

Set My People Free Intervention

Recommendations for the Human dimension priorities for the incoming 2015 OSCE Chairmanship.

Working-session 13 Tuesday, September 30 and Working-session 16, Wednesday October 1

During these two working sessions I was very discouraged by what some of the Islamic NGOs and Turkey shared.

I was surprised that not even one touched the issue of the Islamic State and the recruitment of jihadists from Europe as the jihadists are from Muslim communities. Over 3000 were recruited from Europe. The jihadists are committing atrocities not only in the Middle East but also in EU countries.

The focus was very much on the issue of Islamophobia in spite that Europe has laws to protect freedom, equality and justice. If any citizen is discriminated against there are existing laws to get their rights. We have to realize there are no special privileges for any groups or religion in the EU. We are equal in front of the law.

We all have to work to stop the jihadists' atrocities. But they have even greater responsibilities as the jihadists are from their communities.

Recommendations: I call on the OSCE during the Serbian chairmanship to work on stopping the recruitment of Jihadist and their radicalization in Europe as one of the priorities of 2015.