

Migration and Housing Rights in Europe

Housing Rights Watch conference

The Hague University 19th May 2011



DRAFT PROGRAMME

09:30 – 10:00 Registration

10:00 – 10:15 Welcome speeches

- **Tim van Tongeren**, Director of the Academy of Public Management, Safety and Law, The Hague University
- **René Kneip**, President of FEANTSA
- **Johan Gortworst**, Executive Director of Federatie Opvang

10.15 – 11.30 Keynote speeches (Interpretation French/English)

- **Prof. Dr. Polonca Končar**, professor at the University of Ljubljana, Faculty of Law, The contribution of the ESC and its collective complaints mechanism to the effective application of social rights in Europe
- **Dr. Padraic Kenna**, National University of Ireland, Social rights in the case law of the European Court of Justice and the impact of the EU Fundamental Rights Charter
- **Don Flynn**, Migrant Rights Network, Reflections on Migration and Housing Rights

11:30 – 12:00 Coffee break

12.00 – 13.30 Morning workshops

WORKSHOP 1A: FREE MOVEMENT AND HOUSING RIGHTS IN THE EU

Interpretation French/English

- **John Handoll**, William Fry, Ireland
- **Ioana-Dana Iepure**, European Roma Rights Centre
- **Frédérique Penot Paoli**, Barrister at Lyon Bar

WORKSHOP 1B: HOUSING RIGHTS OF MIGRANT WOMEN AND CHILDREN

- **Carla van Os**, Defense for Children International Netherlands
- **Rosa Logar**, Women Against Violence in Europe
- **Charlotte O'Brien**, University of York, Law School

WORKSHOP 1C: HOUSING RIGHTS OF UNDOCUMENTED MIGRANTS

- **Michele LeVoy**, Platform for International Cooperation on Undocumented Migrants
- **Anne Weber**, Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights, Council Of Europe
- **Rian Ederveen**, Stichting Los, the Netherlands

13:30 – 14:30 Lunch break

14.30-16.00 Afternoon workshops

WORKSHOP 2A: LOCAL CONNECTION CRITERIA IN ACCESSING HOUSING RIGHTS

- **Henk Visser**, Municipal Health Service, City of Rotterdam
- **Geert Inslegers**, VOB, Belgium

WORKSHOP 2B: HOUSING RIGHTS OF ASYLUM-SEEKERS

Interpretation French/English

- **Marie Noelle Fréry**, Barrister at Lyon Bar
- **Pieter Spinnewijn**, Federal Agency for the Reception of Asylum-seekers, Belgium

16.00 - 16.15 Coffee break

16.15 – 17.00 Feedback from workshops and concluding remarks by Freek Spinnewijn, Director of FEANTSA

17.00 Reception

17.30 - 18.30 SIDE EVENT: PUBLIC INTEREST LAW NETWORK MEETING WITH HOUSING RIGHTS WATCH

The aim of the meeting is to bring together law firms and Housing Rights Watch correspondents and establish co-operation on housing rights.