

Racism in Central/Eastern Europe and Beyond: Origins, Responses, Strategies

Open Society Institute
Budapest, Hungary
July 19, 2000, 9:00 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Preliminary Agenda

Part I – Introduction
(Moderator: J. Goldston)

- 9:00 a.m. Meeting Objectives and Participant Introductions
- 9:15 a.m. Current work of selected organisations in the field of anti-racism
European Union (B. Winkler) ! (5 national focal points (RAXON?))
United Nations (T. van Boven)
Open Society Institute (E. Martincz)

Part II - Sources/Origins/Characteristics of Racism in Central/Eastern Europe
(Moderator: A. Sajo)

- 10:00 The Rise of Extremism in Central and Eastern Europe: Why Now? (N. Muiznieks)
- 10:30 The Legacy of the Holocaust and its Relevance to the Contemporary Struggle against Racism (W. Dlugoborski)
- 11:00 Coffee Break
- 11:30 Anti-Semitism and Racism: Past and Present (A. Kovacs)
- 12:00 Racism and Political Power: To What Extent are They Linked? (A. Pelinka)
- 12:30 Racism and Xenophobia (S. Daru)
- 13:00 Lunch

Part III - Societal Responses to Racism
(Moderator: N. Muiznieks)

- 13:30 Confronting Racism in Europe: Is There a Strategy? Why or Why Not? (D. Petrova)
- 14:00 American Responses to Racism (T. Shaw)
- 14:30 South African Responses to Racism (K. Lengane)
- 15:00 Conceptualizing a Response: Anti-Discrimination versus Minority Protection (G. Andreescu)
- 15:30 Coffee Break

Part IV – Concretizing Strategies
(Moderator: to be announced)

- 15:45 Education (J. Smith)
- 16:10 Media: A Tool for Good and for Evil (G. Jankovic)
- 16:35 Monitoring Hate Speech: (I. Maryniak) *unrepresented in pop law?*
- 17:00 Beyond Law: The Limit and Possibility of Litigation and Law Reform (G. Bindman)
- 17:30 Conclusion