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ECRI's Round Table in Ireland

Morrison Hotel
Dublin, 15 November 2007

PROGRAMME

REGISTRATION: 8:45

Moderator of the morning session: Ms Anastasia CRICKLEY, Chairperson of European Union Agency for Fundamental Rights and the National Consultative Committee on Racism and Interculturalism

9:00 – 9:15

OPENING

- Opening by Professor Eva SMITH ASMUSSEN, Chair of ECRI
- Opening Address by Mr Conor LENIHAN, Minister for Integration

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

9:15 – 9:25

Introduction to ECRI's work, by Ms Isil GACHET, Executive Secretary to ECRI

9:25 – 9:45

Conclusions to be drawn from ECRI's Report on Ireland, by Professor Gudrun HOLGERSEN, member of ECRI

9:45 – 10:30

Discussion: open to the floor

10:30 – 10:45

Coffee Break

10:45 – 12:30 THEME II - PROMOTING EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY IN THE WORKPLACE

10:45 – 11:00

The legal and practical framework for combating racism and racial discrimination in the employment sector, by Mr Niall CROWLEY, Chief Executive Officer of the Equality Authority

11:00 – 11:20

Initiatives for promoting equality and diversity in the workplace:

- Ms Heidi LOUGHEED, Irish Business and Employers Confederation (IBEC)
- Mr David JOYCE, Irish Congress of Trade Unions

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11:20 – 11:30	DELL as an example of good practice for promoting equality and diversity in the workplace, by Ms Ingrid DEVIN, DELL
11:30 – 12:30	Discussion: open to the floor
12:30 – 2:00	Lunch break

Moderator of the afternoon session: Dr. Mazhar BARI, member of ECRI
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2:00 – 3:30 THEME III – SAVEGUARDING THE RIGHTS OF THE TRAVELLER COMMUNITY UNDER THE FRAMEWORK CONVENTION FOR THE PROTECTION OF NATIONAL MINORITIES
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2:00 – 2:25	The implementation of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities in Ireland, by Professor Lidija R. BASTA FLEINER, member of the Advisory Committee on the Framework Convention
2:25 - 2:45	Comments on the Advisory Committee's second Opinion and the Committee of Minister's Resolution in respect of Ireland: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Mr Brendan SHEEHY, Diversity and Equality Law Division, Department of Justice, Equality and Law Reform- Ms Ronnie FAY, Director of the Pavee Point Travellers Centre
2:45 – 3:30	Discussion: open to the floor
3:30 – 3:45	Coffee Break

3:45 – 5:15 THEME IV – TOWARDS AN INTEGRATED SOCIETY

3:45– 4:00	Building an integrated society in Ireland, by Mr Philip WATT, Director of the National Consultative Committee on Racism and Interculturalism (NCCRI)
4:00 – 4:15	The participation of minority groups in decision-making and public life in Ireland, by Mr Rotimi ADEBARI, mayor of Portlaoise
4:15 – 5:00	Discussion: open to the floor
5:00 – 5:15	Conclusions of the Round Table <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Presentation of the conclusions of the Round Table by the Moderator