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**6th meeting of the Council of Europe
dialogue with Roma and traveller civil society**

*Strasbourg, 15-16 October 2018
Room G.01, AGORA*

**civil society assessment of the implementation of the council of europe
thematic action plan on the inclusion of roma and travellers (2016-2019)**

DRAFT AGENDA

Monday, 15 October 2018

08.45 - 09.30

Registration of participants

09.30-10.00

Welcome and Opening Addresses

Chair: **Tatjana Andjelić**, Chair of the Ad hoc Committee of Experts on Roma and Traveller Issues (CAHROM)

- **Ambassador Gilles Heyvaert**, Permanent Representative of Belgium to the Council of Europe, Chair of the Committee of Ministers' Rapporteur Group on Social and Health Questions (GR-SOC)
- **Miranda Vuolasranta**, President of the **European Roma and Travellers Forum (ERTF)**
- **Thorsten Afflerbach**, Head of Division, Roma and Travellers Team, Directorate of Anti-Discrimination, DGII Directorate General of Democracy, Council of Europe

10.00 – 10.30

PLENARY SESSION 1: Setting the scene

Reference Documents

[Council of Europe Thematic Action Plan on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers \(2016-2019\)](#)

[First Progress report](#) on Implementing the Thematic Action Plan on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers (2016-2019)

[Second Progress report](#) on Implementing the Thematic Action Plan on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers (2016-2019)

The Thematic Action Plan (TAP) provides the framework for Council of Europe action on Roma and Traveller inclusion in the years 2016 to 2019. It also aims to offer targeted support to member states on relevant inclusion policies and to implement result- oriented projects with a concrete impact.

- [Council of Europe Thematic Action Plan on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers \(2016-2019\)](#): **Presentation, Implementation, Assessment and the way forward** by **Thorsten Afflerbach**, Head of Division, Roma and Travellers Team, Directorate of Anti-Discrimination, Directorate General of Democracy, Council of Europe

Discussion

10.30 – 10.50

Tea/Coffee break

10.50 – 13.00

Questions for discussion

To what extent have the objectives and the actions of the Thematic Action Plan been relevant for 2016-2018?

To what extent have the objectives of the Thematic Action Plan been achieved 2016-2018?

What tangible results/changes as a result of the Thematic Action Plan have you noticed?

To what extent did the programme reach the target stakeholders and beneficiaries?

Have the actions proposed under the Thematic Action Plan been relevant to meet the objectives?

To what extent have the changes reported come about thanks to the Thematic Action Plan?

Will the current objectives and actions of the Thematic Action Plan stay relevant after the end of the Plan in 2019?

Building for Success - Parallel Working groups

Expected Outcomes: Participants will examine in small working groups the implementation of the TAP on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers (2016-2019) and identify and propose topics that should be included in the Council of Europe's post-2019 Roma and Traveller agenda, whilst taking into consideration recent developments and political trends in the member states.

- Short presentations of the programmes' progress reports in each thematic working group **by the moderator(s)**
- Discussion

Room B4.04C

WG 1: Education and culture & History and Holocaust

Moderator(s): **Aurora Ailincăi**, Head of Strategic Partnership Unit and **Camille Gangloff**, Inschool Project Manager

Room B6.04C

WG 2: Local Governance

Moderator(s): **Ana Oprisan**, ROMACT Programme manager

Room C3.07C

WG3: Political participation and empowerment

Moderator(s): **Marcos Andrade**, ROMACTED Programme manager

Room B4.06C

WG4: Fighting discrimination/anti-Gypsyism and Access to Justice

Moderator(s): **Michaël Guet**, Head of I-Care Unit and **Michele Bergdoll**, JUSTROM Project Manager

Room B6.06C

WG5: Gender equality, youth & children's rights

Moderator(s): **Valerie Poppe-Muess**, Project Manager and **Denis Durmis**, Roma Youth Action Plan Project Officer

13.00 – 14.30

Lunch break

14.30 – 16.00

Questions for discussion

What would have been useful to address as objectives in the Thematic Action Plan and that might be still relevant after the end of the Plan in 2019?

In your view, are the effects of the Thematic Action Plan likely to last after the end of the Plan in 2019?

What is the most important future goal or priority?

What will be the biggest obstacle in reaching that goal?

How can that obstacle be overcome?

Making Strategic Choices for the Future

Continuation of the working groups

- Review Key Issues and Opportunities
- Identify Areas of Need
- Review the Goals and Objectives of the current Action Plan
- Competitors
- Trends: Pestle (political, economic, social, technological, legal, environmental)

In the same working groups

16.00 – 16.30

Tea/coffee break

16.30 – 17.30

Moving the needle

Preparation of conclusions and recommendations

- Next steps
- Identify and propose additional key stakeholders at national level who could become partners in the implementation of the Thematic Action Plan and help to ensure its sustainability

In the same working groups

17.30

End of the First Working Day

Tuesday, 16 October 2018

09.30 - 11.30

PLENARY SESSION 2: Presentation of the results of the working groups

Moderator(s): **Chrisoula Arcoudis**, Greek national secondment

***Plenary Session Outcomes:** Understanding the magnitude of the issues and interpreting them into concrete priorities is fundamental in any action based agenda. Moderators present the conclusions and recommendations of the workshops and participants will discuss them.*

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- WG 2: Local Governance
- WG3: Political participation and empowerment
- WG4: Fighting discrimination/anti-Gypsyism and Access to Justice
- WG5: Gender equality, youth & children's rights

Discussion

11.30 -12.00

Tea/coffee break

12.00 -12.30

PLENARY SESSION 3: Conclusions

***Plenary Session Outcomes:** The session has the aim of interpreting the outcomes of the Dialogue meeting into a concerted effort of the participants to instigate interest and mobilise actions.*

- **Thorsten Afflerbach**, Head of Division, Roma and Travellers Team, Directorate of Anti-Discrimination, DGII Directorate General of Democracy, Council of Europe
- **Marian Mandache**, Executive Director of Romani CRISS NGO
- **Tatjana Andjelić**, Chair of the Ad hoc Committee of Experts on Roma and Traveller Issues (CAHROM)

12.30

End of the meeting

While focusing on assessing the implementation of the Council of Europe Thematic Action Plan on the Inclusion of Roma and Travellers (2016-2019), this exercise should be also seen in a wider context, taking into account the political, economic and social situation, the following questions should also be taken into consideration:

1. What are the main reasons for the positive changes that occurred 2016-2018?
2. What are the main reasons for the lack of changes between 2016 and 2018?
3. What are the main reasons for the negative changes that occurred 2016-2018?