



Follow-up meeting to the 4th opinion by the Advisory Committee on Ireland

7 December 2021, 9.00-12.30, (Irish Time) Online

Agenda

Welcome address – 2 minutes

- Carol Baxter Assistant Secretary
Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth (DCEDIY)

Opening remarks – 15 minutes

- Marie Hagsgård, Chair of the ACFC, member in respect of Sweden
- Martin Collins, member in respect to Ireland
- Meyeti Payet, secretariat member to the ACFC

Session I – Implementation of the National Traveller and Roma Inclusion Strategy (NTRIS) – 1h30 minutes

Themes based on the recommendations of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe:

Development of the new Ireland National Traveller and Roma Integration Strategy– 2021-2030

- Updates on the review of NTRIS and next steps. - Carol Baxter (5 min)
- Address by Anastasia Crickley former member of FCNM for Ireland and former member of CERD (3 mins)
- Access to health care, development of a National Traveller Health Action Plan
- Access to accommodation, Implementation of the Traveller Accommodation Programme
- Development of a National Traveller Education Strategy, curricula and teaching materials providing knowledge on Travellers

Moderator: Marie Hagsgård, Chair of the ACFC, member in respect of Sweden

1st Panel – Health-related issues – 30 minutes

- Joint Presentation by Jim Walsh, Department of Health and Joe Doyle, Health Service Executive - Irish authorities representatives
- Joint Presentation by Mary Brigid McCann and Lynsey Kavanagh – Pavee Point -Traveller representatives

2nd Panel – Accommodation issues – 30 minutes

- Presentation by Patrick O’Sullivan, Department of Housing Planning & Local Government - Irish authorities representative
- Presentation by Bernard Joyce, Irish Traveller Movement (ITM) - Traveller representative

3rd Panel – Education and Curricula – 30 minutes

- Joint Presentation by Mary Cregg, Department of Education and Enda Hughes, Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation & Science - Irish authorities representatives
- Presentation by Marie Joyce, Irish Traveller Women’s Forum (ITWF) - Traveller representative

10-minute break

Session II – Improving access to justice for Irish Travellers – 30 minutes

Theme based on the recommendations of the Committee of Ministers of the Council of Europe:

- *Discrimination in access to “licensed premises”*

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- Presentation by Deaglán Ó Briain, Department of Justice - Irish authorities representative
- Presentation by Kathleen Sherlock, Minceirs Whiden (Cant for Travellers talking) - Traveller representative

10-minute break

Conclusions – 30 minutes

- Conclusions by Marie Hagsgård - Chair of the ACFC, member in respect of Sweden
- Conclusions by Maria Joyce - Irish Traveller Women’s Forum (ITWF) - Traveller representative
- Conclusion by Martin Collins - Member of the FCNM Advisory Committee
- Conclusions by Janet Lacey – Department of Children, Equality, Disability, Integration & Youth (DCEDIY) - Irish authorities representative