

Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting

PROMOTION OF PLURALISM IN NEW MEDIA

7-8 July, 2011 Hofburg, Vienna

To civil society

Please find attached the agenda and general guidelines relating to the upcoming OSCE Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Promotion of Pluralism in New Media. This Meeting will take place in Vienna from the 7 to 8 of July 2011.

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

The meeting will address the topic of new media through the following three sessions:

- Challenges and opportunities for new media to foster pluralism
- Regulatory aspects of digital switch-over
- Internet regulation in the OSCE area: Introduction of the first OSCE Internet matrix

The Supplementary Human Dimension Meeting on Promotion of Pluralism in New Media will provide an opportunity for dialogue and exchange of views between participating States, media and civil society actors on opportunities and challenges faced by new media in promotion of pluralism.

Civil society representatives whose activities directly relate to the topic of the Meeting and wish to attend are requested to register on-line at http://meetings.odihr.pl by Wednesday, 22 June 2011. Civil society representatives are invited to forward this information to other relevant actors in the given field.

Please note that registered participants can pick up their badges for the meeting venue on Thursday, 7 July 2011 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, neither the Office of the RFOM nor the ODIHR are 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 more information please contact:

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