

**Institute for EastWest Studies  
Finnish Institute of International Affairs**

**Strategy Group for Strengthening Cooperation in Central and Eastern Europe  
'Modelling a Multi-Ethnic Society'**

*Workshop  
Riga, 27-28 June 1998*

Saturday, 27 June 1998

9.00-9.15: Arrival and Registration

9.15-9.30: Welcome and Opening Remarks

Dr. Renata Dwan, IEWS, Dr. Weijo Pitkänen, FIIA

**9.30-10.45: Modelling a Multi-Ethnic Society in an Integrating Europe**

Restrained Sovereignty: Multi-Ethnic State-Building in an Integrating Europe  
Dr. Klara Hallik, Institute of International and Social Studies, Estonia

Integrating minorities in a wider Europe: the role of international legal frameworks

María Amor Martín Estébanez, Wolfson College, University of Oxford

10.45-11.00: Coffee

**11.00-13.00: Building-Blocks for a Multi-Ethnic Society**

**Workshop I: Language and Education**

Education in Minority Languages: national responsibilities  
Baiba Kinstlere, Ministry of Education, Latvia

Kin-state support programmes for minority education:  
Sándor Petróczi, Office of Hungarians Abroad

Multi-Cultural Education: the EU dimension  
Cesare Onestini, European Commission, DG XXII

**Workshop II: Ethnic Participation in Political Life**

Minority Representation in National Government  
Jonathan Stein, Institute for EastWest Studies, Prague

Local Government Participation:

Coadministrative models: Mr. Boris Tsilevich, Riga City Council

Cooperative models: Koloman Brenner, National Self-Government of the German Minority in Hungary

*Workshops will reconvene in plenary for the presentation of rapporteurs' conclusions.*

13.00-14.30: Lunch

**14.30-16.00: Bilateral Frameworks for Communication and Coordination**

Bilateral agreements: The case of Hungary-Slovenia  
Peter Toš, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Slovenia

Negotiating relationships: The case of Estonia-Russia  
Pille Petersoo, Bureau of the Minister for Ethnic Affairs, Estonia

16.00-16.30: Tea

**16.30-18.00: 'Bottom-up' Frameworks**

Local authority coordination: the Carpathian Euroregion case  
Sándor Köles, Executive Director, Carpathian Euroregion

Cross-border communication: managing Schengen's challenges  
Slawomir Lodzinski, Parliamentary Centre for Studies and Analyzing, Poland

19.30: Dinner

Sunday 28 June

**9.00-11.00: Monitoring and Redress Procedures**

National Ombudsman and Minority Protection Offices  
Lajos Aáry-Tamás, Office of National and Ethnic Minorities, Hungary

International support for national protection systems  
Falk Lange, Delegation to the OSCE, Latvia

Public Opinion Monitoring  
Professor Richard Rose, University of Strathclyde

11.00-11.15: Coffee

**11.15-12.30: Final Discussion: Modelling the multi-ethnic society – a multi-level challenge**

Ivars Indáns, Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Latvia  
Savelina Danova, Human Rights Institute, Bulgaria