



**MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF THE LITHUANIAN GOVERNMENT
ON PROVISIONS OF THE REVISED EUROPEAN SOCIAL CHARTER
NOT ACCEPTED BY LITHUANIA
and
CELEBRATION OF THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF
EUROPEAN SOCIAL CHARTER AND 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF
IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CHARTER IN LITHUANIA**

Vilnius, 21th June (Tuesday) 2011 m.

PROGRAMME

Meeting on provisions of the European social charter not accepted by Lithuania: 8.30 - 13.30

Ministry of Social Security and Labour, A.Vivulskio str. 11 -201, Vilnius

8.30 - 8.40 OPENING REMARKS

Ms Audra Mikalauskaitė, Vice Minister of the Ministry of Social Security and Labour

8.40 - 9.30 EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON NON-ACCEPTED PROVISIONS:

Article 12§2: Right to Social Security-maintaining the social security system at a satisfactory level at least equal to that necessary for the ratification of the European Code of Social Security

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 13§4: Right to Social and Medical Assistance – equal treatment of nationals of other parties

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 18§2: Right to Engage in a Gainful Occupation in the Territory of other Parties – simplification of existing formalities and reduction of dues and taxes

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

9.30 - 10.20 EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON NON-ACCEPTED PROVISIONS:

Article 18§3: Right to engage in a gainful occupation in the territory of other parties-liberalisation of regulations

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 19§2: Right of Migrant Workers – measures to facilitate the departure journey and reception of migrant workers

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 19§4: Right of migrant workers – equal treatment of migrant workers in respect of employment

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

10.20 - 10.40: Coffee Break

10.40 - 11.30 EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON NON-ACCEPTED PROVISIONS:

Article 19§6: Right of Migrant workers – family reunion

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 19§8: Right of Migrant Workers – guarantees concerning deportation

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 19§12: Right of Migrant workers – teaching of migrant workers’ mother tongue

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

11.30 - 12.20 EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON NON-ACCEPTED PROVISIONS:

Article 23: Right of Elderly Persons

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 30: Right to Protection against Poverty and Social Exclusion

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

Article 31§3: Right to Housing – accessible housing for those without adequate resources

Consideration of Lithuanian situation, ECSR conclusion

12.20 - 12.30 CONCLUDING REMARKS

Celebration of the 50th and 10th anniversaries of European social charter 15.00- 17.00

Seimas (Parliament) of the Republic of Lithuania, Gedimino ave. 53, I - Constitution's hall

14.20 Leaving hotel Ratonda

15.00 - 15.30 OPENING CEREMONY, Statements by:

Mr Donatas Jankauskas, Minister of Social Security and Labour

Ms Irena Degutienė, Speaker of the Seimas (Minister of Social Security and Labour at the time of signing of the Charter)

Ms Csilla Kollonay Lehoczky, Member of the European Committee of Social Rights

Mr Rimantas Jonas Dagys, Chairman of Seimas' Committee on Social Affairs and Labour

Mr Arminas Lydeka, Chairman of Seimas' Committee on Human Rights

15.30 - 16.30 Overview of implementation of European social charter in Lithuania

Preparation for the signing of the revised European social charter

Ms Elvyra Baltutytė, Government Representative at European Court of Human Rights

First steps implementing the revised European social charter

Mr Povilas Vytautas Žiūkas, Doctor of Social Sciences, former Member of the Governmental Committee of the European Social Charter

Relevant issues implementing the revised European social charter

Ms K. Vyšniauskaitė-Radinskienė, Chief Specialist of International Law Division at MSSSL, Member of the Governmental Committee of the European Social Charter

European social charter and a New Strategy for social cohesion of Council of Europe

Ms Rita Skrebiškienė, Director of International Affairs Department at MSSSL, Member of the Bureau of the European Committee for Social Cohesion

16.30 - 17.00 Discussions, CLOSING CEREMONY