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ECRI's Round Table in Denmark

Society of Danish Engineers Conference Center
Copenhagen, 10 October 2006

PROGRAMME

REGISTRATION: 8:45

Moderator of the morning session: Mr Morten KJÆRUM, Executive Director of the Danish Institute for Human Rights

9:00 – 9:15

OPENING

- Welcome by Professor Eva SMITH, Chair of ECRI
- Opening Address by Ms Rikke HVILSHØJ, Minister of Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs

9:15 – 10:30	THEME I – ECRI'S REPORT ON DENMARK
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9:15 – 9:25

Introduction to ECRI's work by Professor Eva SMITH, Chair of ECRI

9:25 – 9:45

Conclusions to be drawn from ECRI's Report on Denmark by Professor Lauri HANNIKAINEN, member of ECRI

9:45 – 10:30

Discussion: open to the floor

10:30 – 10:45

Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:30	THEME II – RACISM AND XENOPHOBIA IN POLITICAL AND PUBLIC DISCOURSE
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10:45 – 11:00

The use of racist, antisemitic and xenophobic arguments in political discourse – the European perspective, by Ms Isil GACHET, Executive Secretary to ECRI

11:00 – 11:15

The climate of opinion with regard to minority groups in Denmark, by Professor Ole ESPERSEN, Chairman of the Helsinki Committee for Human Rights

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11:15 – 11:30	Responding to hate speech and racist and xenophobic attacks: the role of the criminal justice system, by Ms Hanne SCHMIDT, Deputy Director, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions
11:30 – 12:30	Discussion: open to the floor
12:30 – 2:00	Lunch break

Moderator of the afternoon session: Professor Eva SMITH, Chair of ECRI

2:00 – 3:30 THEME III – THE FIGHT FOR EQUALITY – IMPLEMENTING ANTI-DISCRIMINATION LAWS

2:00 – 2:15	ECRI's General Policy Recommendation No.7 on national legislation to combat racism and racial discrimination, by Ms Aline USANASE, member of ECRI's Secretariat
2:15 - 2:30	The legislative and institutional framework for combating racism and racial discrimination in Denmark, by Mr Eddie O. R. KHAWAJA, Head of the Secretariat of the Complaints Committee for Ethnic Equal Treatment, Danish Institute for Human Rights
2:30 – 2:45	Legal remedies for victims of racism and racial discrimination in Denmark, by Mr Henrik Karl NIELSON, lawyer specialised in anti-discrimination law
2:45 – 3:30	Discussion: open to the floor
3:30 – 3:45	Coffee Break

3:45 – 5:30 THEME IV – IMMIGRATION AND INTEGRATION: POLICIES AND PRACTICES

3:45 – 4:00	“A new chance for everyone – the Danish Government's integration plan”, by Mr Claes NILAS, Permanent Secretary, Minister's Office, Ministry of Refugee, Immigration and Integration Affairs
4:00 – 4:15	The situation of immigrants in Denmark, by Professor Ulf RIBER HEDETOFT, Director of the Academy for Migration Studies in Denmark (AMID), Aalborg University
4:15 – 4:30	Practical initiatives for the integration of immigrants and ethnic minorities at the local level, by Ms Mina HARDING IRANZAD, County of Århus

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4:30 – 5:15

Discussion: open to the floor

5:15 – 5:30

Conclusions of the Round Table

- Presentation of the conclusions of the Round Table by the Moderator