



United for Dignity

Conference on the specific situation of Roma young people
affected by multiple discrimination

24 – 26 June 2014, European Youth Centre Strasbourg

Information Pack

Organised in co-operation by the Youth Department, the Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity Unit and the Support Team of the Special Representative of the Secretary General for Roma Issues of the Council of Europe

Preparing yourself for the conference

In view of the conference, you are asked to:

- ✓ Prepare yourself so as to be ready to explain your and your organisation's work to the other participants as well as discuss multiple discrimination on the basis of your experience and your community context. Please do not prepare a PowerPoint presentation, it is better to be ready to talk about what you do.
- ✓ Check if your country legislation has any specific provisions about multiple discrimination and how discrimination is dealt with on the national level
- ✓ Bring with you any information you consider relevant related to the situation of Roma young people and multiple discrimination
- ✓ Read the draft study on multiple discrimination. The study will be sent to you one week in advance to the Conference.
- ✓ Discuss possible follow-up within your organisation, so that you can use the time during the conference as well as possible.

Workshop choice

During the second day of the conference, participants will join one workshop among several, in order to discuss the specific situation of:

- ✓ Roma young women
- ✓ Roma young LGBT
- ✓ Roma young migrants
- ✓ "Open" group, which can be proposed by participants themselves.

You are asked to make a choice before the Conference regarding the workshop you would like to be part of.

In the workshops, participants will map initiatives related to combating multiple discrimination affecting that particular target group, and make proposals for future work and actions to better respond to the challenges posed by multiple discrimination.

In view of the conference, you are asked to click on the following link and choose 2 workshops, in order of priority, where you are interested to participate. You can also propose another workshop, but keep in mind we want to look at the specificities of multiple discrimination when it affects a group, so you should clearly mention which group you want to work on. Here's the link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1wKGsINs9cAzpoLh3UKw0qiPE5wCiDAhbFx9NUMDFK7I/v
iewform?usp=send_form](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1wKGsINs9cAzpoLh3UKw0qiPE5wCiDAhbFx9NUMDFK7I/viewform?usp=send_form)

What to bring with you

- ✓ PROOF OF ALL THE TRAVEL EXPENSES and visa costs you wish to reclaim. If you come by plane, please be sure to bring evidence of the sum actually paid (invoice, copy of credit card slip and boarding pass, Electronic tickets will only be considered as acceptable on proof of payment (invoice) and on presentation of the boarding pass for the outward journey). Please keep in mind the travel rules of the Council of Europe. If you come by train, please do not forget to buy a return ticket.
- ✓ Your or your organisation's BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS (address of the bank, IBAN number) for the reimbursement of your travel expenses if you wish your travel to be reimbursed by bank transfer.
- ✓ "Standard equipment": An ALARM CLOCK, any DICTIONARIES you might require, COMFORTABLE CLOTHES, etc.

- ✓ Information as mentioned above concerning your organisation and all material mentioned in the preparing for the contents of the conference
- ✓ Optional: Although the European Youth Centre Strasbourg has some computers with internet access you might still consider to bring along your NOTEBOOK in case you have one. A wireless LAN is available in the centre but will not be accessible during working sessions.

Logistics

The seminar will be held at the European Youth Centre Strasbourg (EYCS), where everyone will also be lodged. This is the address of the EYCS:

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30, rue Pierre de Coubertin
F - 67000 Strasbourg
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Tel: + 33 3 88 41 23 00

You can find the information on how to get to the EYCS here:

http://www.coe.int/t/dg4/youth/EYC/way_to_eyc_en.asp#TopOfPage

If you have any special requirements (mobility, auditory, dietary, allergies, etc.), please inform us immediately by contacting **Nina Kapoor**, nina.kapoor@coe.int

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