



Strasbourg, 7 December 2005

Consultation meeting with non-governmental organisations and national human rights institutions on their input to the monitoring of the Framework Convention for the Protection of National Minorities

AGENDA

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Palais de l'Europe, Room 14

*Organised by the Secretariat of the Framework Convention
for the Protection of National Minorities,
Directorate General of Human Rights,
Council of Europe*

09:00 – 12:30 **GENERAL SESSION**

09:00 Opening remarks: *Mr Antti Korkeakivi, Executive Secretary of the Secretariat of the Framework Convention*

Chairperson: Ms Dimitrina Petrova, European Roma Rights Centre, Budapest

- Stock-taking of NGOs' experience in using the Framework Convention: critical assessment of NGOs' involvement in the course of the 1st monitoring cycle and strengthening NGOs' input in the 2nd monitoring cycle

Speaker: Mr Boriss Cilevič, Baltic Insight, Riga

- Main substantive issues related to the protection of national minorities and NGOs' contribution to work on themes

Speaker: Mr Gabriel Andreescu, Ombudspersons for National Minorities, Bucharest

12:30–14:00 *Lunch*

14:00–18:00 **NGOS' AND NATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS INSTITUTIONS' ACTION**

Chairperson: Mr Alan Phillips, former First Vice-President of the Advisory Committee of the Framework Convention, London

- Implementation of the findings of the Advisory Committee by NGOs at domestic level: Exploring different ways of using the Framework Convention at domestic level

Speaker: Ms Aleksandra Vujić, Voivodina Center for Human Rights, Novi Sad

- How to increase the visibility of the Framework Convention: Media and campaign strategy at domestic and international levels and NGO needs of in terms of training

Speaker: Mr Chris Chapman, Minority Rights Group, London

17:45 Presentation of the conclusions of the consultation meeting
Ms Marjorie Farquharson, Independent Consultant