

DECADE DECLARATION

Building on the momentum of the 2003 conference, "Roma in an Expanding Europe & Challenges for the Future", we pledge that our governments will work toward eliminating discrimination and closing the unacceptable gaps between Roma and the other members of society, as identified in our Decade Action Plans.

We declare the years 2005 – 2015 to be the Decade of Roma Inclusion and we commit to support the full participation and involvement of national Roma communities in achieving the Decade's objectives and to demonstrate progress by measuring outcomes and reviewing experiences in the implementation of the Decade's Action Plans.

We invite other states to join our effort.

Sofia, 1-2 February, 2005

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