

**18<sup>th</sup> European Platform for Roma Inclusion**

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**Square Brussels Meeting Centre**

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***“Insights and lessons after five years of implementing the EU Roma Strategic Framework  
– Progress made and remaining challenges”***

**Draft agenda**

**Moderator: Mr Ali Al-Jaberi**

08:30 – 09:30     *Welcome coffee and registration*

09:30 – 10.30     **Opening remarks (plenary)**

- Ms Hadja Lahbib, European Commissioner for Equality, Preparedness and Crisis Management
- Ms Irena Moozova, Deputy Director-General, DG Justice and Consumers, European Commission

**High level political panel (plenary)**

- Mr Michael O’Flaherty, Commissioner for Human Rights, Council of Europe
- Mr Atanas Zafirov, Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Bulgaria and Chair of the National Council for Ethnic and Integration Issues
- Mr Petre Florin Manole, Minister of Labour, Family, Youth & Social Solidarity, Romania
- Mr Hristo Petrov, Member of the European Parliament
- Ms Sirpa Rautio, Director of the EU Agency for Fundamental Rights

10.30-11.00     *Coffee break*

11.00-13.00     **Parallel participatory workshops**

- Theme A: Horizontal objectives of the EU Roma Strategic Framework:
  - Workshop 1: Fighting and preventing antigypsyism and discrimination
  - Workshop 2: Reducing poverty and social exclusion
  - Workshop 3: Promoting participation
- Theme B: Sectoral objectives of the EU Roma Strategic Framework:
  - Workshop 4: Increasing equal access to education
  - Workshop 5: Increasing equal access to employment
  - Workshop 6: Increasing equal access to healthcare and social services
  - Workshop 7: Increasing equal access to desegregated housing and essential services

13.00-14.15     *Lunch*

- 14.15- 15.30      **Promoting Roma equality, inclusion and participation – progress achieved and remaining challenges** (*plenary*)
- Rapporteur from workshop 1- Equality- Ms Anna Mirga (ERIAC)
  - Rapporteur from workshop 2-Inclusion- Ms Kristiana Stoyanova (Eurochild)
  - Rapporteur from workshop 3-Participation- Ms Gabriela Hrabánová (ERGO Network)
  - Ms Lucie Fukova, Government's Commissioner for Roma minority Affairs, Czechia
  - Mr Georgios Stamatis, General Rapporteur on Roma and Travellers, Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE)
  - Mr Szabolcs Schmidt, Head of Unit, Non-discrimination: Anti-racism and Roma coordination (D2), Directorate-General for Justice and Consumers, European Commission
- 15:30-16.00      *Coffee break*
- 16:00 –17:15      **Improving Roma access to education, employment, healthcare and housing – progress achieved and remaining challenges** (*plenary*)
- Rapporteur from workshop 4-Education- Mr Stanislav Daniel (Roma Education Fund Slovakia)
  - Rapporteur from workshop 5-Employment- Ms Veronika Miškech Fričová (Karpatian Foundation, Slovakia)
  - Rapporteur from workshop 6- Health- Ms Carmen Herrador (FAKALI Roma women NGO, Spain)
  - Rapporteur from workshop 7-Housing- Mr Gabor Daroczi (Habitat for Humanity)
  - Ms Ina Majko, Deputy Minister of Health and Social Protection, Albania
  - Mr Christoph Nerlich, Head of Unit, ESF and FEAD: policy and legislation (G1), Directorate-General for Employment, Social Affairs and Inclusion, European Commission
- 17:15 -17:45      **Political conclusions**
- Video message by Ms Roxana Mînzatu, Executive Vice-President, Social Rights and Skills, Quality Jobs and Preparedness, European Commission
  - Mr Attila Sztojka, State Secretary for Social Opportunities and Roma Relations, Hungary
  - Mr Dorde Jovanovic, President of the European Roma Rights Centre (ERRC)
- 17:45 – 19:00      *Dinner*
- 19:45              Launching of the Romagic exhibition by ERRC  
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