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Roma Youth Together 2024

A seminar on Roma youth empowerment and expression for
the celebration of the International Roma Day

5 – 8 April 2024

European Youth Centre, Strasbourg



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PROGRAMME

ERAC
EUROPEAN ROMA
INSTITUTE FOR ARTS
AND CULTURE

 **Phiren Amenca**
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International Roma Youth Network



Thursday, 4 April

Arrival of the participants

19:00 Dinner

20:00 Welcome evening

Friday, 5 April - SHARE

08:30 Registration of all participants

09:30 Opening and introductions

- Tobias FLESSENKEMPER, Head of the Youth Department
- Eleni TSETSEKOU, Head of the Roma and Travellers Division
- Petr BANDA, Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe
- Carmen TANASIE, European Roma Grass Roots Organisations network

Programme and objectives of the seminar

Expectations and contributions

11:00 Break

11:30 Getting to know each other

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Sharing realities – strengthening Roma identities, culture and experiences

16:00 Break

16:30 Exploring the Council of Europe's work in relation to empowering and supporting Roma youth participation in democratic life:

- Rui GOMES, Education, Training and Cooperation Division, Youth Department
- Marina VASIC, Roma and Travellers Division
- Petr BANDA, Advisory Council on Youth of the Council of Europe

18:00 Reflection groups

19:00 Dinner

20:00 Storytelling evening

Saturday, 6 April - CREATE

09:30 Opening and programme of the day

Exploring the Recommendation on Roma youth participation

11:00 Break

11:30 Youth participation in Roma youth networks (with Ternype – Roma Youth Network, ERGO Network, Phiren Amenca and European Roma Institute for Arts and Culture)

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Creative workshops:

- Workshop 'Acting and expression', with Petro RUSANIENKO
- Workshop 'Music and singing', with Esther WRATSCHKO
- Workshop 'Media campaign - Roma Heroes', with Dezdemonia KOVACS
- Workshop 'Public speaking and speech writing', with Ioana SPATARU and Ronni GURWICZ
- Workshop 'Remembrance', with Klaudia VEIZAJ
- Workshop 'How to advocate', with Carmen TANASIE
- Workshop 'Human rights education with Roma youth', with Mila LUKIC

16:00 Break

16:30 Creative workshops - *continued*

18:00 Reflection groups

19:00 Dinner

20:30 Movie evening

Sunday, 7 April - CREATE

09:30 Opening and programme of the day

Actions and messages to strengthen Roma youth participation and empowerment

11:00 Break

11:30 Creative workshops – *continued*

13:00 Lunch

14:30 Sharing and celebrating results

Preparing for the celebration of the International Roma Day

16:00 Free time

Dinner out

Free evening

Monday, 8 April - CELEBRATE

09:30 Opening and programme of the day

Opportunities of the European Youth Foundation, with Margit BARNA, Project officer

Next steps with the Recommendation on Roma youth participation, with Rui GOMES

Final preparations to celebrate the International Roma Day together

11:00 Break

11:30 Preparing for an exchange with the Commission for Human Rights

Meeting and exchange with Michael O'FLAHERTY, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe

13:00 Celebrating International Roma Day:

Official addresses by:

- Michael O'FLAHERTY, Commissioner for Human Rights of the Council of Europe
- Jeanne BARSEGHIAN, Mayor of Strasbourg (tbc)
- Manuel DEMOUGEOT, Chair of the Committee of Experts on Roma and Travellers Issues (ADI-ROM)
- A representative of the seminar participants

Flower casting ceremony, with officials of the Council of Europe, local authorities in Strasbourg and Roma activists

14:00 Lunch

15:30 Debriefing of the ceremony

16:00 Follow up and next steps to support Roma youth empowerment and expression

16:45 Evaluation and closing of the programme

17:30 Free time

19:00 Reception dinner

20:00 Farewell party

Tuesday, 9 April

Departure of the participants