



Government of Romania

The Presidency of the Decade of Roma Inclusion
International Steering Committee Meeting

Bucharest, 17-18 November, 2005 - Hotel SOFITEL

A G E N D A

1st day, November 17th

9.00-9.30: Registration

9:30-11:00 Opening ceremony

Chaired by Ms. Mariea Ionescu, Acting Co-ordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion Program

Opening remarks and Keynote addresses

Mr. Calin Popescu Tariceanu, Prime Minister of Romania

Mr. George Soros, Chairman of Open Society Institute

Mr. Shigeo Katsu, Vice President World Bank's Europe and Central Asia region

Mrs. Renate Weber, Presidential Councillor, Presidency of Romania,

Mr. Marko Bela, State Minister, Government of Romania,

Mr. Anne de Ligne, Head of Phare Section, European Commission Delegation in Romania

Mrs. Soknan Han Jung, Resident representative of UNDP, Romania, UN Ambassador

Mr. Laszlo Teleki, State Secretary for Roma Affairs, Government of Hungary

11:00-11:30 Coffee Break

11:30-13:00 **Session 1: Updates by National Governmental Delegations on the implementation of the Decade action plans**

Moderator: Mr. Christian Bodewig, Human Development Sector Unit,
World Bank's Europe and Central Asia Region

Note –taker: NAR Secretariat

Bulgaria

Croatia

Czech Republic

FYR Macedonia

Hungary

Montenegro

Romania

**Serbia and Montenegro
Slovakia**

Delegations are kindly asked to limit their interventions to a maximum of 8-10 minutes

13:00-14:30 Lunch

14:30–16:00 Session 2: Roma civil society involvement within the Decade

Moderator: Mr. Andre Wilkens, Director Open Society Institute

Note –taker: NAR Secretariat

Presentations by:

- Mr. Gheorghe Raducanu, Board Member of the European Roma and Travellers Forum
- Young Roma Leaders

16:00-16:30 Coffee Break

16:30 - 18:00 Session 3. International support to the Decade

Moderator: Mr. Stephan Mueller - International Consultant for the Roma Decade

Note –taker: NAR Secretariat

Presentations by:

- Mr. Anthony Locket, Acting Head of Unit DG European Social Affaire, European Commission
- Annette Dixon, Director, Regional Operations, Office of the Vice President, World Bank's Europe and Central Asia Region
- Mrs. Eva Schwebel, Council of Europe Development Bank
- Mr. Andre Wilkens, Director Open Society Institute,
- Costel Bercus, Chair of the Roma Education Fund Board
- Nicolae Gheorghe, OSCE Roma and Sinti Contact Point for ODIHR
- Ms. Erika Adamova, Expert, DG III- Social Cohesion, Roma and Travelers, Council of Europe

18:00–19:30 **Dinner.**

20:00 Departure to the venue of Odeon Theatre.
Designated shuttles will to take the participants to the venue Odeon Theatre.

21:00 **Event offered with the greatest support of Romanian Government**
Sangre Ardiente - artistic performance on Roma history, culture and traditions,
Odeon Theatre (invitation only).

2nd day, November 18

10:00 – 11:30 Session 4: Adoption of the Terms of Reference (TOR)

Moderator: Mr. Stephan Mueller - International Consultant for the Roma Decade
Note –taker: NAR Secretariat

11:30-12:00 Coffee break

12:00 - 12:30 Presentation of the report "Advocacy Plan for study on the implementation of EU equality and non-discrimination norms in relation to Roma" by Mr. Valeriu Nicolae Deputy Director, European Roma Information Office

12:30 - 13:00 Presentation of the report "Current Attitudes Toward the Roma in Central Europe: A Report of Research with non-Roma and Roma Respondents" Nick van Praag, World Bank

13:00– 15:00 Lunch

15:30 – 17:00 PLENARY SESSION: Report from the media workshop Findings. Discussions.

Plenary session is intended to give both mass media representatives and Roma activists' delegations the opportunity to deliver their point of view. Designated introducers are kindly asked to limit their findings to a maximum of 15 minutes. A one hour debate will follow.

Moderator: Florin Moisa, Executive President, Resource Center for Roma Communities
Note –Taker: NAR Secretariat

Introducers:

- A representative of media professional
- A representative of Roma activists

17:00 – 17:15 Coffee Break

17:15 – 17: 45 Closing Session: final conclusions. Calendar of next steps within the Romanian Chairmanship of the Decade

Final statement by Ms. Mariea Ionescu, State Secretary President of National Agency for Roma, acting coordinator of the Decade of Roma Inclusion Initiative

18:30 - 19:00 Departure to the venue of the cocktail dinner.
Meeting point – in front of the hotel. Designated shuttles will to take the participants to the venue of the cocktail dinner.

19,00 Dinner

III. Young Roma Leaders

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