





The Civic Roundtable 2017

Forced migration and asylum: Dynamics and policy responses in Europe and its neighbourhood

Monday 10 July to Tuesday 11 July 2017, Strasbourg Palais de l'Europe, Room 14

PROGRAMME

Monday 10 July 2017	
09:00	Arrival of participants and registration
09:30	Opening of the meeting by Matjaž GRUDEN , Director of Policy Planning, Council of Europe
	Introductory remarks by Tomáš BOČEK, Special Representative of the Secretary General of the Council of Europe on Migration and Refugees
	Introduction round
10:30	Theme 1: The dynamics of forced migration and asylum
	Keynote speech by Kilian KLEINSCHMIDT , Founder and Chairman of <i>Switxboard</i> Global Networking and Humanitarian Expertise, former UNCHR Head of Za'atari Refugee Camp
11:15	Coffee break
11:45	Discussion
12:30	Lunch

14:00 - 17:30	Theme 2: Focused policy responses (Coffee break mid-afternoon)
	Introduction to working groups by Despina SYRRI , Director of the Greek School of Political Studies (Thessaloniki) and Michael REMMERT , Deputy to the Director of Policy Planning and Coordinator of the Network of the Schools of Political Studies, Council of Europe
	Group Work
	 Responses to growing populist rhetoric and action against migrants and refugees in Europe Introduced by: Barbara JOANNON (France) Tomas JUNGWIRTH (Czech Republic)
	2. The role of local authorities and civil society in the reception and integration of refugees at local level Introduced by: Ramiro MUNIZ GARCIA (Spain) Mahmoud ABDELRASOUL (Greece)
	 Unaccompanied and separated asylum-seeking and refugee children and family reunification Introduced by: Somita SABETI (Sweden) Jelena HRNJAK (Serbia)
	 Setting-up a CoE 'Academy for Democratic Leadership' for persons with a refugee background Introduced by: Despina SYRRI (Greece) Claudia MÜLLER (Austria)
20:00	Dinner (Au Pont Saint Martin, 15 rue des Moulins, Strasbourg)

Tuesday 11 July 2017	
09:30	Theme 3: Towards a coherent international policy response to forced migration and asylum
	Keynote speech by Guilia LAGANÀ , Senior Policy Analyst, EU Migration and Asylum Policies, Open Society European Policy Institute
	Discussion
11:00	Coffee Break
11:30	Feedback from working groups Panelists: Group rapporteurs
12:15	Final discussion and tentative conclusions
13:00 - 13:15	Concluding remarks by Matjaž GRUDEN