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MINISTRY OF JUSTICE
REPUBLIC OF MOLDOVA



COUNCIL ON THE PREVENTION
AND ELIMINATION OF DISCRIMINATION
AND ENSURING EQUALITY

“Combating racial discrimination and intolerance in the Republic of Moldova”

Round Table

**organised by ECRI in co-operation with
the Ministry of Justice and
the Council on the Prevention and Elimination of
Discrimination and Ensuring Equality of the Republic of
Moldova**

30 September 2014
Codru Hotel, Chisinau

PROGRAMME

REGISTRATION OF PARTICIPANTS: 8:30 – 9:00

9:00 – 9:20

OPENING

Statements

Oleg Efrim, Minister of Justice

Barbara John, ECRI's Vice-Chair

Andrei Brighidin, Member of the Council on the Prevention

and

Elimination of Discrimination and Ensuring Equality of the
Republic of Moldova

SESSION I – ECRI'S REPORT ON MOLDOVA

Chair: Corina Călugăru, Head of Global Affairs and Human Rights Division, Ministry
of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
Republic of Moldova

9:20 – 9:40

ECRI's Report: main recommendations

François Sant'Angelo, ECRI member

9:40 – 10:10

Measures to follow up on ECRI's recommendations

Oleg Efrim, Minister of Justice

Serghei Diaconu, Deputy Minister of the Interior

Elena Beleacova, Director, Bureau of Interethnic Relations

10:10 – 10:30

Discussion with contributions from the floor

10:30 – 10:50

Coffee break

**SESSION II – LEGISLATIVE AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR
COMBATING RACISM AND RACIAL DISCRIMINATION**

**Chair: Doina Ioana Straisteanu,
Council on the Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination and Ensuring
Equality of the Republic of Moldova**

10:50 – 11:00

**European standards:
Protocol No. 12 to the European Convention on Human
Rights (ECHR) and ECRI's General Policy Recommendations
No. 2 and 7**
Stefano Valenti, ECRI's Secretariat

11:00 – 11:20

Ratification of Protocol No. 12 to the ECHR
Stella Jantuan, Deputy Head of the Parliamentary Committee for
Human Rights and Interethnic Relations
Lilian Apostol, Government Agent to the European Court of
Human Rights, Ministry of Justice

11:20 – 11:50

**Role, effectiveness and visibility of the Council on the
Prevention and Elimination of Discrimination and
Ensuring Equality**
Lucia Gavrililiță, member of the Council on the Prevention and
Elimination of Discrimination and Ensuring Equality
Teodor Cîrnaț, member of the Supreme Judicial Council
Ana Furtună, Anti-discrimination Coalition

11:50 – 12:45

Discussion with contributions from the floor

12:45 – 14:00

Buffet lunch hosted by ECRI

SESSION III – COMBATING HATE SPEECH

Chair: Barbara John, ECRI's Vice-Chair

14:00 – 14:40

Combating hate speech: political discourse and the role of the media

Panellists:

Chiril Lucinschi, Chair of the Parliamentary Commission on culture, education, research, youth, sports and media

Mariana Onceanu-Hadârcă, member of the Broadcasting Coordination Council

Ludmila Andronic, Chair of the Press Council
Petru Macovei, Association of Independent Press

14:40 – 15:15

Discussion with contributions from the floor

15:15 – 15:30

Coffee break

SESSION IV – INTEGRATION OF ROMA

**Chair: Ruslan Stanga,
Senior State Advisor to the Prime Minister on social development issues
Republic of Moldova**

15:30 – 16:15

How to improve access of Roma to education, housing, employment and health

Gheorghe Țurcanu, Deputy Minister of Labour, Social Protection and Family

Representative of the Ministry of Education (tbc)

Ciocanu Mihai, Deputy Minister of Health

Valeriu Căldăraru, President of National Association of Roma Community Mediators in Moldova

Overcoming barriers to providing identity documents to Roma

Lucia Ciobanu, Civil Status Service, Ministry of Justice

Veaceslav Sturzu, Head of Section, Ministry of Information Technology and Communications

16:15 – 16:40

Discussion with contributions from the floor

16:40 – 17:00

CONCLUSIONS

Wrap-up and concrete steps for action

François Sant'Angelo, ECRI member

Oleg Efrim, Minister of Justice