



"Combating racial discrimination and intolerance in Montenegro" Round Table

organised by ECRI in co-operation with the Protector of Human Rights and Freedoms

Podgorica, 7 October 2013

Apart Hotel Premier

PROGRAMME

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS: 8:30 - 9:00

9:00 – 9:30 **OPENING**

Statements

- Ranko Krivokapić, Speaker of the Parliament
- Suad Numanović, Minister for Human and Minority Rights
- Eva Smith, Chair of ECRI
- Šućko Baković, Protector of Human Rights and Freedoms

SESSION I - ECRI'S REPORT ON MONTENEGRO

Chair: Šućko Baković, Protector of Human Rights and Freedoms

9:30 – 9:50	ECRI's Report: main recommendations Baldur Kristjansson, ECRI member, and Eva Smith, Chair of ECRI
9:50 – 10:10	Measures to follow up on ECRI's recommendations Blanka Radošević Marović Deputy Minister for Human and Minority Rights
10:10 – 10:30	Discussion
10:30 – 10:45	Coffee break

SESSION II – LEGISLATIVE AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR COMBATING RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION

Chair: Siniša Bjeković, ECRI member

10:45 - 11:00 European standards: Case law of the European Court of Human Rights and ECRI's General Policy Recommendation No. 7 Dejan Palić, ECRI member 11:00 –11:45 Challenges in the application of the Law on Prohibition of Discrimination: Role of the Protector of Human Rights and Freedoms and other mechanisms of protection against discrimination • Judicial protection against discrimination • Dealing with misdemeanour Panellists: Marijana Laković, Deputy Ombudsman, Office of the Protector of Human Rights and Freedoms • Miodrag Pesic, judge of the First instance Court in

 Podgorica, Member of the Judicial Council
 Snezana Jonica, member of Parliament, Committee for Human Rights

• Tea Gorjanc Prelević, Human Rights Action

11:45– 12:45 Discussion

13:00 – 14:00 Lunch break: open buffet offered by the Chair of ECRI

SESSION III – INTEGRATION OF ROMA (panel discussion)

Chair: Ana Vukadinovic, Permanent Representative of Montenegro to the Council of Europe

14:00 - 15:15

- Implementation of the RAE Strategy
- How to improve access of Roma to education, housing, employment and health
- Overcoming barriers for providing identity documents to Roma
- Developments concerning the closure of Konik camp

Panellists:

- Sabahudin Delić, National Coordinator for Roma issues, Ministry for Human and Minority Rights
- Snezana Mijušković, Municipality of Podgorica
- Zeljko Sofranac, Director, Government Bureau for the Care of Refugees
- Indu Mohandas, UNHCR Representative UNHCR Representation in Montenegro
- Dawn Adie-Baird, Deputy Head of Operations Delegation of the European Union to Montenegro
- Biljana Alković, Institute for Social Inclusion
- Fatima Naza, Center for Roma Initiatives

15:15 – 16:15	Contributions and questions from the floor
16:15 – 16:30	Coffee break
16:40 – 17:00	CONCLUSIONS Wrap-up and concrete steps for action Eva Smith, Chair of ECRI