

HORIZONTAL FACILITY FOR THE WESTERN BALKANS AND TÜRKİYE

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Second Meeting of the Horizontal Facility III Beneficiary Steering Committee

Belgrade, 26 September 2024

Venue: Hotel Crowne Plaza, room Atlantic 2 (Vladimira Popovića 10)

Zoom link

Meeting ID: 820 7182 6006

Passcode: 963763 Hybrid event

Agenda

10:30 - 11.00 Registration of participants in Belgrade/ Testing of VTC platform / Welcome coffee

11:00 – 11:30 Opening of the meeting and update on the implementation of the Horizontal Facility III

Moderator: Janos Babity, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Belgrade

- Tanja Miščević, Minister of European Integration of the Republic of Serbia

- Nicola Bertolini, Head of Cooperation, Delegation of the European Union to Serbia

- Claus Neukirch, Director of Programme Co-ordination, Council of Europe

11:30 - 12:30 Parallel thematic breakout groups - Exchange on the ongoing actions:

Theme 1: Strengthening Justice and Freedom of Expression

Venue: room Atlantic 2

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Rapporteur: Aleksandra Stepanović, Head of Department for Protection of Human Rights of

Persons Deprived of Liberty, Ministry of Justice – Prison Administration

- 1. "Strengthening human rights protection in Serbia" HF11
 - Zorana Jadrijević Mladar, State Attorney Deputy, Government Agent of the Republic of Serbia before the European Court of Human Rights, The State Attorney's Office, The Agency Department Before the European Court of Human Rights
 - Biljana Sladojević Milatović, Project Manager, South-East Europe Unit,
 Cooperation Programmes Division, Council of Europe
- 2. "Enhancing the human rights protection for detained and sentenced persons in Serbia"- HF12
 - Nataša Tanjević, Deputy Protector of Citizens







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- Tanja Rakušić-Hadžić, Head of Cooperation in Police and Deprivation of Liberty Division, Council of Europe (online)
- 3. "Protecting freedom of expression and of the media in Serbia (PRO-FREX-S)" HF42
 - Jelena Kolo Jovanović, Co-ordinator for International Affairs, Regulatory Authority for Electronic Media
 - Alina Tatarenko, Head of Division for Cooperation on Freedom of Expression,
 Council of Europe

Theme 2: Promoting Anti-discrimination and Protection of the Rights of Vulnerable Groups

Venue: room Mediteran

Zoom link

Meeting ID: 847 0396 2007

Passcode: 931052

Moderator: Nadia Ćuk, Deputy Head of the Council of Europe Office in Belgrade

Rapporteur: Nina Mitić, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Human and Minority Rights and Social

Dialogue

- 1. "Combating discrimination and promoting diversity in Serbia" HF30
 - Jelena Kotević, Head of Cooperation and EU integration Section, Commissioner for Protection of Equality
 - Thorsten Afflerbach, Head of Division, Inclusion and Anti-discrimination Programmes, Council of Europe
- 2. "Strengthening anti-trafficking action in Serbia" HF31
 - Nenad Simić, National Anti-trafficking Co-ordinator and Head of the National Anti-trafficking Co-ordination Office, Ministry of the Interior
 - Milan Aleksić, NGO Atina
 - Monica Petrovici, Project Manager, Anti-trafficking Division, Council of Europe
- 3. "Quality education for all Serbia" HF32
 - Snežana Vuković, Head of Group for Minority Education, Social Inclusion and Protection Against Violence and Discrimination, Ministry of Education
 - Vesna Atanasova, Head of Unit, Division of Formal and Non-Formal Education, Education Department, Council of Europe

12:30 - 13:00 Coffee break

13:00– 13:45 Conclusions of the parallel workshops and recommendations

Moderator: Nadia Ćuk, Deputy Head of the Council of Europe Office in Belgrade

- Reports from the parallel workshops (Rapporteurs)
 - Aleksandra Stepanović, Head of Department for Protection of Human Rights of Persons Deprived of Liberty, Ministry of Justice – Prison Administration









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- Nina Mitić, Assistant Minister, Ministry of Human and Minority Rights and Social Dialogue

- Closing remarks:

- Dragana Stefanović, Horizontal Facility Beneficiary Co-ordinator, Ministry of European Integration
- Silvija Panović Djurić, Horizontal Facility Focal Point, Delegation of the European Union to Serbia
- Janos Babity, Head of the Council of Europe Office in Belgrade

13:45 - 15:15 Lunch



