



Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting

NATIONAL MINORITIES, BRIDGE BUILDING AND INTEGRATION

10-11 November 2016

Hofburg, Vienna

AGENDA

Day 1 10 November 2016

13:00 – 15:00 side events (tbc)

15:00 – 16:00 OPENING SESSION

Opening remarks:

Ambassador Eberhard Pohl, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Germany to the OSCE

Mr. Henrik Villadsen, Director of the OSCE Office of the High Commissioner on National Minorities

Ms. Katarzyna Jarosiewicz-Wargan, First Deputy Director of the OSCE Office for Democratic Institutions and Human Rights

Keynote Speech:

Prof. Rainer Hofmann, Professor of Constitutional Law, Public International Law and European Law, Goethe University Frankfurt am Main

16:00 – 18:00 SESSION I: Legal mechanisms for bridge building across States

Introducers:

Prof. Jens Woelk, Professor of Law, University of Trento & Senior Researcher, European Academy of Bozen/Bolzano

Ms. Ana Nikolov, Director of Planning Balkans, Central European Service for Cross-Border Initiatives & Coordinator for Balkans, Association of European Border Regions

Mr. Milan Bošnjak, Special Adviser for Croatian National Minorities Issues Abroad & Vice Co-Chair of the Intergovernmental Joint Committee for the Protection of Minorities between the Republic of Croatia and the Republic of Hungary

Mr. Ferenc Kalmár, Ministerial Commissioner Responsible for Developing Neighbourhood Policy of Hungary & Co-Chair of the Intergovernmental Joint Committees for the Protection of Minorities in Hungary

Moderator:

Mr. Walter Kemp, Visiting Fellow, Institute for Human Sciences

18:00 – 19:00 Reception hosted by the German OSCE Chairmanship

Day 2 **11 November 2016**

10:00 – 12:00 **SESSION II: Promoting the bridge building role of national minority issues across various policy areas**

Introducers:

Ms. Zora Popova, Senior Research Associate & Head of Cluster Culture and Diversity, European Centre for Minority Issues

Ms. Maria Golubeva, Education Policy Consultant, Member of Access Lab & Owner of RHC Consulting

Ms. Alessandra Argenti Tremul, Journalist, RTV Slovenija, R-tv Koper Capodistria

Moderator:

Prof. Joshua Castellino, Dean of the School of Law, Middlesex University London

12:00 – 14:00 Lunch / side events (tbc)

14:00 – 16:00 **SESSION III: Empowering civil society to build bridges on the grassroots level**

Introducers:

Ms. Nina Bagdasarova, Associate Professor, American University of Central Asia

Ms. Britta Tästensen, President, Youth of European Nationalities

Ms. Alev Tuğberk, Co-President, Association for Historical Dialogue and Research

Mr. Loizos Loukaidis, Educational Programmes Officer, Association for Historical Dialogue and Research

Moderator:

Mr. Giorgi Sordia, Director, Centre for Studies of Ethnicity and Multiculturalism

16:00 – 16:30 Break

16:30 – 17:30 **CLOSING SESSION**
Rapports from the working sessions
Comments from the floor

Closing remarks:

Mr. Henrik Villadsen, Director of the OSCE Office of the High Commissioner on National Minorities

Ambassador Eberhard Pohl, Chairperson of the OSCE Permanent Council, Permanent Representative of Germany to the OSCE

17.30 Closing of the meeting