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International Day for the Eradication of Poverty

Civil society tackling child poverty in Europe

Strasbourg, 16 October 2015, Agora, Room G02

with the participation of Ms Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni

Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe

Programme

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8.45 am	Welcome of participants ^{1 2}
9-9.45 am	Opening and introductory addresses Anna Rurka , President of the Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe Gabriella Battaini-Dragoni , Deputy Secretary General of the Council of Europe Giuseppe Palmisano , President of the European Committee of Social Rights
9.45-10.15 am	Council of Europe Strategy on the Rights of the Child Agnes von Maravić , Programme Officer, Children's Rights Division, Directorate General of Democracy Discussion with participants

¹ Prior individual registration by email to maritchurall@noos.fr by 13 October at the latest is compulsory for badge access.

² Documents for participants to consult or take with them will be available on desks at the room entrance.

- 10.15-11.15 am Panel 1: **Impact of poverty on children and their health**
- Enfants d'Europe, Le Furet, Marie-Nicole Rubio*, Raising awareness of poverty and exclusion among professionals working with young children
- Médecins du Monde, Martine Schmelck*, Poverty: consequences for children's health
- International Association of Charities (AIC), **Maritchu Rall**, Malnutrition, case study from Spain
- Discussion with participants
- 11.15 am-12 noon Panel 2: **Impact of poverty on schooling and access to culture**
- International Movement ATD Fourth World, **Dominique Destouches**, "Successful schooling for everyone"
- Discussion with participants
- 12.30-1.15 pm **Commemorative ceremony on the eve of International Day for the Eradication of Poverty**, forecourt of the Palais de l'Europe, around the stone commemorating the victims of hunger, ignorance and violence:
- eyewitness accounts by children** (*Regards d'enfants* association) in the presence of:
- Ambassador Astrid Helle**, Permanent Representative of Norway to the Council of Europe, President of the Rapporteur Group on Democracy
- Marie-Dominique Dreysse**, Deputy to the Mayor in charge of territorial social action for the City of Strasbourg
- Claudia Luciani**, Director of the Democratic Governance Directorate, Directorate General of Democracy of the Council of Europe
- 1.15-2.30 pm Visit to the Caritas Europa exhibition,³ **Voices of Children in Poverty**, Palais de l'Europe entrance hall
- Lunch break (participants to make own arrangements)

³ Exhibition staged from 25 September to 19 October

2.30-3.30 pm

Panel 3: **The lives of children and young people**

International Federation for Therapy and Assistance through Mediation (FITRAM) / *Evidence* association and *Lianes* association
Patricia Arnoux, Evelyne Maréchal Presentation and video projection,
Animal mediation in relations between children in precarious situations and institutions.

Instituto de Apaio a Crianca (IAC), **Paula Paço**, “Building together: parents, educators, children...”

Le Foyer de l'enfance, **Ryszard Apolinary Michalak**, Experience with teenagers living on the street

Eurochild, **Luca Merotta**, Realising children's rights through empowering parents and families

Discussion with participants

3.30-4.30 pm

Panel 4: **Support for children**

Thémis association, **Josiane Bigot**, Putting the views of children from poor families across in the justice system

Strasbourg School of Social Work (ESTES), **Guillaume Joseph**,
Developments in social worker training in response to the issues of poverty and exclusion

European Social Action Network (ESAN), *Mouvement Copains du monde*, **René Ledermann**, “Holidays building futures”

Discussion with participants

4.30-5 pm

Conclusions

Caritas Europa, **Peter Verhaeghe**, The 10 recommendations on combating child poverty drawn up within the EU

Conference of INGOs of the Council of Europe, **Anna Rurka**,
Conclusions and tying in with the Conference action plan