



TWINNING PROJECT

SUPPORT TO THE STRENGTHENING OF THE SERBIAN OMBUDSMAN

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Round table

STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATION AND NETWORKING AIMED AT ACHIEVING AND PROMOTING NATIONAL MINORITIES RIGHTS

Belgrade, 24 March 2010
Palace "Serbia", room 470/IV floor
2, Mihajla Pupina Boulevard, New Belgrade



PROGRAM

- 10.30 – 11.00 **Registration of participants**
- 11.00 – 11.10 **INTRODUCTORY SPEECH**
Mr. Goran Bašić, PhD., Deputy Ombudsman for National Minority Rights
- 11.10 – 11.20 **Twining project –strengthening capacities of Serbian Ombudsman**
Mr. Miltos Pavlou, Resident Twining Adviser
- 11.20 – 11.30 **Welcoming address**
Mr. Gianluca Vannini, Representative Delegation of the European Union to the Republic of Serbia

I

PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, CIVIL SOCIETY AND MINORITY SELF - GOVERNMENTS

Moderator *Professor Marijana Pajvančić, PhD*

- 11.30 – 11.45 **Competences and practice of the Serbian Ombudsman in the protection, realization and promotion of national minorities' rights**
Ms. Violeta Ćorić, Head of Department for National Minorities Rights of the Serbian Ombudsman
- 11.45 – 12.00 **Protection, realization and promotion of minority rights in the institutional-legal system of Serbia**
Mr. Aniko Muškinja Hajnrih, State Secretary, Ministry for Human and Minority Rights
- 12.00 – 12.15 **What kind of administration corresponds to minority self-governments in Serbia**
Mr. Slaven Bačić, PhD, President of the Croatian Cultural Society
- 12.15 – 12.30 **Civil society and national minorities' rights promotion**
Mr. Vlada Ilić, PhD, Center for Development of Civil Society
- 12.30 – 13.30 **Discussion**
- 13.30 – 14.30 **Lunch**

II

EXPERIENCES AND PRACTICE OF EU OMBUDSMEN IN PROTECTION OF NATIONAL MINORITIES RIGHTS

Moderator *Rajko Đurić, PhD*

- 14.30 – 14.45 **Minorities in Europe and protection of fundamental rights**
Mr Lambros Baltiotis, Senior Investigator of the Greek Ombudsman
- 14.45 – 15.00 **The Greek Ombudsman experience**
Mr Grigoris Tsioukas, Senior Investigator of the Greek Ombudsman
- 15.00 – 15.15 **Slovenian Ombudsman experience**
Mr Jernej Rovšek, Slovenian Deputy Ombudsman
- 15.15 – 16.00 *Discussion*
- 16.00 – 16.15 Coffee break

III

STRENGTHENING OF COOPERATION: MINORITY SELF-GOVERNMENTS – NGO – PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION - PROTECTOR OF CITIZENS IN ORDER TO ACHIEVE EFFECTIVE RIGHTS OF NATIONAL MINORITIES

Moderator *Goran Bašić, PhD*

- 16.15 – 16.30 **Public area and multiculturalism**
Miljenko Dereta, Civil initiatives
- 16.30 – 16.45 **How to achieve good governance in function of promoting national minority rights**
Marius Rosu, assistant Provincial secretary for Government, Prescription and National Minorities – Office for National Minorities
- 16.45 – 17.00 **Strengthening of control mechanisms and supervisions**
Eva Vukašinović, Deputy Provincial Ombudsman AP Vojvodina for national minorities' rights
- 17.00 – 17.15 **Strengthening of minorities self-governments and cultural autonomy through cooperation and partnership**
Branko Horvat, Croatian National Council (National Council of Croatian national minority)
- 17.15 – 18.00 *Discussion*