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Drafting Group

PROJECT OF RECOMMENDATION ON ROMA YOUTH PARTICIPATION

Second Meeting

8 June 2022 Online

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REPORT

List of participants

Introduction, opening and adoption of the agenda of the meeting

The meeting started with an introduction of the 10 participants (list appended at the end of this report). All of the participants joined online.

The following agenda was adopted and there were no comments for additional points:

- 1. Opening and adoption of the agenda of the meeting
- 2. Updates and feedback from recent meetings:
 - Bureaux of the youth statutory bodies
 - ADI-ROM
 - Other relevant meetings or processes
- 3. Presentation of the draft recommendation text by Margareta Matache
- 4. Feedback, amendments, proposals on:
 - Preamble
 - Operative sections
 - Appendix
- 5. Next steps and procedures for consultations
- 6. Preparation of the next meeting
- 7. Any other business

This first presential meeting of the Drafting Group (further referred to also as: DG) held in May 2022 aimed to draft the first version of the Recommendation on Roma Youth Participation. This online meeting of the Drafting Group aimed to express comments on the prepared draft of the Recommendation, before sending them for further consultations.

Updates and feedback from recent meetings

The DG was updated as for the state of affairs and presentation of the process of drafting the Recommendation at the Bureaux of the youth statutory bodies and ADI-ROM.

Presentation of the draft recommendation text by Margareta Matache

Consultant Margareta Matache presented the draft recommendation text and explained the connection to its shape with the outcomes of the first residential meeting of the DG in May.

Feedback, amendments, proposals on the Draft of Recommendation

The DG members expressed several comments on the proposed draft by emphasizing the need of concrete measures to be included in the Recommendations, as well as including the definitions in the Recommendation which would be consistent with the ones used in the Roma and Travellers Division. There was also a proposal to focus in the Preamble on the Council of Europe legal acquis as they include regulations for all the Council of Europe's member states (in opposition to the European Union's law which consider only some of the member states of the Council of Europe). There was a need shared to express in the Recommendation inclusion of particularly vulnerable groups within Roma youth. The DG members emphasized the importance of mentioning non-formal education in the Recommendation Draft.

DG members shared the understanding that measures defined in the Recommendation should apply to Travellers communities whenever the realities are the same. It was mentioned that the Council of Europe`s terminology is usually using both Roma and Travellers communities, however those groups do not always identifying with each other. The difficulty to make recommendation on Travellers without consulting this community was emphasized. The DG members agree to stick to the formal mandate of the Joint Council to draft the

Recommendation on Roma youth participation and not Roma and Travellers youth participation. It was also agreed to make reference to Travellers communities where relevant in the Recommendation.

There was a proposal expressed to include ideas with reference to double mainstreaming in more measures in the Recommendation. In the appendix part on measures combating racism and antigypsism the term "public servant" was changed to "civil servant". In the part concerning measures on education the term "Erasmus" was changed to "mobility projects".

Next steps and procedures for consultations

The DG agreed to for the following steps:

- Margareta Matache will send the draft of the Recommendation including the shared comments on 9 June 2022;
- all members of the DG will send their comments to the draft Recommendation to consultant Margareta Matache by 22 June 2022;
- by 1 July 2022 Magdalena Matache will send the final draft 2.0 of the Recommendation, which will be later sent for the consultations with the Legal Department and later on translated
- DG group proposed to run consultations till 5 September 2022 with the following bodies and institutions: participants of the seminar of Roma Youth Together, ADI Rom, Roma and Travellers Division, ECRI, Children Rights Division, Sexual Orientation and Gender Identity (SOGI) Unit.

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