania)
Martina Mikesheva (Czech Academy of Sciences)
Mina Petrovic (Belgrade University)

WORKGROUP 6: GOOD PRACTICES IN IMPROVING THE ACCESS OF ROMA TO HOUSING IN RURAL AND URBAN AREAS

OBJECTIVES OF THE WORKING GROUP IS TO PRESENT EXAMPLES OF GOOD PRACTICE IN THE AREA OF HOUSING, AND EXPLORE FACTORS OF SUCCESSFUL HOUSING PROJECT TO ALLOW FOR LEARNING ACROSS BOARD.
Venue: Hotel Pyramida Meeting Room
Moderator: Eva Sobotka (Fundamental Rights Agency)
Speakers: Michail Beis (Fundamental Rights Agency)
Antonio López Gandara (Fundación Secretariado Gitano)
Marta Álvarez Alonso (Dirección General de Asuntos Sociales y Cooperación al Desarrollo, Gobierno de Navarra)
Stanislav Svoboda (RPG RE Management, s.r.o.)
Pablo Espiniella (OHCHR Regional Office for Europe)

WORKING GROUP 7 (CLOSED): MAKING ERDF AVAILABLE FOR FINANCING HOUSING FOR MARGINALISED COMMUNITIES

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE WG IS TO FACILITATE THE PROGRAMMING PROCESS BY DISCUSSING THE GUIDELINES OFFERED BY THE EC.

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Meeting Room/Congress Hall
Moderator: Aleksandor Tsolakis (DG Regio, European Commission)
Speakers: Nora Teller (Metropolitan Research Institute)
Slavka Macakova (ETP - Center for Sustainable Development, Slovakia)
Gelu Duminica (Agentia Imprenua, Romania)
Deyan Kolev (Amalipe Foundation, Bulgaria)
János Csóka (Consensus Foundation, Hungary)
Ivana Nesetova (Centrom NGO, Czech Republic)

11:45 – 13:00 PLENARY SESSION

Venue: Hotel Pyramida Congress Hall
11:45 – 13:15 Reports from the workgroups followed by discussion moderated by Peter Vermeersch (University of Leuven, Belgium)

13:30 LUNCH