



Ceremony on the occasion of the International  
Day for the Eradication of Poverty (17 October)  
&  
European Anti-Trafficking Day (18 October)

**Precariousness or slavery, it's not a job!  
Is decent and freely undertaken work for ALL possible?**

18 October 2021, 12h30 – 13h15, lower forecourt of the Palais de l'Europe

**Programme**

*The ceremony will be opened and moderated by Gerhard ERMISCHER, President of the Conference of INGOs ('3)*

*The voices of persons who have been victims of trafficking or whose rights to decent work have been denied ('10)*

*First song by the Council of Europe Amicale choir*

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Addresses by ('3 each)

- Ms Marija PEJČINOVIĆ BURIC, Secretary General of the Council of Europe
- Mr Harry Alex RUSZ, Chairman of the Ministers' Deputies of the Council of Europe, Ambassador Extraordinary and Plenipotentiary, Permanent Representative of Hungary to the Council of Europe
- Mr Leendert VERBEEK, President of the Congress of Local and Regional Authorities of the Council of Europe
- Mr Robert SPANO, President of the European Court of Human Rights
- Ms Carole ZIELINSKI, Deputy Mayor of Strasbourg
- Ms Eliane CHEMLA, Vice-President of the Council of Europe European Committee of Social Rights

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*The reading of the memorial slab in French and English and a minute's silence to the memory of the victims of extreme poverty and trafficking*

*European anthem by the Council of Europe Amicale choir*

*End of the ceremony*