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Conference

Economic and social rights for forcibly displaced persons during the conflicts in former Yugoslavia

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Programme

Organised by the Department of the European Social Charter of the Council of Europe (CoE) with a focus on Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro, Serbia, “the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia” and Kosovo*.

* All references to Kosovo, whether the territory, institutions or population, in this text shall be understood in full compliance with United Nation's Security Council Resolution 1244 and without prejudice to the status of Kosovo.

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Addressing the challenges

09:00 – 09:30	Registration and welcome coffee
09:00 – 09:30	Press briefing
09:30 – 09:50	<p>Opening Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Predrag Jović, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Ambassador Drahoslav Štefánek, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Bosnia and Herzegovina
09:50 – 10:00	<p>Observations by Special guest Anne-Christine Eriksson, UNHCR Regional Representative for South Eastern Europe</p>
10:00 – 11:15	<p>Session 1: Regional challenges in implementing economic and social rights agreed within the Sarajevo Declaration Process <i>Moderator: Ms Dragana Bojović, Adviser to the Deputy Minister Predrag Jović, Ministry for human rights and refugees</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Keynote Speaker: Chaloka Beyani, Associate Professor of International Law, London School of Economics (LSE)/ former UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons – Marja Seppälä, Regional Housing Programme Coordinator and Head of RHP Secretariat, Council of Europe Development Bank – Dejan Kladarin, Senior Protection Officer, UNHCR Representation in Skopje – Danilo Ćurčić, Legal Advisor, Lawyers' Committee for Human Rights (YUCOM), Serbia
11:15 – 11:30	Coffee Break
11:30 – 13:00	<p>Session 1: Regional challenges in implementing economic and social rights agreed within the Sarajevo Declaration Process (continuing)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Round table with scheduled observations by representatives of the authorities of Bosnia and Herzegovina, Croatia, Montenegro and "the

	<p>former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Plenary discussion
13.00 – 14.30	Lunch (at the Parliament building)
14:30 – 15:45	<p>Session 2: The European Social Charter as a tool for the protection of social and economic rights <i>Moderator: Gert Westerveen, UNHCR Representative to the European Institutions in Strasbourg</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The European Social Charter, a tool for the protection and implementation of social rights <p>Régis Brillat, Head of the European Social Charter Department/Executive Secretary of the European Committee of Social Rights, Council of Europe</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The Reporting procedure under the European Social Charter and key annual conclusions by the European Committee of Social Rights which are of interest to forcibly displaced persons <p>Karin Lukas, Vice-President of the European Committee of Social Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The Collective Complaints procedure as a tool in addressing violations of rights and the role of INGOs <p>Jarna Petman, Former member of the European Committee of Social Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Plenary discussion
15:45 – 16:15	Coffee break
16:15 – 17:30	<p>Round table of Ombudspersons or representatives of the Ombudspersons of the region: improvement of living conditions of displaced persons <i>Moderator: Chaloka Beyani, Associate Professor of International Law, London School of Economics (LSE)/ former UN Special Rapporteur on the Human Rights of Internally Displaced Persons</i></p>
19:30 – 21:30	Dinner at restaurant BOSS, Sarajevo

09:15 – 10:15	<p>Session 1: How to implement economic and social rights in post-conflict situations? Regional Programmes and successful experiences <i>Moderator: Karin Lukas, Vice-President of the European Committee of Social Rights</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The role of social workers in post-conflict situations <p>John Richards, Services Development Manager, Isle of Man Government</p> <p>Daria Terrádez Salom, Director General of the Relations with the EU and with the State, Generalitat of Valencia, Spain</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Plenary discussion
10:15 – 10:45	Coffee Break
10:45 – 12:15	<p>Session 2: Bringing cases before national courts and lodging complaints before the European Committee of Social Rights and applications before the European Court of Human Rights <i>Moderator: Emir Prcanović, Executive director of the Association “Vaša prava Bosnia and Herzegovina”</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Key decisions and conclusions by the European Committee of Social Rights which are of interest to internally displaced persons <p>Jarna Petman, Former member of the European Committee of Social Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Selected case-law of the European Court of Human Rights which is of interest to internally displaced persons <p>Kresimir Kamber, Lawyer at the European Court of Human Rights</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Plenary discussion
12:15 – 13:00	<p>Conclusions and Wrap-Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Predrag Jović, Deputy Minister, Minister of Human Rights and Refugees of Bosnia and Herzegovina – Gert Westerveen, UNHCR Representative to the European Institutions in Strasbourg – Régis Brillat, Head of the European Social Charter Department/Executive Secretary of the European Committee of Social Rights, Council of Europe