### **Closing Conference of the European Year** For Combating Poverty and Social Exclusion

> 16-17 December 2010, Brussels



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- Arrival of the participants
- Networking dinner (participants, public authorities)
- Dinner for the Ministers and Secretaries of States present

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#### Charlemagne building

9h00 - 9h30

Registration & Coffee

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| Chair                        | Julien Van Geertsom, President of the Belgian Federal Public Planning Service for Social Integration.                                                                                                                                                                     |
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| <u>Plenary</u>               |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 9h30 - 9h35                  | « Message from people experiencing poverty ».                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |
| 9h35 — 10h30                 | Welcome, Christine Mahy, President of Belgian Antipoverty network. Introduction to the conference.                                                                                                                                                                        |
|                              | Panel discussion:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                              | Philippe Courard, Secretary of State for social integration and combating poverty                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                              | László Andor, European Commissioner for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion                                                                                                                                                                                          |
|                              | Ludo Horemans, EAPN / NGO's coalition                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 10h30 — 11h00                | Round table with the Ministers and Secretary of State from the participating Countries                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| 11h00 - 12h30                | <b>Project path: Sharing, learning, inspiring »</b> . Introduction: <b>Antonia Carparelli</b> , Head of Unit Social Inclusion, European Commission. Exhibition of projects from 29 partners countries (video corner, speakers' corner, library, photos). Coffee included. |
| 12h30 — 12h50                | European Minister's speeking time                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| 12h50 - 14h00                | Lunch                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 14h -14h45                   | Journalist Awards with the presence of Lesley Knight (European Ambassador of the European Year).                                                                                                                                                                          |
| Final session                |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 14h45 — 15h15                | Jerzy Buzek, President of the European Parliament                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
|                              | Herman Van Rompuy, President of the European Council                                                                                                                                                                                                                      |
|                              | José Manuel Barroso, President of the European Commission.                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
|                              | Yves Leterme, Prime Minister of Belgium                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |
| 15h20                        | <b>Philippe Courard,</b> Secretary of State for social integration and combating poverty, closing and invitation to reception in the City hall of Brussels                                                                                                                |
| <u>City Hall of Brussels</u> |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| 16h00                        | Reception in the Gothic Room                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
|                              | Welcoming address, <b>Freddy Thielemans</b> , Mayor of Brussels City.                                                                                                                                                                                                     |
| 17h30                        | Closure                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                   |

