

Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting

EDUCATION OF PERSONS BELONGING TO NATIONAL MINORITIES: INTEGRATION AND EQUALITY 22-23 July, 2010 Hofburg, Vienna

To civil society

Please find attached the agenda and general guidelines relating to the upcoming OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Education of Persons Belonging to National Minorities: Integration and Equality. This Meeting will take place in Vienna from 22 to 23 July 2010.

Additional information relevant to this Meeting can be found on ODIHR at http://www.osce.org/odihr

The meeting will address issues of education of persons belonging to national minorities by focusing on the following three areas:

- Facilitating Integrated Education in Schools
- Access to Higher Education
- Adult Education: Enhancing Minority Participation

The Meeting will provide an important forum for dialogue and exchange of views and good practices among all key stakeholders involved in the work of education of persons belonging to national minorities. The conference will gather government officials, OSCE delegations, civil society, regional and international organizations, and is therefore seen as an important forum for discussing cross-cutting issues.

Civil society representatives whose activities directly relate to the topic of the Meeting and wish to attend are requested to register by **Wednesday**, **14 July 2010**. We encourage participants to register on-line at http://meetings.odihr.pl if at all possible.

Civil society representatives are invited to forward this information to other relevant actors in the given field.

Please note that participants can pick up their passes for the meeting venue in advance on Thursday, 22 July 2010 from 9.00 at the Hofburg Congress Centre in the main entrance hall. Participants may display information materials on the tables in the lobby of the main meeting room. They may also distribute documents during the Meeting by giving one copy of each document (maximum 3 pages in length) to staff of the Document Distribution Centre. Participants are encouraged to intervene during

the Working Sessions while limiting their statements to the specific issues at hand thereby contributing to a genuine discussion.

Unfortunately, the ODIHR is not in a position to provide any financial assistance to participate in the Meeting. For your convenience please find attached a list of hotels in Vienna. Participants are kindly requested to make their own hotel arrangements. For further information please contact Ms. Anna Sierant at Anna.Sierant@odihr.pl or at tel.: +48 22 52 00 627 or Mr. Ireneusz Stepinski at ireneusz.stepinski@odihr.pl or at tel: +48 22 52 00 658.